

EASTERN ILLINOIS BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Fall Meeting – Thelma Keller Convention Center, Effingham, IL

November 10, 2011

Business Meeting

At 4:03 PM, President Woods called the meeting to order. Shasta Bennett stated that the fall minutes were emailed out, posted on website and had copies of the minutes on hand for those that have not seen it. She asked for any additions or corrections. Marcy Satterwhite made a motion to accept the fall minutes; Kathy Black seconded; motion carried.

Sheryl Brummer reported an opening balance of \$1,383.06, and a closing balance of \$1,297.08. Motion was made by Marcy to approve the treasurer's report; Kathy Black seconded. Motion carried.

School Reports

President Woods asked if there were any updates or topics new to their school they wanted to mention. Discussion was as follows:

- **Hutsonville High School** – Mike Woods discussed a course of multimedia and design was in the works. He was excited about that. The Hutsonville Power Plant has closed and he thought it would affect enrollment but didn't. Enrollment is at 103 to 108 and may lower into 92 next year then jump up to 110 or so in a few years. His classes range from 2-5 to 13. Last year he had no class under 10 but now due to AP math, it is affecting classroom enrollment and has affected his CertPrep class (Advanced Word) or Microsoft Certification. Last year he had 15 between two sessions and this year has four as independent study. He reintroduced Multimedia and has 13 in it; they really like it. He is working on a Claypool grant to purchase computers but may wait and buy tablets with the funds if received. He is going to custom build computers if Hutsonville receives the Mary Heath grant and therefore may have a whole new lab.
- **Lake Land College** – Kathy Black stated how correctional centers are helping to absorb enrollment which is steady. No new buildings are in the works but the building Marcy teaches in is in the process of being remodeled. Accreditation is set for Fall 2014.
- **West Richland** – Brenda Stallard discussed how Gary Miller is now Superintendent. They received 30 iPads to use in the classroom. They have not and will not rehire a Family and Consumer Science teacher so neighboring schools send over a teacher for different periods to cover FCS.
- **Cumberland High School** – Tracy Morgan discussed how enrollment has come down. Accounting is now offered every other year. The superintendent is getting ready to retire this year so hard to tell what's going to go on there. The current vice principal may apply. She says it is difficult to push kids into teaching when the job market is tough.
- **Olney Central College** – Shasta Bennett mentioned that Medical Coding Associate program has begun. It does have low enrollment but we think due to the fact it's a cohort

may be hindering some of the perspective students. Amie Mayhall is CCA certified and also completed a Train the Trainer workshop through AHIMA to prepare students for ICD-10 coming out in 2013. Medical Office Assistant program still seems to be thriving.

- **Eastern Illinois University** – Julie Chadd discussed how Business Ed majors are down which is to be expected. Numbers are around 20. Changes in the requirements of students being tested are changing. She stated we all need to encourage students in any level of education to take the basic skills test. EIU received full accreditation last year so they are good on that for a few years. The renewable Energy Center is the big thing this year with focus on monies and what's going on on campus.
- **Dietrich High School** – Larry Arney discussed how the superintendent is retiring. Dietrich has begun using QNS to support the network. Accounting is offered in alternate years.
- **Newton Community High School** – Lynnette DuSablou stated that they are down to one business education teacher. They have received 30 iPads for classroom use through a vocational grant.

New Business & Announcements

IBEA Report – Sheryl Brummer, IBEA Representative, reported:

- 217 registered for conference.
- Needs approval for donated items from EIBEA for IBEA conference. Marcy moves we approve the donation for the items given. Larry seconded.

Election of New Officers – All positions are open.

We are thinking about opening nominations via email and then voting at the Spring Meeting. Be looking for that.

Scholarships and Awards

- Shasta gave Amie Mayhall's report that last year we had only one scholarship applicant and this student did not meet the minimum criteria and changed their major. There were no nominations for the Teacher of the Year. Amie stated in email that she would like for someone to take over the position of Awards and Scholarship Chair and she would be happy to hand over the materials and help them out as needed.
- President Woods took the time to open the floor for nominations for Scholarship Chair. Julie nominated Lynette DuSablou. Lynette accepted and is the new chair.

Spring meeting location

- An email survey was sent out with no definitive answers. Shasta suggested Richards Farm for location since we had good numbers show then. Marcy said Richard's Farm is usually good and expected good food as well as a good location. Sheryl discussed how another affiliate holds meetings during the day which leaves evenings free. Due to Common Core

requirements they are frowning on professional development that's not related to a specific need. Larry had an idea that Workforce group has a breakfast that would be 7:30AM. Julie mentioned how difficult is it for some teachers to get days off. Larry suggested later in the afternoon may work. Everyone decided that Wednesdays seem to be the best day to meet. President Woods will contact Richard's Farm if that's what we want to do.

- Marcy made a motion to accept Spring Meeting be held at Richard's Farm in Casey on the first Wednesday in March. Lynnette seconded. Motion carried.
- Mike will contact them and then get back with officers.

Open

Sheryl mentioned that the best way to communicate may be setting up an EIBEA Facebook page and be able to contact and stay in touch. Everyone stated they have Facebook so we may be easier to find and contact people. We can also try to keep our email list up-to-date. CIBEA does updates every year. Each person would take so many schools and make contacts. Question was asked is it practical to mail invitations to schools? Due to cost we don't normally do that. Sheryl will be setting up a Facebook page.

Marcy mentioned that for our Spring Meeting, we should actually mail invitations to schools. Marcy said we do pay once a year \$9.95 to pay yearly for the domain name we have of www.eibea.org. It was decided to stay with the web site for another year while we play around with the Facebook page before we decide to end the web site. Marcy stated she needs \$9.95 to cover this past year's charges.

Mike will check with Richard's Farm on date and food. He will be in contact with the officers and see if that's what we want. He will call next week and let us know.

Julie mentioned the scholarship that is going through IBEA includes three \$5,000 scholarships and one graduate scholarship at \$2,500. Lynnette made a motion to end EIBEA's donation of \$500 towards scholarship. Marcy seconded the motion; motion passed.

Presentation

Mike presented interesting information on Technology in the Classroom as well as many useful sites that teachers can access that are free online. He had handouts on all of the information. If anyone wants the information, please email him at woods@roe12.net or Michaelceewoods@gmail.com .

Tracy moved to adjourn the meeting; Lynnette seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM. CPDUs were handed out.