



**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2020 MEETING OF THE
DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION BOARD OF CONTROL**

Members Present:	Dr. Leah Gauthier (Elmwood Park Dist. 401), Dr. James L. Henderson (Proviso Dist. 209), Dr. Jennifer Kelsall (Ridgewood Dist. 234), Ms. Mary-Rita Moore (Triton Dist. 504), Dr. Nick Polyak (Leyden Dist. 212), Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams (Oak Park & River Forest Dist. 200), Dr. Kevin Skinkis (Riverside-Brookfield Dist. 208)
Member(s) Absent:	None
Guest(s) Present:	Mr. Paul Jensen (Triton Dist. 504), Mr. Ric Segovia (Triton Dist. 504)
Staff:	Dr. Anne Cothran (DVR), Ms. Lori Kwon (DVR)

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Gauthier called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Board of Control to order at 8:19 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 2020 via Zoom video conference.

FY20 & FY21 CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approval of November 16, 2020 and November 30, 2020 BOC Meeting Minutes
- B. Ratification of FY21 Local Payments
- C. Ratification of FY21 Perkins Payments
- D. Ratification of FY21 Prior Year Education Career Pathway Payments
- E. Approval to Pay Bills and Ratify in January Meeting
- F. FY21 Expense/Revenue Reports

Dr. Pruitt-Adams moved, Ms. Moore seconded the motion to approve the consent items as presented. Roll call vote. Ayes: Dr. Gauthier, Dr. Henderson, Dr. Kelsall, Ms. Moore, Dr. Pruitt-Adams, Dr. Skinkis. None opposed. Motion carried.

VOTING ITEMS

Dr. Pruitt-Adams moved, Dr. Skinkis seconded the motion to approve the DVR Director contract for the period beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 for Mr. Michael Kuhn.

Roll call vote. Ayes: Dr. Gauthier, Dr. Henderson, Dr. Kelsall, Ms. Moore, Dr. Pruitt-Adams, Dr. Skinkis. None opposed. Motion carried.

Dr. Gauthier offered to pen a press release for the announcement of the new DVR Director which the Board will officially announce this week. Dr. Gauthier said she would notify Mr. Kuhn regarding the Board's approval of his contract.

APPROVAL ITEMS

A. Second Reading – Changes to Intergovernmental Agreement:

Dr. Pruitt-Adams moved, Dr. Henderson seconded the motion to approve the Second Reading of the Intergovernmental Agreement including Title 23, Part 254 code changes and the DVR organizational chart. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Career & Technical Student Organization (CTSO) as Course Requirement:

Dr. Kelsall, Dr. Pruitt-Adams, and Dr. Henderson advised that they would each speak with their own district about internal requirements for CTSO relationship to school clubs. As a future topic for discussion, President Moore suggested team competitions as a possible collaboration between Triton and interested district high schools.

B. Triton College on Transitional English and Math:

Dean Segovia announced that Transitional Math and English is now called Transitional Instruction. He presented an ICCB Implementation Overview to the Board and explained all four stages of PWR Transitional Math. The implementation process is currently at stage three, Implementation. At this time, Transitional Math is being taught at every district high school. In November of 2020, Triton College received state portability for STEM, Quantitative Literacy and Statistics and Technical Math courses. Triton liaison has updated all district high school Math instructors regarding this state approval. A local advisory committee consisting of a representative from Ridgewood, Proviso, and Riverside-Brookfield High Schools and two members from Triton oversee competencies and syllabi. Dean Segovia praised district high school Math teachers for their strong leadership and continued support for the last four years in their concerted effort and collaboration. When students return to classrooms, stage four of the implementation plan, Assessment, will begin. In conjunction with a district high school, Triton is working to develop a website dedicated to Transitional Math. This central location will contain information about Transitional Math including its benefits and Q&As for high school students. Next semester, Dean Segovia plans to meet with district high schools' advisers and or counselors to discuss transcription including portability coding and electronic collection of student grades. Student transcripts should include the course grade, portability code, and the date that the course was completed. Students who have completed Transitional Math courses in high school with a grade of C or better shown in their transcripts will receive guaranteed placement in credit math courses at Triton without having to take a math placement test. Currently, 30 out of 48 Illinois Community Colleges have been approved for Transitional Math. The state plans to implement the remaining 18 colleges by Fall of 2022.

About 130 students from Ridgewood and Leyden High Schools are now taking part in Transitional English. Dr. Kelsall spoke about a Ridgewood High School's AP student who benefited from taking Transitional English in last year's pilot program, an experience for the school that helped to better identify and prepare students with their articulation needs.

The Board thanked Dean Segovia for all his hard work and achievements including his leadership for being a statewide developmental and implementation model. President Moore stated that in pursuit of college readiness, Triton will communicate course options and availability to incoming high school students and their parents.

C. Triton College Dual Credit Programs on Campus – Cohort Development:

Per the Board's request to find out student interest, Dr. Cothran reported Health/CNA, Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement, Microcomputer A+ and Auto programs. Mr. Jensen addressed the Board's questions regarding whether FY22 student commitment numbers in these four program areas are available at this time and if dual credit classes may be canceled due to low enrollment. He explained that discussions between Triton and district high schools about next year's enrollment would usually take place sometime in January and February. A few weeks ago, Mr. Jensen sent Triton's Fall 2021 open course listings to the DVR Administrative Council members to share with their school counselors for registering students. Also, President Moore and Mr. Jensen offered to contact the districts to explore new cohort opportunities. Dr. Kelsall thanked President Moore and Mr. Jensen for their accommodations to the high schools' demands with respect to student registration timeline.

D. Current Status of District Encumbered Funds:

Board members will follow up with the Admin Council members about the current status of district grant expenditure and encumbered funds.

Dr. Polyak joined the meeting at 8:56 a.m.

E. Redistribution of Regional Grant Funds:

DVR will have money to redistribute from unused bus and substitute funds cancelled due to Covid-19. The Board expressed interest in the possibility of reimbursing Triton incurred expenses for hosting this year's virtual program visits. Dr. Cothran will contact ISBE to find out if Triton's expenses are eligible for reimbursement and advise the Board.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. DVR Criminal Justice Report for ISBE:

The Board offered no comment or questions.

B. October 4, 2021 School College Alliance Workshop:

The Board asked for and received confirmation that DVR secured a contract at the Hyatt Lodge for the event.

C. CCRI Data Collection for School Report Cards:

The Board offered no comment or questions.

OTHER

A. DVR Administrative Council Minutes of September 24, 2020 and October 15, 2020: The Board offered no comment or questions.

B. President Moore asked when the district Superintendents expect to return students and employees to school buildings.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pruitt-Adams moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 a.m. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Leah Gauthier, Chairman
DVR Board of Control

Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams, Secretary
DVR Board of Control