

**EASTERN ILLINOIS BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**  
Fall Meeting held at Big Things in a Small Town Workshop in Casey, IL  
October 12, 2017

**Meet and Greet** Amy Mayhall distributed tourism items from the town of Casey.

**Presentation & Tour of Big Things in a Small Town**

Jim Bolin, Creator of Big Things in a Small Town, told the story of a family vacation in Colorado that inspired him to create Big Things in a Small Town. He discussed the process of building the big things and how it has marketed Casey, IL to the rest of the world. He mentioned that nine of the big things are in the Guinness Book of World Records. His goal is to have 12 big things in the record book. His future plans are for a teeter totter, a golf club, and a barbershop pole. Jim said the number of visitors to Casey has increased significantly and his hope is that other parts of the town (gift shops, restaurants, hotels, etc.) will be developed and make Casey even more of a tourist destination.

**Roll Call taken around the room**

- Julia Morrisey – Cerro Gordo High School
- Angie Niebrugge – Charleston High School
- Tracy Morgan – Cumberland
- Julie Chadd – Eastern Illinois University
- Alicia Westjohn – Flora High School
- Lisa Huddlestun – Kansas High School
- Kathy Daugherty – Lake Land College
- Lisa Earp – Lake Land College
- Cindy Phipps – Lake Land College
- Jon Lebold – Lake Land College
- Marcy Satterwhite – Lake Land College
- Kay Endsley – Neoga Schools
- Amie Mayhall – Olney Central College
- Shasta Bennett – Olney Central College

**Business Meeting**

At 6:30 p.m., President Marcy Satterwhite called the meeting to order.

Marcy Satterwhite distributed CPDU's to members that requested them for attending the presentation. Evaluations of tonight's meeting were distributed and collected as well.

Amie Mayhall distributed fliers about the new Teacher of the Year nomination process.

**Minutes** – On behalf of Heather Seaton, Cindy Phipps distributed Spring 2017 minutes for approval. Dr. Julie Chadd moved to accept the minutes; Amie Mayhall seconded; motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Cindy Phipps, Treasurer, distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report which reported an opening balance of \$1,504.98 and a closing balance of \$1,400.48.

### **School Reports**

Kathy Daugherty, EIBEA Vice President, asked for a representative of each school to share positive things that are happening at their schools now that Illinois has passed a budget. Their responses are as follows:

**Cerro Gordo High School** – Julia Morrissey reported that her school district has passed a new building fund.

**Cumberland High School** - Tracy Morgan reported that she has received funding to attend the annual IBEA Conference in November.

**Kansas High School** – Lisa Huddlestun reported that there are more opportunities for field trips. She feels that there is more overall support for career and technical education.

**Flora High School** – Alicia Westjohn reported that she is now teaching nine business classes, and she is at the high school full-time. The school district is considering hiring another full-time CTE teacher.

**Charleston High School** – Angie Niebrugge reported that the school still employs two full-time CTE teachers. No cuts were needed.

**Eastern Illinois University** – Dr. Julie Chadd reported that there are currently three Business Education majors, up from two students last year. EIU has a new provost who is very supportive of career and technical education.

**Lake Land College** – Lisa Earp reported that the Business Division has received tentative approval to move to Office 2016 next year. Cindy Phipps reported they are using a new textbook for Financial Accounting which utilizes an online homework system and frees up class time for more active learning activities.

**Neoga High School** – Kay Endsley reported many new technology upgrades including a new computer lab with 29 new computers. The district plans to hire a new K-8 technology teacher.

**Olney Central College** – Amie Mayhall reported that OCC is getting many new capital items and technology upgrades. She is partnering with another instructor to provide workshops that will help and encourage instructors to use video technology in their online courses. Amie is taking a part-time sabbatical to help produce a movie. The college has been very supportive.

**IBEA Report** – Jon Lebold reminded members of the upcoming IBEA annual conference to be held November 8-10 in Springfield, IL. He encouraged members to attend and to sign up to serve as session chairs.

### **New Business and Announcements**

Kathy Daugherty announced that EIBEA is in charge of table decorations for the luncheon at the IBEA annual conference in 2018. She encouraged members to think of ideas for decorations. She also encouraged members to help with the 2018 conference in any way they can.

### **Spring 2018 Meeting Location**

The spring 2018 meeting location will be tentatively held at Hodgson Mill in Effingham, IL on March 22, 2018.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting ended at 6:52 p.m. Amie Mayhall made a motion; Kay Endsley seconded.