

DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION
BOARD OF CONTROL
DECEMBER 14, 2015

MINUTES

Dr. Steven Isoye called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Board of Control to order at 8:13 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 2015 in Room B204/210 at Triton College. Voting members present: Chairperson Dr. Steven Isoye (Oak Park & River Forest Dist. 200), Vice Chairperson Dr. Jennifer Kelsall (Ridgewood Dist. 234), Secretary Ms. Mary-Rita Moore (Triton), Dr. Kevin Skinkis (Riverside-Brookfield Dist. 208). Voting members absent: Dr. Kevin Anderson (Elmwood Park Dist. 401), Dr. Nettie Collins-Hart (Proviso Dist. 209), Dr. Nick Polyak (Leyden Dist. 212). Also present: Dr. Anne Cothran (DVR), Ms. Cheryl Antonich (Triton), Ms. Denise Yaneck (DVR).

The Board congratulated Ms. Moore on being named President of Triton College.

CONSENT ITEMS

The following were presented for approval.

- A. November 16, 2015 minutes
- B. Ratification of Perkins payments
- C. Ratification of copier payment
- D. Ratification of payment to Hyatt
- E. Revised contract with Hyatt for the October 21, 2016 workshop
- F. Current bills

Dr. Isoye moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to approve the six consent items as listed. Roll call vote.

Dr. Kelsall – aye

Ms. Moore – aye

Dr. Skinkis – aye

Dr. Isoye – aye

INFORMATION

The Board received minutes of the Administrative Council's November 5, 2015 meeting.

OTHER

With regard to Dr. Collins-Hart's resignation as Superintendent of Proviso District 209 (effective at the end of this fiscal year), the Board will plan a lunch in her honor. The Board considered starting the May meeting at 10:00 a.m. with lunch to follow, if Dr. Collins-Hart's schedule will accommodate the change.

RECESS

At 8:17 a.m. Ms. Moore moved, Dr. Skinkis seconded the motion for a recess. All ayes; motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:32 a.m. Dr. Isoye moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to return to open session. All ayes; motion carried.

FY16 SCHOOL/COLLEGE ALLIANCE WORKSHOP DEBRIEF

Ms. Amy Pratt, representative from the Northwestern University Office of Stem Education Partnerships (OSEP), was present as a follow-up to the October 23rd workshop. She requested the Board's feedback on the following questions.

Question: What was the strongest/best part of the workshop?

Examples of feedback: This was the most meaningful School/College Alliance Workshop to-date for our staff; Dr. Lopez's resources were helpful; Northwestern representatives' presence at the wrap-up session provided structure, guidance and focus; guiding questions were key for schools to use; Dr. Lopez's presentation provided real focus and a good foundation for the day; content was more aligned to the high schools but there was a gap for the community college attendees.

Question: What was the weakest part of the workshop?

Examples of feedback: Novel Engineering applied only to a specific group of teachers, but was anticipated to be more of an integrated approach; breakouts were cut short; wanted more details in the introductory presentation by Dr. Jona regarding what OSEP had planned for the day.

Question: If you could change something about the workshop, what would it be?

Examples of feedback: More connection with the community college; more time, how the time is utilized/structured; provide attendees with prep work (question as to whether they would invest the time in preparation prior to the workshop).

Question: What are ideas for professional development the schools want?

Examples of feedback: Professional development for administrators as there is a lot of changeover in time management/structure as positions are being combined; overall professional practices.

Ms. Pratt shared comments from the OSEP team. She noted Dr. Cothran's work with OSEP in gathering information from schools in advance, which greatly aided OSEP's preparation in designing the workshop.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Skinkis moved, Ms. Moore seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m. All ayes; motion carried.