

# MINUTES OF THE MARCH 15, 2021 MEETING OF THE DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION BOARD OF CONTROL

Members Present: Dr. Leah Gauthier (Elmwood Park Dist. 401), Dr. Jennifer Kelsall (Ridgewood

Dist. 234), Ms. Mary-Rita Moore (Triton Dist. 504), Dr. Nick Polyak (Leyden

Dist. 212), Dr. Kevin Skinkis (Riverside-Brookfield Dist. 208)

Member(s) Absent: Dr. James L. Henderson (Proviso Dist. 209), Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams (Oak

Park & River Forest Dist. 200)

**Guest(s) Present:** Mr. Paul Jensen (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 8:15 a.m. on Monday, March 15, 2021 via Zoom video conference.

### FY20 & FY21 CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approval of February 22, 2021 BOC Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of FY21 Prior Year Local Bill
- C. Ratification of FY21 Local Bills
- D. Ratification of FY21 Perkins Payments
- E. Ratification of FY21 CTEI Payments
- F. Ratification of FY21 CTEI Regional Payment
- G. Approval to Pay Bills and Ratify in April Meeting
- H. FY21 Expense/Revenue Reports

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

#### **VOTING ITEMS**

### A. Redistribution of Unused FY21 CTEI and Perkins Grant Funds:

Dr. Kelsall and Dr. Polyak specified the requests from their Districts to use reallocated funds.

Dr. Kelsall moved, Dr. Skinkis seconded the motion to approve the redistribution of regional funds in the total amount of \$6,951.00 (\$103.00 from Elmwood Park and \$6,848.00 from DVR) divided evenly between Leyden High School and Ridgewood High School. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

# **B.** Best Practices Videographer Contract:

Dr. Skinkis moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to approve Mr. Brandon Delgado's contract from 3/15/2021 to 6/2/2021 for \$4,592.73. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL ITEMS**

#### A. FY22 Virtual Triton Campus Visits:

Dr. Skinkis moved, Dr. Polyak seconded the amended motion to approve for DVR to budget for in-person Triton Campus visits in the FY22 grants as a first priority with the option of virtual visits as a backup secondary option. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

#### B. FY22 Grant Calculations upon Receiving Budget from ISBE:

Dr. Skinkis moved, Ms. Moore seconded the motion to approve for DVR to proceed with the FY22 grant calculations upon receipt of budget information from ISBE. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

## C. New ESSER/CARES Submission for Additional Tutoring:

Dr. Skinkis moved, Dr. Polyak seconded the motion to approve for DVR to proceed with filing for the FY22 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant based on an agreement to be reached between Mr. Eric Lasky of Ridgewood High School and Mr. Neil Posmer of Elmwood Park High School. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

#### D. Innovation and or Career Development Additional Funds, If Released:

Dr. Kelsall moved, Dr. Polyak seconded the motion to approve for DVR to proceed with Innovation and or Career Development Grants if and when additional funds are released by ISBE. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

#### E. Distribution of Updated Stakeholder Surveys for FY22 CLNA:

Dr. Skinkis moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to approve for DVR to proceed with posting the surveys on school websites. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **DISCUSSION**

# A. Board Officer Rotation for FY22:

The Board discussed the sequence of Board members serving in DVR Officer positions and the cycle of rotation. In the Board meeting on April 19, 2021, decisions will be made for FY22.

# **B.** Fall Workshop Participant Lists:

Dr. Cothran requested the names of the Fall SCA Workshop participants in order to schedule the breakout sessions. The Board in turn asked for the number of available seats per district. President Moore asked for the Board's advice on how she may help the High School Districts during the workshop breakout sessions. Additionally, Mr. Jensen said he will contact the High School Districts to gather their perspectives as well. Dr. Kelsall offered to speak with the participants from Triton prior to the workshop to inform them about the progress made by High Schools in College and Career Readiness.

#### **C.** ISBE RFP for EFE Evaluation:

Dr. Cothran shared the requirements of ISBE's RFP for the upcoming evaluation of EFEs which is expected to begin in June or July of 2021.

#### **D.** Illinois Perkins V Data Indicators:

Dr. Cothran expressed her concerns regarding the current legislation that allows for penalties on districts not meeting at least 90% of state benchmarks for Perkins Performance Indicators (PI). The Board received the latest PI data provided by ISBE, which was based on SAT test scores prior to the pandemic. Dr. Cothran recommended the Board to weigh in on the performance target discussions at ISBE as the states decide whether to use the "unanticipated circumstances" to request lowering PI required levels. ISBE received over 500 comments to the proposed legislation of Title 23 (Education and Cultural Resources), Part 256 (Career and Technical Education). As a result, Part 256 has not moved forward for ISBE Board approval yet.

#### OTHER

#### A. DVR Administrative Council February 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

The Board offered no comment or questions.

- **B.** President Moore stated that the Triton College athletes are receiving the Shield Illinois Saliva Tests.
- **C.** Dr. Kelsall asked the High School Board members if they would be interested in offering a regional program for remote learning to District students. The Board will further discuss in a separate meeting organized by Dr. Kelsall.

# **ADJOURN**MENT

Dr. Skinkis moved, Dr. Kelsall seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 a.m. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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Dr. Leah Gauthier, Chairman	Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams, Secretary	
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