BOARD OF CONTROL DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION MAY 30, 2007

MINUTES

Mr. Jack Baldermann called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Board of Control to order at 10:37 a.m. on Wednesday, May 30, 2007 in the Foxboro Room at the Carleton Hotel, Oak Park, IL. Voting members present: Chairman Mr. Jack Baldermann, Vice Chairman Dr. Stanley Fields, Secretary Dr. Douglas Rudig, Dr. Susan Bridge, Dr. Robert Lupo, Dr. Kathryn Robbins, and Dr. Patricia Granados (ex-officio). Also present: Ms. Jonita Ellis, Ms. Karen Schmidt, Mr. Dan Heintz, Mr. Don Lund, Ms. Denise Yaneck, Ms. Debra Baness-King, Dr. Ovid Wong, Ms. Cheryl Antonich, Dr. Leslie Roberts, Dr. Judy Jozaitis, Ms. Dawn Martinez, Ms. Angelee Johns, Dr. Ileana Rodriguez, and Ms. Lorette Dodt.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lupo moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion to approve minutes of the April 18, 2007 meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

VOTING ITEM: BOARD BILLS

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

Dr. Fields – aye
Dr. Rudig – aye
Dr. Robbins – aye
Dr. Bridge – aye
Dr. Baldermann – aye

VOTING ITEM: JUNE/JULY BILLS

The Board's next meeting is in August. Dr. Bridge moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to approve the DVR office to process payment for bills received in June and July. Roll call vote.

Dr. Fields – aye
Dr. Rudig – aye
Dr. Robbins – aye
Dr. Bridge – aye
Dr. Baldermann – aye

VOTING ITEM: ADOPTION OF TENTATIVE FY08 JOINT AGREEMENT BUDGET

The Joint Agreement Budget reflects the budgets approved by the Board of Control at its April 18, 2007 meeting. Dr. Fields moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion to adopt the FY08 budget. Roll call vote.

Dr. Fields – aye
Dr. Rudig – aye
Dr. Robbins – aye
Dr. Bridge – aye
Dr. Baldermann – aye

FY08 MEETING DATES

The following meeting dates were proposed for the 2007-08 school year: August 8, September 19, October 2 (workshop), November 7, December 5, February 6, March 5, April 16, and May 28. No meetings will be held in January or July. Dr. Robbins moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion to approve the dates as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

FY08 BOARD OF CONTROL OFFICERS

Per Board Policy #8300, Board officers are elected based on district rotation. Officers for the 2007-08 school year, effective July 1, 2007 are Dr. Stanley Fields, Chairman, Dr. Douglas Rudig, Vice Chairman, and Dr. Attila Weninger, Secretary. Dr. Fields moved, Dr. Rudig seconded the motion to approve the FY08 officers. All ayes; motion carried.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT REVIEW/UPDATES

The Family & Consumer Science committee updated the outline for Region course H171 – Health Care Careers I. The outline change was made for articulation purposes. The Family & Consumer Science committee reviewed the Fashion Merchandising and Foods curriculum and no changes were proposed. The Administrative Council approved the review and/or update of these three articulation agreements. Dr. Bridge moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to approve the articulation agreements. All ayes; motion carried.

SCHOOL/COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP WORKSHOP

Ms. Schmidt reported that DVR has contracted with Dr. William Coplin to serve as keynote presenter and facilitator for the October 2nd School/College Partnership Workshop. Copies of his book, "Ten Things Employers Want You to Learn in College," were made available to the Board. Administrative Council members will submit nominations for Partnership Awards.

STAFF INTEGRATED TEAM EXPERIENCE

The SITE program will take place June 12-14. Forty-eight applications were received. Currently 31 persons are scheduled to participate. The program includes an opening workshop, business site visits, and a second workshop on the final day.

DOCUMENTED GRANT EXPENDITURES

Board members received the status of documented grant expenditures to-date for their respective districts.

DVR FISCAL AUDIT

Board members were informed that DVR had been notified by the Proviso business manager that the audit firm of Crowe Chizek and Company is increasing DVR's audit fee from \$4,000 for FY06 to \$12,600 for FY07. Additionally, the audit fee for FY08 will increase to \$14,500. According to the audit firm, the increase in audit fees is due in main part to the issuance of new Statement of Auditing Standards 104-111. DVR received an invoice from Crowe Chizek and Company in December, 2006 for \$4,000 for the FY06 audit, which DVR paid. Board members received a copy of the invoice. Proviso's business manager now states that DVR owes an additional \$8,000 for the FY06 audit. The costs of DVR's audits have ranged from \$2,000 to \$4,000. Proviso's business manager has requested that Ms. Schmidt respond by June 1st to confirm whether DVR accepts or rejects the bid from Crowe Chizek and Company.

Ms. Schmidt reported that she inquired of fellow EFE system directors regarding their audit costs. Regions comparable to DVR pay between \$3,200 and \$6,000. Dr. Fields stated that Crowe Chizek and Company is the only firm that submitted a bid in response to Proviso's request for bids. Ms. Schmidt stated that Tony Boras, representative of Crowe Chizek and Company, did not provide her with specifics as to why the audit fee is expected to increase so greatly. Mr. Heintz noted that Proviso needs to ensure the bid is strictly for the DVR regional office financial records since the individual districts obtain their own audits.

At 11:53 a.m., Mr. Baldermann moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion that the Board move to closed session. All ayes; motion carried.

At 12:02 p.m., Dr. Robbins moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion to reconvene in open session.

Dr. Robbins moved, Dr. Bridge seconded the motion that DVR seek an auditor other than Crowe, Chizek and Company for the DVR audit. Roll call vote.

Dr. Fields – aye
Dr. Rudig – aye
Dr. Robbins – aye
Dr. Bridge – aye
Dr. Baldermann – aye

Dr. Bridge moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion directing Ms. Schmidt to write a letter to Proviso's business manager, stating that the DVR board refuses to pay any additional invoices for the FY06 audit. Roll call vote.

Dr. Fields – aye
Dr. Rudig – aye
Dr. Robbins – aye
Dr. Bridge – aye

Mr. Baldermann – aye

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Bridge moved, Dr. Lupo seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 p.m. All ayes; motion carried.