



**Business Advisory Council**

Ohio State University Mansfield held a “Regional Campuses of the Future” focus group meeting that Mid-Ohio ESC was invited to attend. The Focus group was facilitated by the OSU Extension Community Development Office to understand how the campus can enhance its identity and determine how it will ultimately best serve and engage with the community. Community partnerships, and deeper connections with the local K-12 schools were elevated as a key priority need from the educators in the room. The same process will repeat on each OSU branch campus this year. Once the process of gathering focus group feedback is complete, the results will be reviewed by the OSU college president and administration, as well as the administration of each branch campus. In early 2022, regional campus leaders participated in a retreat focused on issues and opportunities, drafted documents that framed a vision for the future, began identifying potential, and unique opportunities for their campuses. The feedback from the focus groups collected in 2022-2023 will inform each regional campus’s plan for the vision of the future.

OSUM has partnered with Mid-Ohio for the Richland County Teacher Manufacturing Bootcamp. Dr. Eric Anderman, Interim Dean of the OSU Mansfield Campus and a researcher in Adolescent Motivation will work with me to design the 45 minute teacher inquiry based participation component for that day. In addition, he will present at the April 26th Business Advisory Council Meeting, sharing a 30 minute presentation explaining how adolescent motivation plays a role in career pathways.

**Teacher Mini-Externship Summer 2024**

I presented a plan to Dr. Anderman and his administrative team partnered to build upon the work of the Teacher Bootcamps in 2023, and expand to a mini teacher externship in 2024. The topic will be Industry 4.0 and will include hands-on activities such as using virtual reality simulation to design and test a manufacturing process, or work with a simulation that could include analyzing data from a production process. OSUM was very excited about the idea, and plans will begin in April to move this process forward.

**21st Century Community Learning Center Grants**

We are still awaiting the release of the questions for the new round of 21CCLC grants and continuation plans due April 7th. Crestview has asked for a new middle school grant application, and there will be a renewal grant application for Galion elementary, Galion Middle School and Galion High School.

**After School & Summer Learning Grants (SPARC Council) “READY FOR HIRE”**



## **Board Update 3.08.23**

### **Mid Ohio Educational Service Center**

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Summer Planning is underway for the Ready for Hire Program. We are hoping to partner with Richland New Hope to support summer career programming for students who have multiple disabilities and for adjudicated youth. We expect to run our summer program from Selover Library in Morrow County, which is a new partnership. Youth employment programs will operate in Richland, Morrow and Crawford Counties.

