EASTERN ILLINOIS BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Spring Meeting held at Paris High School, Paris, IL March 3, 2016

Program

Tour and Presentation of Teaching Opportunities and Challenges at the new Paris High School 4:20-5:45 p.m.

Roll Call taken around the room

- Tracy Morgan Cumberland
- Sue Miller Retired/Illinois Virtual High School
- Elyse Bulla Eastern Illinois University
- Alanna Dukeman Eastern Illinois University
- Julie Chadd Eastern Illinois University
- Kay Endsley Neoga
- Alicia Westjohn Flora
- Kathy Daugherty Lake Land College
- Cindy Phipps Lake Land College
- Marcy Satterwhite Lake Land College
- Rob Boyars Paris
- Heather Seaton Paris

Business Meeting

At 6:14 p.m., President Marcy Satterwhite called the meeting to order.

Marcy Satterwhite distributed CPDU's for the tour/presentation component of the evening to members that requested them. Evaluations of tonight's meeting were distributed and collected as well. The information will be sent to IBEA to be kept on file.

School Reports

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

Paris Cooperative High School – Rob Boyars offered to anyone, including colleges, to partner with our school. Rob also noted that they are thrilled to be the hosts this spring and they hoped the tour/presentation was enjoyable. Paris is in a contract year and they are now unfortunately going into mediation. Rob reported that there have been hiccups this first year in the new school, however, the task of moving a large body like this was bound to be challenging.

Eastern Illinois University – Julie Chadd reported that numbers of business education majors are small, with only two students in the Business Education department. Numbers are, however, down in all areas of education as there is an obvious shortage of teachers. There are schools with open positions as far as Arlington Heights asking for students. EIU has unfortunately had to make cuts to the overall budget, attempting to not cut faculty or programs since the state has not made its payments. The second round of layoffs will happen in March. There were decisions made to post pone raises last fall so faculty could come back. Faculty must be commended though as class offerings are still the same.

Lake Land College – Kathy Daugherty reported that Lake Land is experiencing the same drought in state payments and the school decided that there would be no raises this year, so all staff could remain employed next

year. There were concerns about the cancelling classes, however, now with the Lake Land Promise, all classes will go with at least six students. The Business and Computer contest is April 29 and it is still not too late to register your school. Lake Land is now a MS Office testing site and will be offering tests at the contest. There is plenty of excitement for the contest as there is a new layout this year. Lake Land College has developed a Career Academy for high school students for two periods in the morning, with one of the certifications being in Web Design. The academy will cost \$750 per semester. Rob Boyars and Kathy discussed the possibility to use the PHS Stem lab as a site for distance learning so PHS students could take advantage of the opportunity too.

Illinois Virtual High School – Sue Miller reported that she teaches consumer economics to a multitude of students each semester. They are working on a contract, however the ISBE extended it for a year. Enrollment is up and they also have credit recovery at Illinois Virtual HS. Enrollment is on a flex schedule with students coming into the programs at various times.

Cumberland High School – Tracy Morgan reported that school is going well, however, there was a decision to move consumer economics to the social studies department in her school. Cumberland, though, now requires keyboarding.

Flora High School – Alicia Westjohn reports that Flora has had a trying year. She alone carries eight preps and has to travel to accommodate her schedule of classes. Their district is enjoying a new elementary school.

Neoga High School – Kay Endsley reported that her school is not without shortages, as they have reorganized the school day for students to be released at 1:50pm and all teacher planning and PLC's is at the end of the day.

New Business and Announcements

Treasurer's Report – Cindy Phipps, Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$1,566.46 and a closing balance of \$1,507.31.

Minutes – Heather Seaton, Secretary, distributed Spring and Fall 2015 minutes for approval. Kathleen Daugherty moved to accept the minutes; Kay Endsley seconded; motion carried.

IBEA Report – Kathleen, IBEA Representative reported that she is second VP and recruiting for people to step up and run for office. She reports that those would assist putting together the IBEA conference. She relates that in her experience it's been a lot of fun to collaborate and meet new people.

New Officers for the next two years: Congratulations to Marcy Satterwhite, President; Kathy Daugherty, Vice President; Cindy Phipps, Treasurer; Heather Seaton, Secretary. Motion was made by Sue Miller to accept new officers; Rob Boyars seconded; motion carried.

Teacher of the Year Award – There are no nominations this year.

Fall 2016 meeting location

The fall meeting location will be at Lake Land College on October 13 with a session presented by Scott Rhine.

Meeting ended at 7:21 p.m.