## Sauk Valley Community College June 28, 2021

**Action Item 5.10** 

**Topic:** Contract Approval – Online Course Review Consultant

Strategic Direction: Goal 2, Objective 10 – Provide high quality professional development

to faculty and staff as it relates to increasing student success especially

for online and developmental education students.

Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Jon Mandrell

## **Presentation:**

As part of post-pandemic planning, the College has launched the Sauk Edge initiative to enhance online and remote learning efforts. As part, faculty and staff have sought innovations, technology, and expertise to advance the teaching and learning experience. Over the next academic year, SVCC plans to consult closely with other higher education experts who can provide guidance and recommendations as part of online course reviews.

The professional services to be provided by Dr. Leaunda Schaeffer Hemphill under this contract are an allowable activity / expense of the College's Institutional Portion of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) award through the Department of Education. Illinois Public Community College Act (110 ILCS 805) and SVCC Board Purchasing Policy (305.01) exempt contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important role from public bid / solicitation requirements. The purchase will be funded through Institutional HEERF grant funds. Contracts greater than \$10,000 but less than \$250,000 are subject to federal Small Purchase Procedures.

## **Recommendation:**

The administration recommends the Board approve the professional services contract to Dr. Leaunda Schaeffer Hemphill in the amount of \$62,920 to be paid from federal HEERF Institutional Portion grant funds.