

**BLUE RIVER CAREER PROGRAMS  
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
August 11, 2020**

The Blue River Career Programs Governing Board met in regular session on **Tuesday, August 11, 2020 12:00 p.m.** in the boardroom at the career center, 801 St. Joseph Street, Shelbyville.

Board members present were David Finkel, Travis Beck, Vince Sanders and Mark Nigh. Superintendents present were Mary Harper, Todd Hitchcock, Chris Hoke and Curt Chase. Also present were Dennis Harrold, Corporation Attorney; Steve Shaw, Director; and Sandy Hensley, Corporation Treasurer.

**Recognize Guests and Ask for Comments from the Audience**

Guests present were Anna Tungate, *Addison Times* and Ross Flint, *The Shelbyville News*.

David Finkel welcomed Curt Chase, superintendent of Southwestern Schools, to the BRCP governing board.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Meeting**

Minutes of the July 14, 2020 board meeting were presented for approval. Mark Nigh made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Travis Beck seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Claims and Payrolls**

Prewritten claims 329-343, regular claims 344-389, and payroll claims for 7/15/20, 7/22/20 and 8/5/20 were presented for approval. Travis Beck moved to approve the claims and payrolls as presented. Mark Nigh seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL**

**Hire Tanya Popper Abell as Health Sciences I Instructor and Dalton Bousum as Welding Instructor**

Mr. Shaw presented the resume of Tanya Popper Abell as the Health Sciences I instructor. Tanya comes to us as an RN from Major Health Partners. She has her bachelor's of science in nursing. She will be replacing Susie Hagerty who retired mid-summer.

Mr. Shaw presented the resume of Dalton Bousum as the Welding instructor. He has an associate's degree and technical certificate in welding which qualifies him to be certified as a dual credit instructor. He will be replacing Ben Fox who resigned at the end of the school year to take a welding instructor position in his home town.

Travis Beck made a motion to approve the hiring of Tanya Popper Abell and Dalton Bousum as presented. Vince Sanders seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The question if there were any other open positions was raised. Mr. Shaw stated that there were no open positions at this time.

### **Permission to Enter into Formal Collective Bargaining Negotiations with the BRCPTA**

Steve Shaw requested permission to enter into formal negotiations beginning September 15, 2020 with the BRCPTA. Mary Harper will be joining the negotiations team with Steve. Mark Nigh moved to give Steve Shaw permission as requested. Travis Beck seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Public Hearing Date/Time for Collective Bargaining Process**

Steve Shaw requested that a public hearing be set for September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm in the board room to take testimony regarding teacher compensation prior to the start of the collective bargaining process. He and the association president, Jodi Traub, will be in attendance. Travis Beck made a motion to approve the hearing date of September 16<sup>th</sup>, as requested. Mark Nigh seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Other**

None presented.

## **REPORTS**

### **Fund Report, Bank Reconciliation & Fund Trend Report**

Sandy Hensley presented the fund report and bank reconciliation report, along with the updated Fund Trend Report.

### **BRCP 2020-2021 Enrollment Report**

Mr. Shaw reviewed the enrollment report, which provided a breakdown of students by school and program. Current enrollment is at 346. This time last

year was 374. Criminal Justice enrollments are up (almost double). Due to Covid-19, there are no internships at MHP, Rushville or Hancock hospitals for our work-based learning students. This has resulted in a drop in enrollments. Morristown and Triton Central enrollments are up, while the other schools enrollments are down. Our enrollment has been affected by the virtual learning option, as that prevents students from being able to attend the career center. Last year Count Day enrollment was 366.

### **Covid-19 Protocol Update**

Mr. Shaw shared with the board the steps that we are taking and the protocols in place in dealing with Covid-19. All the information is listed in the Re-Entry Plan. We are spray fogging each classroom between the morning and afternoon sessions, and again before the morning session begins. Students and staff are required to wear masks while in transit. Masks are required for students sitting side-by-side at shared desks in classrooms. Students who receive instruction in a lab environment, such as auto tech and diesel tech, have been provided face shields to wear in lieu of face masks. Each classroom has a supply of hand sanitizer. Break area furniture has been removed along with vendor machine contents. Breaks are taken in classrooms or outside, if possible. We are getting touchless water dispensers installed for use with water bottles or cups. We did receive a supply of state provided masks and hand sanitizer that was made available to CTE schools.

### **Other**

#### **Change the September Board Meeting Date**

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Mr. Shaw requested that the board meeting scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> be delayed to allow more time for preparing payables and financial reports. The meeting was changed to September 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

### **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

None

### **OTHER**

None

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25.

**Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.**