

EASTERN ILLINOIS BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
Fall Meeting
November 13, 2008

The fall meeting of EIBEA was held at the Thelma Keller Convention Center, Effingham, Illinois, on Thursday, November 13, 2008.

Business Meeting

President Karen Drage welcomed the members at 7:30 p.m. President Drage proposed a new policy for discussion pertaining to hosting spring meetings. She would call the roster of schools and a representative from each school could have the option of hosting a meeting or passing to the next school on the list. Janet Henry made a motion that we adopt this method for discussing the hosting of spring meetings; Linda Branch seconded the motion; motion carried.

Karen recognized Sheryl Brummer and Julie Chadd for the awards they had received at the IBEA luncheon. Karen announced that the NBEA conference will be held in Chicago this year and that she is the hospitality director, and asked for volunteers to join the hospitality committee. Linda Branch stated that she serves as chair of the decorations committee and also asked for volunteers for this committee.

Vice-President Bea Abernathy called the roll of schools—28 members were present from the following schools:

Charleston High School	3
Clay City High School	1
Dieterich High School	1
Eastern Illinois University	7
Newton Community High School	3
Lake Land College	5
Lincoln Trail College	2
Neoga High School	1
Oblong High School	1
Olney Central College	2
West Richland High School	1
Retired EIU Professor	1

Spring minutes were distributed, and Kathy Black asked for corrections or additions. Amie Mayhall moved to approve the minutes. Marcy Satterwhite seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Sarah Brooks, treasurer, reported an opening balance of \$1,117.56 with \$146 being received from dues, and \$160.45 paid out for printing and mailing fall invitations, with a balance remaining of \$1,103.11. Sheryl Brummer moved to approve the treasurer's report; Amie Mayhall seconded. Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

School Reports

Eastern Illinois University—Julie Chadd reported:

- The new fine arts building has opened.
- The number of business education students is the same as last year.
- Pi Omega Pi students are working on projects.
- PBL sponsored a cancer awareness program.

Lake Land College—Kathy Black reported:

- The college has a new Vice-President for Academic Services: Jim Hull.
- The college is continuing its efforts toward cultural change, adopting 5 new values: caring, communication, teamship, innovation, and excellence.
- Enrollment is down and the college is working on a strategic enrollment plan.
- The West Building addition is underway and will add 41,000 square feet to the existing 24,000 square feet structure.
- Denise Walk, IT instructor-program coordinator, joined the faculty in the fall.
- This is Janet Henry's last year and she will retire in the summer 2009.

Lincoln Trail College—Bea Abernathy reported:

- Enrollment is down about 7%, but enrollment remains strong in popular medical programs.

Olney Central College—Amie Mayhall reported:

- Enrollment is level with increases in medical programs.
- PBL has 7 students, but they are very active.

High School Reports

- Oblong High School has a new portable laptop lab and Office 2007 newly installed in the Media Center lab.
- Newton Community High School is in the process of revamping curriculum with plans to add more advanced classes and to move keyboarding to the junior high level.

- Neoga High School recently upgraded to Office 2007.
- Dieterich High School upgraded student labs to Office 2007.
- Charleston High School offers 19 business courses with 6 or 7 offered as dual credit.

New Business Announcements

IBEA—Sheryl Brummer reported :

- She bought four items for the IBEA silent auction. Amie Mayhall made a motion to reimburse Sheryl Brummer for these items; Linda Branch seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Sheryl asked that members view and fill out an online survey pertaining to revamping affiliates.
- Sheryl announced that IBEA will be held in Effingham next year on November 4, 5, and 6.

NBEA—Karen Drage reported:

- NBEA will be held on April 8-11 in Chicago.
- Shasta Bennett made a motion to donate \$50 to the NBEA hospitality committee; Amie Mayhall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2009 Spring Meeting

Karen Drage began reading the list of schools to give each a chance to volunteer/pass for hosting the spring meeting. She started with Lake Land College, and representatives from Lake Land volunteered to host the spring meeting on March 4, 2009.

Other Business

Karen Drage read a tribute written by Lillian Greathouse to honor Doris Crank, long-time business educator.

Janet Henry expressed concerns about the costs of producing and mailing the invitations for the fall meeting. The membership decided that invitations would be dispersed electronically to save costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.