

CENTRAL ILLINOIS VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING
June 12, 2024

The Regular meeting of the Board of Control of Central IL Vocational Education Cooperative, was held on June 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

President S. O’Laughlin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were: J. Gauwitz, M. Miller, D. Johnson, J. Streit, D. Johnson, and R. Bardwell. Also in attendance were Richard Wherley and Kelly Stoecker.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda - A motion to approve as follows: the minutes of the regular Board of Control meeting held on August 9, 2023, Bills between August 8, 2023 - June 7, 2024, and the Financial Report as presented was made by R. Bardwell and seconded by M. Miller. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve System Director Richard Wherley’s contract for FY 25 - A motion to approve Richard Wherley as the System Director for FY 25 with a FY 25 salary of \$26,000 for a maximum of 500 hours was made by J. Gauwitz and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Administrative Assistant Kelly Stoecker’s contract for FY 25 - A motion to approve Administrative Assistant Kelly Stoecker salary for FY 25 with a 4% increase for a FY 25 salary of \$24,258 was made by M. Miller and seconded by R. Bardwell. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve CIVEC Policy Manual - A motion to approve the updated CIVEC Policy Manual as presented was made by D. Johnson and seconded by J. Streit. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve CIVEC Intergovernmental Agreement - A motion to approve the updated CIVEC Intergovernmental Agreement as presented was made by J. Gauwitz and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Local Match Request - A motion to approve FY 25 Local Match request as presented was made by R. Bardwell and seconded by M. Miller. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Gorenz Audit Contract - A motion to approve Gorenz Audit Contract was made by J. Gauwitz and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Adoption Resolution for TRS Supplemental Savings Plan - A motion to approve Adoption Resolution for TRS Supplemental Savings Plan as presented was made by J. Gauwitz and seconded by J. Streit. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Reports, Updates, & Information Items - System Director presented the following:

A. FY 24 Perkins and CTEI Grant Balances to Date: Mrs. Stoecker informed the Board that the Perkins grant has been zeroed out. The CTEI grant has two more reimbursement checks to write next month and we are waiting on the final payment from CTEI to send the final Course Funding checks to Metamora Township High School and Eureka High School then it will too be zeroed out.

B. Teacher Salary Subgrant Reimbursements: Mr. Wherley informed the Board that all of the schools have been paid in full except Eureka and Metamora. They have been paid half and when the final payment from CTEI comes in this month they will be paid their final payment.

C. Allotted vs. Spent: Mr. Wherley presented to the Board an allotted vs. spent sheet to show how the funds have been spent over the past three years.

D: FY 25 Perkins/CTEI Grant Allocation letter from ISBE: Mr. Wherley presented to the Board the letter from Illinois State Board of Education regarding allocations this year. As stated they will no longer be sending a sheet of the dollar breakdown for each grant to be given to each District. The EFE System Director needs to operate as a consortia.

E. FY 25 Perkins/CTEI Grant Allocation Update: Mr. Wherley presented the Board with their allocations breakdown for each grant for FY 25. He informed them that the totals each District will receive will be similar to the amounts they received last year. He informed them that the State expects to have additional funds to send out and once we receive any the office will update the Principals.

F. FY 25 Admin Budget: Mr. Wherley presented the Board with the projected administration budget and where the funds would be spent.

G. Joint Agreement Budget Publication Update: The System Director updated the Board the Joint Agreement Budget for FY 25 will be updated once released and get published. The Board agreed to an August meeting.

H. Allowable Grant Fund use: Mr. Wherley presented the Board with an update on items that are allowable/unallowable with grant funds.

I. Other Discussion: Mr. Wherley asked the Board if there was any other discussion or comments and there were none.

Accomplishments and Goals:

A. Mr. Wherley informed the Board that we received approval for the Eureka Business Program of Study which includes CEO

B. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he has completed CLNA.

C. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he has completed the Consolidated Grant Application. He let them know that we will be meeting with our Principal Consultant from ISBE to go over the application and that he will correct anything they see that needs correcting.

D. Mr. Wherley updated the Board to inform them he toured all eight buildings twice and he liked how the teachers were showing him a lot of the different items that they received from the grants.

E. Mr. Wherley informed the board that CIVEC hosted the FCS content meeting for the Tri County EFES this year.

F. Mr. Wherley updated the Board to let them know he attended Skills USA, CEO trade show, Workplace Skills Expo, ICC Ag Expo, ICC Manufacturing Days, Career Spark, and the ICC Health Career Expo. He told them that if they have any CTE students with an IEP to encourage them to go to the Workplace Skills Expo, it would be a great experience for them.

G. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he attended two Student Services Meetings and hosted one at VIVO/ Barn III/Eureka College.

H. Mr. Wherley informed the Board he met with EDC, Jr. Achievement, IMA, ICC, Emerging Workforce, and ISAC this year.

I. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he attended the ICATE state conference and will be attending the Connections conference next week.

Goals in FY25 - Mr. Wherley presented his goals for FY 25. He would like the schools to be able to offer Internships for Students, increase the number of students earning certifications/CTE dual credit, and have more externships for Instructors. He would also like to be able to put more money towards programs in need, another CEO in the area, and a smooth transition to a new EFE Director in the near future. Mr. O'laughlin asked the Board when to announce looking for a new EFE Director and it was agreed to start looking in January of 2025.

The next Board of Control meeting will be held in August: August 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. after the WCSEA meeting is the tentative date and time.

Motion to adjourn – A motion was made by D. Johnson and seconded by M. Miller to adjourn the meeting at 9.38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Wherley