

**Heartland Region  
Board of Control  
September 19, 2018  
RCC Schilling Salon**

The meeting was called to order by Brett Robinson at 8:43 a.m.

**Present:**

Damian Jones – Argenta Oreana  
DeAnn Heck – Central A&M  
Brett Robinson – Cerro Gordo  
John Ahlemeyer – Maroa Forsyth  
Dan Brue - Meridian  
Travis Roundcount – Mt. Zion  
Bob Meadows – Sangamon Valley  
Kristen Kendrick-Weikle – Warrensburg-Latham  
Bret Hitchings – Heartland Director  
Kathy Roe – Heartland Region  
Kathy Horath – Macon Piatt Special Education

**Absent:**

Paul Fregeau – Decatur Public Schools  
Amanda Geary – DeLand Weldon

Kristen Kendrick-Weikle moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting as presented. Dan Brue seconded the motion. Voice vote. All in favor.

**Finance Report**

Bret Hitchings presented the expenditures for July and August. Dee Heck moved to approve the purchases totaling \$4,604.74 from July and purchases totaling \$32,313.80 from August as submitted, Damian Jones seconded the motion. Voice vote. All in favor.

**Closed Session**

None needed

**Director's Report**

Bret Hitchings gave information about Major Clarity. Heartland is hosting a Major Clarity virtual training on September 28 following a DPS counselor meeting. The meeting is for high school and middle school principals, assistant principals, counselors and teachers who want to learn more about career exploration using Major Clarity.

Bret will be visiting each of the schools beginning next month talking to sophomores giving information about the classes offered at Tech. These visits are in preparation for the tours that we will have on October 23, 24 and 25. In addition, Bret will be touching base with the principals and CTE teachers also as part of his EFE responsibility.

Manufacturing Day is scheduled for October 18 and 19. We are partnering with Richland and Ryan McCrady from Economic Development Corporation meant to inspire and recruit the next generation of manufacturers. We have received tremendous feedback from this event. Our enrollment in engineering classes has greatly

increased. On October 19, Tech Academy students get the opportunity to tour ADM, Caterpillar and CCI and talk to representatives in the industry.

Tech Academy Open House will be November 15, 5-7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Old Business**


None

**New Business**


None

The next meeting date will be Thursday, October 18, 2018, at 8:45 a.m. at NSEC 121.

Dan Brue moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 a.m. Dee Heck seconded the motion. Voice vote, all in favor.

  
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