

BLUE RIVER CAREER PROGRAMS SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 30, 2019

The Blue River Career Programs' Governing Board met in Special Session, Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the board meeting room of the career center, 801 St. Joseph Street, Shelbyville.

Board members present were David Finkel, Vince Sanders, and Mark Nigh. Superintendents present were David Adams and Paula Maurer. Also present were Dennis Harrold, Corporation Attorney; Sandy Hensley, Corporation Treasurer; and Steve Shaw, Director.

Paula Maurer voted in the absence of Travis Beck.

Recognize Guests and Ask for comments from the Audience

Lucinda Robinson, EMS/Criminal Justice Instructor

Action Items

Cancel the Teaching Contract of Lucinda Robinson Due to RIF

Mr. Shaw recommended that the contract of Ms. Robinson be cancelled due to a RIF situation based on projected enrollment and the need for financial efficiency in the best interest of the school. Ms. Robinson was given due process in consideration of cancelling her contract. Mark Nigh asked if we could possibly start it back again if we decided to bring it back. Mr. Shaw stated that we still have the equipment. The needed space would depend on the availability at the time. Mr. Finkel noted that only the EMS portion of Ms. Robinson's contract was being considered for cancellation. She also teaches Criminal Justice ½ day. That program is being offered for 2019-2020. Mr. Nigh asked about the number needed to keep EMS as a ½ day program. Mr. Shaw stated that there is not a hard and fast rule on the number needed, but that 10 students has been considered at least an informal number to consider in determining whether to continue a program. Other factors enter into the consideration. Vince Sanders moved to cancel Ms. Robinson's contract for EMS effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Paula Maurer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Robinson then added comments regarding running the adult EMT program and her concerns about that program going forward. BRCP has contracted with her in the past to run the program. Mr. Shaw had commented that we still would be able to have an adult program without the high school program in place.

Cancel the Teaching Contract of Ward Buckner Due to RIF

Mr. Buckner did not request a hearing regarding cancellation of his contract to instruct the ITM program. Mr. Shaw recommended cancellation of his contract based on projected enrollment and financial efficiency. Mr. Shaw explained that we need to align with the workforce needs in Shelby County in a more formal approach. He stated that he has met with Ivy Tech twice and that there is potential to partner with them for a locally created pathway for 2020-2021 in a maintenance and automation type program. The goal would be to offer enough dual credits to allow students to earn a Workforce Alignment Certificate. Mark Nigh moved to cancel the teaching contract of Mr. Buckner. Paula Maurer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2019-2020 BRCP Programs and Sections

Mr. Shaw presented the 2019-2020 BRCP programs and sections for board approval. He explained that the cancellation of the two teacher contracts affected the programs and sections offered next year. He presented the programs and sections to reflect the elimination of EMS and ITM. Construction Trades was recommended to be an all-day program due to increased projected enrollment. Safety is a factor with too many students in one section. He stated that we still are in the process of finding a lot on which to build a house next year. This past year we partnered with Habitat for Humanity to build a house. Mark Nigh moved to approve the programs and sections as presented. Vince Sander seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Other

None.

Comments from board members

None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is 6/11/19 at 12:00.