BOARD OF CONTROL DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION SEPTEMBER 19, 2007

MINUTES

Mr. Robert Libka called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Board of Control to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 in the Triton College Board Room. Voting members present: Chairman Mr. Robert Libka, Vice Chairman Dr. Douglas Rudig, Secretary Dr. Attila Weninger, Dr. Robert Lupo, and Dr. Kathryn Robbins. Voting members absent: Mr. Jack Baldermann and Dr. Patricia Granados (exofficio). Also present: Ms. Jonita Ellis, Ms. Karen Schmidt, Mr. Don Lund, and Ms. Denise Yaneck.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lupo moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to approve minutes of the August 8, 2007 meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

VOTING ITEM: BOARD BILLS

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

Dr. Rudig – aye Dr. Weninger – aye Dr. Lupo – aye Dr. Robbins – aye Mr. Libka – aye

Since the Board does not have a meeting in October, Dr. Weninger moved, Dr. Robbins seconded the motion to authorize the DVR office to process payment for bills received in October. Roll call vote.

Dr. Rudig – aye Dr. Weninger – aye Dr. Lupo – aye Dr. Robbins – aye Mr. Libka – aye

DATA ANALYSIS

A consultant has provided an analysis of data gathered through the Illinois Student Information System. Board members received the regional composite as well as their respective district's analysis. This is a preliminary step in identifying seamless transitions between the high schools and college.

SCHOOL/COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP WORKSHOP

Ms. Schmidt reported that approximately 80 persons are expected to attend the October 2nd workshop. Keynote speaker Dr. Bill Coplin's topic is "The 50/50 Principle: How public schools can prevent formal schooling from getting in the way of our students' education." The workshop will include breakout sessions with Dr. Coplin as facilitator, a presentation on the Workplace Readiness Certificate by WorkKeys representative John Nelson, Partnership awards, and a time for colleagues to network. Elementary superintendents have been invited to attend.

ILLINOIS DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

Board members received information on the Dollars for Scholars initiative from Nicor Gas. The Board requested that Ms. Schmidt schedule a Nicor representative to provide a presentation at the November 7th meeting.

UPDATES

Ms. Schmidt reported on the following.

Articulation: Approximately 1,100 certificates were sent to students from Leyden, Elmwood Park, Ridgewood, and Riverside-Brookfield.

DVR fact brochure: Administrative Council members received brochures to distribute in their districts. Elementary superintendents received copies as well. The fact brochure is intended as an informational and marketing tool.

Program committees: This year's chairpersons are Gloria Currins (Leyden), Business Education committee; Val Pozen (Leyden), Family & Consumer Science committee; Joe Stolz (Triton), Industrial Technology committee; and Marijana Uremovic (Leyden), Student Services committee. Chairpersons are in the process of scheduling meeting dates for this school year.

Administrative Council inservice: All districts were represented at the September 6th meeting. An Administrative Council manual was previously developed, and updated manuals were distributed. Grants: There are no updates at this time.

HEALTH CAREERS CAMP

An application for Health Careers Camp coordinator has been developed and will be distributed at next week's Administrative Council meeting. Applications will be due in October.

OTHER

Mr. Libka stated that Proviso may discontinue its partnership with Ms. Roberts Academy due to various reasons including cost factors. He posed the idea of schools jointly transporting students to the cosmetology program at College of DuPage.

Dr. Weninger raised the question as to whether the schools in the Region have ever considered establishing a career center. Citing the benefits of a career center, he suggested visiting the Technology Center of DuPage (TCD). The Board agreed that the November 7th meeting will be held as scheduled at Triton at 8:00 a.m. Following the meeting, Board members will convene at TCD at 10:00 a.m. for a tour. Dr. Weninger will make arrangements with TCD.

Per the Intergovernmental Agreement, a Board of Control member may designate a representative to attend a meeting in his or her place, if the Board member is unable to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Lupo moved, Dr. Weninger seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 a.m. All ayes; motion carried.