



## **Des Plaines Valley Region**

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### **DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION (DVR) BOARD OF CONTROL DECEMBER 9, 2009**

#### **MINUTES**

Dr. Attila J. Weninger called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Board of Control to order at 9:47 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 in Room B204/210 at Triton College. Voting members present: Chairman Dr. Attila J. Weninger (Oak Park & River Forest Dist. 200), Secretary Dr. Kathryn Robbins (Leyden Dist. 212), Dr. David Bonnette (Riverside-Brookfield Dist. 208), Dr. Nettie Collins-Hart (Proviso Dist. 209), Dr. Douglas Rudig (Elmwood Park Dist. 401), Dr. Patricia Granados (Triton College, ex-officio), and Ms. Jennifer Buteyn represented Dr. Robert Lupo (Ridgewood Dist. 234). Also present: Dr. Cheryl Antonich (Triton College), Dr. Anne Cothran (DVR), Ms. Karen Schmidt (DVR), Ms. Mary-Rita Moore (Triton College) and Ms. Denise Yaneck (DVR).

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Dr. Rudig moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to approve minutes of the November 4, 2009 meeting. Dr. Collins-Hart was absent during voting. All ayes; motion carried.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MINUTES**

The Board received minutes of the September 24, 2009 and November 5, 2009 Administrative Council meetings.

#### **BOARD BILLS**

Dr. Bonnette moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to approve payment of DVR bills. Roll call vote.

Ms. Buteyn – aye  
Dr. Robbins – aye  
Dr. Bonnette – aye  
Dr. Collins-Hart – absent during voting  
Dr. Rudig – aye  
Dr. Weninger – aye

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

The Board does not meet in January. Dr. Rudig moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to authorize the DVR office to process payment for bills in January, with ratification of those bills at the February 2010 meeting. Roll call vote.

Ms. Buteyn – aye  
Dr. Robbins – aye  
Dr. Bonnette – aye  
Dr. Collins-Hart – absent during voting  
Dr. Rudig – aye  
Dr. Weninger – aye

## **DVR EQUIPMENT DISPOSITION LIST**

A technician from Oak Park & River Forest High School determined the condition and market value of two laptops and one desktop owned by DVR which will no longer be needed by the DVR office. Districts interested in acquiring any of these items must notify Dr. Cothran by January 22, 2010 so she can proceed with the process outlined in DVR Board Policy #3215. The Board agreed that if no districts are interested the equipment can be sold outright.

## **FY09 AUDIT**

The FY09 audit will be finalized by the end of December and copies will be presented at the February 2010 meeting. Dr. Cothran reported that the auditor had a preliminary meeting with DVR. The auditor will attend the February 2010 meeting to address any questions.

## **FISCAL UPDATE**

Dr. Cothran updated the Board on DVR's fiscal status. DVR's actual cash reserve as of June 30, 2009 was \$126,602.

## **DOCUMENTATION ON PHASE OUT OF ARTICULATION WITH TRITON**

Dr. Cothran provided the Board with a draft letter from Triton's Dr. Angela Latham, to clarify the issue of transitioning from articulated credit to dual credit. Board members reviewed the letter and provided recommendations for revision so that it accurately documents the agreement to eliminate articulated credit. Dr. Weninger recited the revised statements and will forward the recommended changes to Dr. Cothran. Articulated credit will sunset with the class of 2013. During the transition, schools must individually handle how they will inform students who were eligible and/or earned articulated credit prior to the sunset deadline. DVR has one articulation agreement with College of DuPage, and that agreement will remain in place.

## **TRANSFERABILITY OF COURSES**

Ms. Moore discussed Triton's transfer services and how students can access transfer information through Triton's web site. She distributed and briefly reviewed information about the U.Select web site which lists community college courses that can transfer to four-year institutions. Not all states are using U.Select yet. Dr. Cothran demonstrated how to navigate through the web site and presented information on the Illinois Articulation Initiative. She compiled a chart displaying how Triton courses can transfer to various Universities in Illinois. The chart was made available to Board members, but cautioned that this particular document is for their information only because the information does not reflect all limitations or allowances cited by each university, and can and does become quickly outdated. Dr. Cothran's PowerPoint demonstrating U.Select can be provided to the schools.

## **ARTICULATION HISTORY AND MEASURES OF STUDENT SUCCESS**

Dr. Cothran provided a PowerPoint presentation on aspects of tuition costs and student success. Highlights of the presentation included indicators for degree completion; cost comparison between Triton and other local colleges; financial issues; percentage of parents with degrees; lack of effectiveness of articulation; dual credit status in the other Cook County EFE regions; and how dual credit can facilitate degree completion. At the request of the Board, Dr. Cothran will forward the PowerPoint to Board members and will expand the data in the presentation to include each city that feeds into the DVR high schools.

## **OCTOBER 2010 SCP WORKSHOP CONTENT AND DURATION**

Developing a Curriculum (DACUM) has been proposed as the focus of the October 2010 School/College Partnership Workshop. Dr. Rebecca Woodhull presented DACUM at the Partnership meeting immediately prior to the Board of Control meeting. The Oakton College and Harper College regions are undergoing this process. Dr. Weninger, Dr. Robbins, Dr.

Collins-Hart, Dr. Granados and Ms. Buteyn support the DACUM focus for the workshop. Dr. Rudig suggested getting information from representatives in the regions that are using DACUM. It was agreed that Dr. Rudig and Dr. Bonnette will discuss this topic with their Administrative Council representatives and will then contact Dr. Cothran regarding whether they support DACUM for the workshop. If DACUM is the chosen topic, we would need to do prep work well in advance of October, including selecting and training facilitators.

### **OCTOBER 2010 SCP WORKSHOP VENUE OPTIONS**

Dr. Cothran reported that she looked into thirteen potential sites for the School/College Partnership Workshop. The dates will be October 5-6, 2010. With consideration for meeting space, Internet connectivity, networking options and other factors, she presented four possible sites. Also included were total cost estimates for food and facilities based on a one-day event for 84 people. Speaker/presenter/facilitator fees would be additional costs. The potential sites are Concordia, Indigo Hotel, Brookfield Zoo, and Indian Lakes. At Triton, the meeting space available is B204/210 with very limited networking options. If the workshop is in fact scheduled for two days, a question was raised as to whether the days need to be successive. Comments indicated that attendance would be better with successive days. With DACUM as the focus, it is anticipated that more tangible results would be achieved in two days as opposed to one. Dr. Weninger voiced his support for a two-day event at the Indigo; other Board members voiced agreement. Dr. Weninger summarized Board consent to develop a two-day workshop, at the Indigo Hotel, to work out the needs for training facilitators, and to bring formal proposals to the February 2010 meeting.

Prior literature in the fall showed the cost to train eight DACUM facilitators is \$5,000 and \$750 for each additional facilitator. Dr. Cothran noted that the costs were since increased, but no literature was available. Dr. Collins-Hart requested training one facilitator per school. Dr. Weninger stated that he will work with Dr. Cothran on the DACUM facilitator training cost.

### **STUDENT AND STAFF INTEGRATED LEARNING EXPERIENCE (SSILE)**

Dr. Cothran stated that the Administrative Council recommends transforming the SSILE into a program that involves industry partnerships to provide teachers with paid work related hours to maintain their certification. This change does not include student participation. CTEI funds that have supported the SSILE program would be used for this new program. By winter break, Administrative Council members will provide Dr. Cothran with lists of instructors who need work related hours. Dr. Weninger voiced disappointment that the new program eliminates student participation. Dr. Bonnette and Dr. Robbins commented that students continue to have other experiences available to them such as field trips to business and industry. The Board supports the concept of the industry partnership program. Dr. Robbins moved, Dr. Rudig seconded the motion for creation of a proposal for a Faculty/Industry Integrated Learning Experience. All ayes; motion carried.

### **ISBE ENROLLMENT REIMBURSEMENT**

The Board was provided information on ISBE's potential move to a web based claim system and a system of reimbursing orientation and training level credits at one rate, currently being estimated at \$26.00 per approved enrollment seat. This will cause a financial impact on schools. As more information becomes available, updates will be presented to the Board.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Collins-Hart moved, Dr. Granados seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 a.m. All ayes; motion carried.