APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH INSIDE TRACK FOR CAREER COACHING

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021-12

WHEREAS, Ivy Tech began working with InsideTrack in Fall 2014 to provide coaching through a grant to all new 21st Century Scholar students in Indiana, and

WHEREAS, Ivy Tech Community College is now implementing a system-wide initiative that emphasizes comprehensive career readiness practices alongside academics through the duration of the student experience, and

WHEREAS, the new model, known as Career Coaching & Employer Connections (CCEC), is transforming Ivy Tech's former Career Development structure and will shift the approach to intentional career advising and employer engagement, and

WHEREAS, utilizing the CCEC model, Ivy Tech students will complete their degrees with a path to high-wage, high-demand careers, which will enrich Indiana's workforce, communities, and economy, and

WHEREAS, in partnership with the State of Indiana, Ivy Tech received a \$3.8 million grant from CARES Act funding for the purpose of implementing the Rapid Recovery initiative for the State of Indiana, and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant award Ivy Tech agreed to utilize InsideTrack to help displaced workers and students to better identify the skills they need to become employed and coaching them on how to acquire those skills and present them to potential employers with a particular focus on non-cognitive skill development, and

WHEREAS, the program is designed to improve career and educational outcomes based on their long-term goals to support them in developing the skills to make effective career planning decisions, stand out in a crowded employment marketplace, and provide maximum value to their employers, and

WHEREAS, the contract with InsideTrack will cost \$1,225,500 for the term ending June 30, 2022, with funding provided by the CARES Act grant from the State of Indiana, and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Trustees must approve any contract by the College exceeding \$500,000 unless the obligation was previously approved by the Board through the allocation of funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Board of Trustees hereby approves the College entering into a contract for career coaching services with InsideTrack for a term ending June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$1,225,000, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the State Trustees do hereby authorize and direct the President and Treasurer, or other appropriate designated College employee, to execute the contract with said firm after the documents have been approved by the College Counsel.