Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Board of Governors Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2024

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 12:04pm. Present were S. Arbaugh, Dr. Striplin, A. Blackwood, M. Chambers, J. Kubeika, S. VanMeter, S. Michael, and A. Degnan. Absent were J. Brill and L. Thompson. Guests present were R. Hamilton, T. Branson, G. Greenwalt, and three representatives from Solar Holler.

## **Presentation/Discussion/Professional Development**

Introduction of Lindsey Thompson, new Student Government Association President and Student Representative to the Board of Governors. She is a recent graduate of the Harman School (Randolph County), is an entering first-year student, and plans to study Business Management at Eastern. She took her Oath of Office on July 28, 2024.

GLBA Requirement – Annual Report on the Status of Cybersecurity Ron Hamilton, Chief Information Officer via Zoom – R. Hamilton presented a slide deck to the Board of Governors which included enhanced cybersecurity measures in place, a review of the Graham-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA), and a review of FTC rules.

1:30pm – Presentation by Solar Holler – *Three representatives from Solar Holler presented a slide deck to the Board of Governors on a solar array proposal for Eastern WV CTC.* 

## **\*Action Items:**

• Approval of the Minutes: Meeting of August 21, 2024 – On a Degnan/VanMeter motion,

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#### **Committees-**

**Finance** – Trina Branson – *Reviewed the Financial Status Update with the Board of Governors. See Action Items above.* 

# **College Representatives Reports**

#### Staff-Ann Degnan -

1. The VITA IRS free Tax Preparation Program was approved by President's Cabinet as a preparation site and the first event, a volunteer recruitment and recognition event is scheduled for Friday, September 21, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the event room 104-B.

VITA Recruitment for Volunteers and Current Volunteer Recognition Event

Event Date:	September 21, 2024
Event Place:	Eastern College Moorefield, WV 26836
Event Time:	11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Event Room:	104-B

2. After surveying participants of the first College Assessment Day in May this year that exemplified two assessment practice areas, Program Reviews from course assessment data and Oral and Written Communication General Education assessment; 96% of the respondent selected Strongly Agree or Agree categories. Written commentary indicated that the session was a successful informational day, demonstrated evidence of closing feedback loops in assessment processes and that faculty are developing their own systems using the College's improvement cycle model.

**Faculty-**Sherry Michael – *No report.* **Student-** Lindsey Thompson – *No report.* 

## Dr. Thomas Striplin, President

- *New Math instructor has been hired.*
- In discussion with A. Seymour regarding a potential project with Pilgrim's to develop a like skills course for immigrant employees.

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- Pierpont CTC, Blueridge CTC, and Eastern WV CTC working on a \$5M grant application. If awarded, Eastern's share would be \$1.5M. Other grant applications are in progress.
- Will attend the Community Colleges of Appalachia conference in November.
- Travelling to Minnesota the first week in October to conduct a Higher Learning Commission Peer Review.
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