

**EASTERN ILLINOIS BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**  
**Spring Meeting**  
**March 24, 2010**

**Pre-Meeting Activities**

The spring meeting of EIBEA was held at Ryan's Steakhouse, Effingham, Illinois, on Wednesday, March 24, 2009. The membership enjoyed a presentation on Employment Trends from Dennis Hoffman, Labor Market Economist with the Illinois Department of Employment Security.

After the presentation, discussion was held to base presentation towards business education and CPDU's were distributed.

**Business Meeting**

At 7:45 pm President Drage called the meeting to order. Shasta Bennett stated that the fall minutes were emailed out, posted on website and handed out to members and asked for any additions or corrections. Amie Mayhall made a motion to accept the fall minutes; Sheryl Bummer seconded; motion carried.

Sarah Newby, treasurer, reported an opening balance of \$1,051.38, and a closing balance of \$1,213.38. Amie Mayhall moved to approve the treasurer's report. Mike Woods seconded the motion; motion carried.

President Karen Drage announced that EIBEA will be awarding CPDU's for attending the Spring meeting and provided instructions to the membership on appropriate paperwork to qualify for three CPDU hours.

**School Reports**

**Cowden Herrick High School** – Sarah Newby

- Stated her position had been cut.
- Numbers were good.
- Co-op was brought back this year and they had 10 students enrolled

**EIU** – Shasta Bennett read Dr. Chadd's report:

- EIU currently has 26 business education students.
- Pi Omega Pi placed eighth in the nation for their 2009 projects.
- PBL continues to have good membership and is active.
- Several Career and Technical Education majors spent Spring Break in Florence, Italy studying the Italian educational system.

- The two incoming freshmen scholarships will go unawarded this coming year due to no applicants. Please keep this mind if any of your students are interested in becoming business teachers and plan to attend EIU. The applications are due in February for the upcoming school year.

#### **Lincoln Trail College – Bea Abernathy**

- Announced that the entire Office Careers program in the district was cut
- 21 position cuts total at the 4 campuses

#### **Lake Land College – Marcy Satterwhite**

- Enrollment was way up
- Mostly all of the teachers were teaching overload even causing some problems with people teaching too many classes
- No new buildings in process

#### **East Richland – Michael Woods**

- District made cuts to save \$1.7 million

#### **Newton Community High School-Sheryl Brummer**

- Sheryl's stated that her position was cut leaving 2 remaining business teachers still at the high school

#### **Olney Central College – Amie Mayhall**

- Shasta & her were both cut then were recalled back under the Medical Office Assistant program
- 88 students in MOA degree; 37 in Medical Transcription
- Met with advisory council Tuesday night; received great information for possible updates to program
- Added an Electronic Medical Records Management course and Statistical Analysis of Health Data course
- Trying to keep everything up-to-date
- Dropped PBL this Spring due to lack of interest; will be offered again in Fall

#### **New Business & Announcements**

Discussion began on what we can possibly do to improve the business education situation. Suggestions were:

- Rally
- Getting schools to require a business class
- Start with the Senators and inform them that business education is necessary
  - Get students to write letters
  - Have everyone write letters

**IBEA Report**— Sheryl Brummer, IBEA Representative, reported:

- Conference is November 3-5 in Effingham and will still be there in 2011
- Site selection was sent out by email including survey regarding 2012-2014 conference year. If you need the email, contact Sheryl or Marcy.
- If interested in presenting at IBEA contact Julie Chadd

**NBEA report**— Karen Drage, NBEA Representative

- 355 Illinois members
- Still rated top for North Central region
- Conference held in Minnesota September 24 & 25 will have NCBEA presentations set aside for the region only
- Announced there are positions open for NCBEA. Karen takes over as president in July. Need: president elect, treasurer, web master and newsletter editor
- NBEA is next week in San Diego – Marcy & Karen attending

**Election of New Officers**— Positions open: President and Treasurer

- President--Marcy Satterwhite made a motion that Mike Woods be nominated for president. Bea Abernathy seconded. Motion carried.
- Treasurer – Mike Woods motioned that Sarah Newby remain as Treasurer. Amie Mayhall seconded. Motion carried.

**IBEA Representative** – Position open.

Amie made a motion that Sheryl Brummer remain in that position. Marcy Satterwhite seconded. Motion carries.

**Scholarships and Awards**

- Amie Mayhall reported that the 2 applicants we received for scholarships didn't qualify and no one was nominated for awards.

**Fall meeting location**

- It was discussed and decided to have the meeting remain during the IBEA Conference

At 8:20 pm, Amie Mayhall made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Sheryl Brummer seconded the motion; meeting was adjourned.