Heartland Region Board of Control Millikin University Commons Building August 24, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Travis Roundcount.

Present:

Damian Jones – Argenta Oreana
Sacha Young – Central A&M
Emily Weidner – Cerro Gordo
Michael Tresnak – DeLand Weldon
Mike Curry – Decatur Public Schools
Adam Ibbotson – Maroa Forsyth
Shane Gordon – Meridian
Travis Roundcount – Mt. Zion
Johnathan Field – Sangamon Valley
Cheryl Warner – Warrensburg-Latham
Bret Hitchings – Heartland Director

Absent:

None

10:47 Meeting called to Order

Michael Tresnak moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting as presented. Travis Roundcount seconded the motion. Voice vote called. All in favor. Motion carried.

Finance Report

Approval of Purchases will be done at September Board Meeting.

Audit Update: everything is on track to be complete within the next few months. Annual Statement of Affairs for previous three fiscal years will be posted as soon as the audits are complete.

Closed Session

None

Personnel

Bret Hitchings asked for approval of the employment recommendations as presented. Damian Jones moved to approve. Shane Gordon seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 10 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent.

Director's Report

Bret Hitchings commented that we are receiving an increase in funding for CTEI money; Perkins funding is down a little from FY 24.

Bret advised of the new CTE Funding Formula. Previously, ISBE has done counts based on the level of courses. ISBE has updated the funding formula by putting emphasis on concentrators rather than participants. Bret explained the difference between concentrators and participants and how ISBE funds each.

Bret has sent updated State Course Codes for each HTA program to every school's SIS Coordinators. Please make sure your schools have HTA classes coded properly.

Bret advised that every EFE will get a Leadership Allocation in their budget. This is based on the median principal salary in the area.

Bret stated that enrollment is currently at 560 students for Fall Semester.

Other Business

Bret shared that the schools were billed for fall tuition at a rate of \$1700 instead of the previously set amount of \$1750. Travis Roundcount clarified that the presented HTA budget is based on a tuition rate of \$1700 and by approving the budget, we are also approving the tuition rate of \$1700 which is a reduction of \$50 per student per year.

Michael Tresnak moved to adopt the FY 25 Joint Agreement Budget for the Heartland EFE Region #390. Emily Weidner seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 10 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent.

Adam Ibbotson moved to adopt the FY 25 Joint Agreement Budget for the Heartland Technical Academy. Johnathan Field seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 10 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent.

New Business

The next meeting date will be Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 8:45 a.m., at the Macon Piatt Regional Office of Education.

Emily Weidner moved to adjourn the meeting. Adam Ibbotson seconded the motion. Voice vote, all in favor.

Travis Roundcount adjourns the meetings at 11:04 a.m.

Board of Control Chairperson

Board of Control Secretary Signature

Board of Control Recording Secretary Signature

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