

Sauk Valley Community College
April 27, 2020

Action Item 4.4

Topic: **Administrator Appointment – Interim Director of Regional Economic Development and Small Business Development Center**

Strategic Direction: **College Health Metric 7 – The College partners with local agencies to encourage the economic development of the region.**

Presented by: **Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Lori Cortez**

Presentation:

Due to the leaving of Stacy McCaskill, the College is required to appoint a Director of the Small Business Development Center. The SBDC Director in the past has had a portion of responsibility for economic development, and the College has also employed a Regional Economic Development Coordinator. The College is proposing to combine these two positions. Currently, Kim Ewoldsen serves as the Regional Economic Development Coordinator for the College.

Academic background: Kim graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture Economics with a marketing emphasis and is a certified Professional Community and Economic Developer.

Professional background: Kim was the Executive Director for the Morrison Area Development Corporation and Chamber for six years and served as the Executive Director for the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce for six years. She also was a Policy Advisor, Federal Legislative Liaison, and Agriculture Economic Development Specialist for the State of Illinois Department of Agriculture for four years.

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board approve the appointment of Kim Ewoldsen as the Interim Director of Regional Economic Development and Small Business Development Center beginning March 2, 2020 at an annual salary of \$63,585.60.