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BCCC Board Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2021  
6:00 PM

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**Board Members Present:**

Mrs. Becky Huggins  
Mr. David Reuis  
Ms. Teresa Hughes  
Mrs. Cathy Smith  
Mrs. Annette Burnette  
Mrs. Shelby Broomfield

**Ex Officio Members Present:**

Also Present: Mr. David Augustine, Director, Mrs. Angela Overton, Business Manager, and Jonathan Vickery from the People Sentinel.

Mrs. Huggins called the meeting to order.

Mr. Augustine gave the invocation.

The Director advised the Board that the media had been given notice of the meeting in compliance with the freedom of information act and a notice had been posted at the Center.

Ms. Hughes made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting as presented. Mrs. Broomfield made a second. The motion carried.

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Reuis made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 meeting as presented. Mrs. Smith made a second. The motion carried.

Mr. Augustine stated that letters of intent were sent out to all of the employees. He stated that he has received two letters for employees who do not intend to return for the 2021-2022 school year. The two departments are the Building Construction Teacher and the Welding Teacher. Mr. Augustine stated that the positions will be advertised beginning the week of March 1, 2021. He also stated that a survey would be sent out to the schools and local industries to see if one or both of the programs should be replaced with something more suited to the area. He stated that next year the Electricity Class will move to a Mechatronics Course. Ms. Hughes suggested adding barbering to the Cosmetology Course to potentially attract more students. Mrs. Smith stated that culinary and engineering may be two courses to consider as well.

Ms. Hughes made a motion to approve the Financial Report as information with a second by Mr. Reuis. The motion carried.

Mr. Augustine gave the Director's Report. He stated that the center is ready to start OSHA certification classes with the completers. It will be a two-day training and they will be certified when done. He stated that any completers could let their teacher, Ron Still, or Robby Randall know that they would like to take the course.

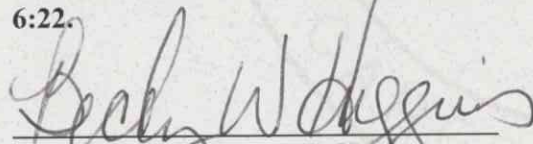
Mr. Augustine stated that on February 10<sup>th</sup> the CSRA apprenticeship task force met with directors and superintendents. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to introduce the directors and superintendents to apprenticeships and asked them to incorporate them into their district strategic plans. He stated that the next step is to involve principals, counselors, and career specialists to develop a plan to move forward.

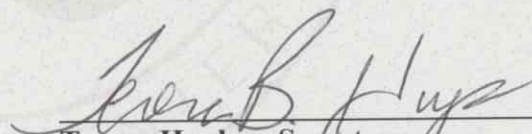
Mr. Augustine stated that the promotional video for BCCC was sent to the principals and counselors at each high and middle school in the county. He stated that the schools would show the video to hopefully attract more students to the programs that are offered. Mrs. Huggins stated that she would be interested in feedback on how the video was received by the students. Jonathan Vickery stated that if a link for the video was sent to him he would put it on the paper's Facebook page.

Ms. Hughes stated that she attended the Annual School Board Association Conference. She stated that they do an excellent job in providing information. She stated that a presentation was given on how the schools have adapted since the COVID-19 pandemic began. She stated that the Career Center was chosen as a recipient to receive free policy update assistance. She stated that she won a complimentary registration for the Board Chair Workshop for next year's conference.

The next regular schedule Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 15, 2021 at 6:00pm. The meeting will be conducted in person unless a change is needed.

With a motion from Mrs. Broomfield and a second by Mrs. Burnette, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22.

  
Becky Huggins, Board Chair

  
Teresa Hughes, Secretary