

MINUTES - MEETING OF THE
STATE BOARD OF CAREER EDUCATION
9:30 a.m.

February 7, 2013

The State Board of Career Education (SBCE) was called to order by Chairman Phil Taylor. The meeting was held at Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, 525 W. Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas.

A record of member attendance is as follows:

PRESENT

Mr. Phil Taylor, Chairman
Mr. Richard Smith
Ms. Martha Dixon
Ms. Margarita Solórzano

Ex-Officio Nonvoting Members
Mr. William L. "Bill" Walker, Jr., Ex-Officio Secretary

ABSENT

Mr. John Riggs, Vice Chairman
Mr. John Yates
Dr. Ann Bain

Ex-Officio Nonvoting Members

Dr. Tom Kimbrell
Mr. Shane Broadway

Carl Daughtery introduced Shaylan Ware, district manager for North Little Rock and Lonoke and Cory Kimbrough, program manager for ICAN.

Director Walker thanked Randy Parker for his service as interim commissioner of Arkansas Rehabilitation Services.

Director Walker introduced Randy Lavery as the new commissioner of Arkansas Rehabilitation Services.

A. ACTION ITEM – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2012

On a motion by Mrs. Dixon and second by Mr. Smith, the State Board of Career Education unanimously approved the minutes of December 6, 2012.

B. ACTION ITEM – REQUEST AS PRESENTED TO BOARD AT THE DECEMBER MEETING BY THE ATU-OZARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR A SATELLITE LOCATION AT CLARKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FOR A HEALTH SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM OF STUDY

Sandra Porter, associate director for career and technical education, recommended that the request for a satellite location at Clarksville High School be approved.

The request is to locate a health science technology program on the Clarksville High School campus, which is approximately 30 miles from the Arkansas Tech University (ATU) Career Center in Russellville. Students from the Clarksville and Lamar school districts, who are currently served minimally due to travel distance to Russellville, would be served by the satellite center. In addition to Clarksville and Lamar students being served more efficiently, this satellite would also extend offerings to Scranton and Johnson County Westside students who are not currently served by any secondary career center because

these schools are outside the 25-mile radius attendance zone established for secondary career centers.

Director Walker stated that the agency has requested an increase in funding for the secondary career centers. Although there has been much discussion of center funding needs, the request for an increase did not receive a positive recommendation from the administration.

Director Walker asked that the board approve the request from ATU–Ozark Community College for a satellite location on the Clarksville High School campus contingent upon additional funding appropriated during the 2013 legislative session.

On motion by Mr. Smith and second by Ms. Dixon, the State Board of Career Education unanimously approved the request from ATU-Ozark Community College for a satellite location on the Clarksville High School campus with the stipulation that additional funding is approved during this legislative session.

C. ACTION ITEM – REQUEST AS PRESENTED TO BOARD AT THE DECEMBER MEETING BY COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR A SATELLITE LOCATION IN MURFREESBORO FOR A HEALTH SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM OF STUDY

Sandra Porter, associate director for career and technical education, recommended that the request for a satellite location on the Murfreesboro campus of Cossatot Community College be approved.

The request is to locate a health science technology program on the Murfreesboro campus of Cossatot Community College. The program would serve students from Kirby High School, which is approximately 15 miles from the Murfreesboro campus of Cossatot Community College and one mile from Murfreesboro High School.

Director Walker asked that the board approve the request from Cossatot Community College for a satellite location on the Murfreesboro campus of Cossatot Community College contingent upon additional funding appropriated during the 2013 legislative session.

On motion by Ms. Dixon and second by Ms. Solórzano, the State Board of Career Education unanimously approved the request from Cossatot Community College for a satellite location on the Murfreesboro campus of Cossatot Community College with the stipulation that additional funding is approved during this legislative session.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Walker briefed board members regarding structural issues affecting buildings 53, 54, and 55 on the Arkansas Career Training Institute (ACTI) campus. The buildings have been closed and staff and students relocated to other areas of campus pending repairs.

Director Walker informed board members that Governor Beebe has released \$1 million for repairs as a match to federal funds requested by the agency. Director Walker expressed some concern about the federal funding commitment and asked for further investigation. Arkansas Rehabilitation Services (ARS) administrators have met with Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) representatives and progress is being made, although no definite answer has been received.

Jonathan Bibb, ACTI administrator, provides board members an overview of the timeline of the issues with buildings 53, 54, and 55.

Jim Smith, deputy director for adult education, provided board members information on proposed legislative bills relating to adult education.

Sandra Porter, associate director of career and technical education, invited board members to attend Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) Day February 28, 2013, at the Capitol.

Director Walker asked that Dr. Robert Gunter present the "Pillars of Transformation" developed by the Career and Technical Education Division at the next board meeting.

Director Walker informed the board members of Dr. Ann Bain's appointment to the board.

Mr. Walker announced the following dates:

Next SBCE Meeting – April 4, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Taylor adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.



William L. "Bill" Walker, Jr., Ex-Officio Secretary
State Board of Career Education



Phil Taylor, Chairman
State Board of Career Education