

# MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 MEETING OF THE DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

**Members Present:** Dr. Jennifer Davidson (Triton Dist. 504), Ms. Pamela Harmon (Triton Dist. 504), Mr.

Frank Holthouse (Leyden Dist. 212), Mr. Michael Kuhn (DVR), Dr. Julie Lam (Oak Park & River Forest Dist. 200), Dr. Eric Lasky (Ridgewood Dist. 234), Mr. Neil Posmer (Elmwood Park Dist. 401), Dr. Kathy Richard-Andrews (Proviso Dist. 209), Mr. David

Weishaar (Riverside-Brookfield Dist. 208)

**Member(s) Absent:** None

**Staff:** Ms. Lori Kwon (DVR)

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Kuhn called the meeting of the Des Plaines Valley Region Administrative Council to order at 8:27 a.m. on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at East Leyden High School in the Little Theater.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Weishaar moved, Mr. Posmer seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2021 meeting. None opposed. Motion carried.

# FY22 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES, TIMES & LOCATIONS

The shared document of meeting locations is updated with addresses.

## **REGIONAL ACTIVITIES LOGISTICS PLANNING**

**A. Triton Program Visits**: Regarding a survey conducted by DVR for the 2020 virtual Triton Program visits, Mr. Kuhn reported that 80% of respondents were students from Ridgewood High School. Student feedback was positive overall and the virtual program visits were successful. The Council discussed the importance of reaching both freshmen and seniors in high school. A Council member stated she would like to explore Early Middle College partnerships with Triton College. Some members proposed prerecorded videos to offer unlimited access to students and separate programs for seniors later in the school year. The Council suggested different start times: Afternoon at 2:00 p.m. or between 2:15 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. or between 2:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. or early evening at 7:00 p.m.

**B.** October 4, 2021 School/College Alliance Workshop: Mr. Kuhn said the equipment assignments will be emailed to Council members.

### **DISCUSSION**

- **A.** Ed Career Pathway Grant by Dr. Eric Lasky: Dr. Lasky stated this year marks the third year for partnering in the Education Career Pathway grant. He asked if any district would be interested in joining the partnership and offered to schedule the meeting dates.
- **B.** Leyden's Open House for Manufacturing by Mr. Frank Holthouse: Mr. Holthouse shared the dates of Leyden's Trades Fair for September 23, 2021 and Career Fair for November 3, 2021.
- **C. CTE Teacher Certification Guidelines and Slides**: Mr. Kuhn said he will present these again to the Council in the November Admin Council meeting and added that David Osborne and Kristina Valentine will oversee CTE Teacher Certification, as presented in the slides.
- D. Illinois Career Pathways Dictionary: No comment or questions.
- **E.** Work-Based Learning Manual: A Council member commented that she found the WBL manual to be helpful.
- **F. Future Teacher conference**: No comment or questions.



- **G.** Agriculture Biology Curriculum Development: Mr. Kuhn encouraged the Council to share the presentation with district members. The pilot program will begin next year, as presented in the link.
- H. Education Systems Center: Mr. Kuhn conveyed that Dr. Jason Klein is a state board-approved consultant.
- I. Illinois High School to Careers: No comment or questions.
- **J. I-WIN**: Mr. Kuhn noted the organization, Illinois Work-Based Learning Innovation Network (I-WIN), maintains prior meeting presentations and links on their website, as presented.
- K. New Vendor for Labor Market/Student Data: Mr. Kuhn identified the topic to be discussed in the future.

## **OTHER**

- **A. Approved CIPs**: No comment or questions.
- **B. Dual Credit**: The Council reflected on Triton's Dual Credit application processes, the vacant Dual Credit Coordinator position and college course matches. A member of the Council indicated that he was in the final step of the interview process but never received any notification from Triton's Dual Credit office. Discussion ensued about possible prearranged placement and advance commitment of Dual Credit students between high school districts and Triton for the future. Mr. Kuhn asked the Council for Programs of interest offered by Triton.

Adjourned at 10:03 a.m.