



Date of Board Meeting: July 18, 2023

Subject: New Full-time Continuing Education Instructor, Matagorda Trades School

Recommendation: Approve Full-time Continuing Education Instructor, effective immediately

Background and Rationale:

This request is to hire a full-time instructor to teach construction trades/carpentry at the new Matagorda County Trades School. The instructor must be certified under the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) and be a subject matter expert to assist in the buildout and development of a Trades School.

WCJC is collaborating with Bay City and Matagorda County leadership (City and County Economic Development Corporations, Chamber, Workforce Solutions, City Manager, and Lynn Group, a private company) to meet the future needs of the county's large industry and residential development. This leadership group will provide a facility for construction trades training in Bay City, and WCJC will be the training provider to meet workforce needs of Matagorda County. Phase 1 of this project will be carpentry training; other phases such as plumbing, electrical, etc. will be developed at a later date.

In the appropriations act, WCJC was awarded \$2,000,000 of state funding to initiate this project. These start-up funds cover the following: \$1.4 million for the cost of facility build-out (classrooms, labs, interior walls) and \$600,000 for instructional equipment and materials/consumables, industrial ventilation system for the lab, furnishings and supplies (offices, classrooms/labs, student areas). Funding for subsequent years' costs, including employees, will be included in future budget planning. The request is to hire the instructor as soon as possible for planning purposes.

Cost and Budgetary Support: \$61,068 - \$68,068, plus benefits; AY 24 budget

Strategic Priority Alignment: ☒ Student Success ☐ Resource Optimization ☒ Community Impact ☐ Institutional Excellence

Resource Person(s): Danny Bacot, Director Continuing Education

Signatures:

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President's Approval:


President

7-12-23
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