

Executive (KACC) Board Meeting
Thursday, September 16, 2021, 8:30 a.m.
KACC Multi-Purpose Room and Zoom Platform

Members Present

Beecher:	Jack Gaham	Bradley:	Matthew Vosberg
Central:	Tonya Evans (8:40 am)	Grant Park:	John Palan
Herscher:	Richard Decman	Manteno:	Lisa Harrod
Momence:	Shannon Anderson	Peotone:	Steve Stein
St. Anne:	Charles Stegall	Regional Off:	Gregg Murphy

Absent: Kankakee

Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Kankakee Area Career Center Executive Committee, Kankakee County, State of Illinois was called to order September 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Secretary Pro-Tem:

A motion was made by Mr. Stegall, seconded by Dr. Decman at 8:31 a.m. to appoint Mr. Anderson as Secretary Pro-Tem for this meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1-6) A motion was made by Mr. Stein, seconded by Dr. Decman at 8:32 a.m. to approve the Consent Agenda including Minutes of the August Combined KARVES/KACC Board meeting; accounts payable; financial reports; accept the resignation of Jonathan Cruz, Academic Support Specialist; approve hire of Alyssa Pusateri, Academic Support Specialist; and, approve hire of Laura Marquardt, Preschool Lab Coordinator. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 7) Mr. Kelley provided brief overviews on the following:
 - a. ARPA Grant: Mr. Kelley spoke of his efforts to secure a portion of funds from this grant provided to the Kankakee County Board. He explained he was on a Workforce Sub Committee. At this point, it appears the County Board will hire a Grant Administrator. Mr. Kelley hopes his grant request will be considered as every student in Kankakee County has access to Career and Technical Education at KACC. Dr. Murphy stated not-for-profits will be limited to \$10,000. Mr. Kelley reported the County Board members he spoke to since this process began have been very supportive of KACC and the grant request.
 - b. Mr. Kelley met with Kankakee Chamber President, John Keigher and other representatives from the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Alliance. The meeting was held at Urban Farmer in Manteno, at which time a great discussion about internships; CTE Diplomas; and, need for additional communication on the value of a KACC education culminating in a young individual being ready for entry-level employment and

post-secondary education. Mr. Kelley will be working on presentations for other venues in the area.

- c. Harris Rebar: Mr. Kelley is working to develop an internship program with Harris Rebar, modeled after the Riverside Internship program initiated last summer. There may be great opportunities, not only in their CAD/Drafting department, but also on their manufacturing line. The potential intern opportunities may include an actual sub-shift, where interns return as employees after traditional school day ends, i.e.: 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. or 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- d. School Maintenance Grant: Mr. Kelley informed the Board he applied for this grant to help covering costs of much-needed heating/air conditioning updates as well as telephone/P.A. system, which is 40 years old. Mr. Kelley will keep the board apprised of his progress.
- e. Career Exploration Grant: Mr. Kelley updated the Board on this project involving regional middle schools. The first meeting with middle school representatives is this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. This will be a two-year project, which KARVES will be able to sustain in the years ahead. The goals are to help students discern what pathway they may want, align curriculum and culminate with a formal Individual Career Plan, which will soon be a requirement.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 8) Discuss/Approve FDIC Insured Financial Institutions: A motion was made by Mr. Stegall, seconded by Ms. Evans at 8:44 a.m. to approve the FDIC Insured Financial Institutions with which KARVES/KACC work. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.
- 9) Discuss Approve Discharge of Employment: Discuss in Closed Session
- 10) Discuss/Approve Director's Contract: Discuss in Closed Session
- 11) Discuss/Approve Real Estate Listing Agreement for sale of 1943 Old Brick Road, Bourbonnais, IL, 60914: Mr. Kelley informed the board on the listing price and real estate commission negotiated on this property. The process for selecting a realtor and decision to utilize a realtor were discussed. Dr. Decman questioned the historical profit made on a KACC-made home. Mr. Kelley provided a dollar amount range. A motion was made by Mr. Stein, seconded by Ms. Harrod at 8:48 a.m. to approve the Listing Agreement between KACC and Cindy Olsen Purdy/Speckman Realty with a sales price of \$339,900. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.
- 12) Discuss/Approve November KARVES/KACC Combined Board Meeting Date change to Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. A motion was made by Ms. Evans, seconded by Mr. Stegall at 8:49 a.m. to approve the date change of the November KARVES/KACC Combined Board meeting to November 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice-vote.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 13) Principal's Report: Mr. Guerin expressed his appreciation and acknowledged the incredible job done at the school districts when it comes to COVID Mitigation/Testing and Contact Tracing. He said all the staff at the district level have been exceptional. Mr. Guerin also reported:
 - a. Mr. Guerin reported KACC enrollment stands at 750 students. Originally, attending schools submitted 900 names for this fall.
 - b. Ms. Pena and Mr. Guerin attended the Peotone's fall open house.
 - c. KACC was on a soft lockdown on September 7. KACC staff, Kankakee Sheriff's office, Bourbonnais PD and SRO Powell all did a fabulous job.

- d. Regional Counselor Meeting was held September 9 as an in-person meeting. The meeting was very engaging and informational and allowed an opportunity to introduce Ms. Pena to the regional counselors.
- e. A meeting was held with Dr. Thrasher from Momence. Following the meeting, Dr. Thrasher was given a tour of KACC. This proved to be a wonderful opportunity and a great discussion.
- f. Mr. Guerin is in the process of informal and formal evaluations. He has 13 on his schedule to complete.
- g. Sophomore Day-Options and Opportunities will be held September 23. We have 700+ students registered to attend. Tickets are being distributed to KACC attending schools today. We look forward to welcoming the students.
- h. Options and Opportunities Open House: Our annual open house will be held the evening of September 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We have distributed invitations to districts to share as well as postings on social media. All are welcome.
- i. The next regional Principal's Meeting will be held at KACC on September 30.
- j. Mr. Guerin thanked Mr. Stegall for his efforts in working and communicating with KACC concerning a recent threat.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Dr. Decman, seconded by Ms. Evans at 8:55 a.m. to move to closed session to consider information on the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the district or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); and the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

- 14) Approve Discharge of Employment: This will be brought back to the October meeting.
- 15) Approve Director's Contract: A motion was made by Dr. Decman, seconded by Mr. Stein at 9:39 a.m. to amend Director Kelley's contract by increasing his annual salary by 3.75%. Motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Dr. Decman, seconded by Ms. Evans at 9:40 a.m. to adjourn the regular meeting of the KACC Executive Board. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

As Recorded By: _____

Shannon Anderson
Board Secretary Pro-tem

Attested By:

John Palan, Ed.D.
Chairman