

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT #528

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Monday, April 20, 2009, in the Board Room, Room A217, of Building A on the Campus. Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

When the roll was called, the following were present:

Mr. Summers
Ms. Walters
Mr. Lowe
Ms. Larson
Mr. Kendzie
Ms. Miller

Trustee Kurtz was absent at roll call and arrived at 6:13 p.m. Trustee Glosson was absent. Attorney Perkoski was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 23, 2009 and minutes of the Closed Session, March 23, 2009, were accepted as presented.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one signed in to address the Board.

REVIEW OF BOARD PACKET FOR APRIL 23, 2009 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Dr. Sager inquired whether there were any changes to any of the items on the April 23 agenda. Several Trustees posed questions on Board Reports concerning personnel matters, and Dr. Sager responded to their concerns.

PURCHASING INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Dr. Sager asked Dr. Ally to summarize purchasing recommendations. Dr. Ally then spoke about current purchasing practices. Illinois State law recently changed, increasing the limit for bids from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Dr. Ally surveyed twenty-four community colleges; sixteen were increasing their level to

\$25,000 or were likely to do so. Of the other eight schools, seven were remaining at the \$10,000 level or were unsure how they were going to deal with it. MCC was the only school that required Board approval at the \$5,000 level. Discussion ensued regarding expenses for which there is a revenue stream. A Board Report will be prepared to address those situations, and Trustees decided that a decision on Purchasing Information and Recommendations would be postponed until the new ERP system is in place.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES TO INTERVIEW FOR INTERIM PRESIDENT

Dr. Bob Barringer met with the Board by telephone. Mr. Summers announced that after the formal meeting of the Board to designate Gold Hill Associates, provisional approval has now changed to formal approval. Mr. Summers stated that the Board was contemplating a general presentation, with questions from Trustees, reviewing specific names during Closed Session, under Open Meeting Act exception for personnel matters. After introductions of the Trustees and general discussion concerning the search process and candidate qualifications, Chair Lowe called for a short recess at 7:28 p.m., after which the Board would move into Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Lowe made a motion to move into Closed Session to discuss matters covered under ILCS 120/2, Open Meetings, (c), Exception (1), *The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity*, and Trustee Walters seconded the motion.

There was no discussion. The roll was called, and all were in favor. The motion carried. Closed Session began at 7:40 p.m.

At 10:23 p.m., Trustee Lowe made a motion to move out of Closed Session. Trustee Kurtz seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called and all were in favor. The motion carried. Closed Session ended at 10:25 p.m.

OPEN FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Kurtz distributed copies of two Northwest Herald articles about budget cutting. Dr. Sager spoke about the conservative approach to budgeting, and mentioned ending the University Center lease as a

positive example. Ms. Larson reported that the slate of officers to be presented at the April 23, 2009 Regular Board meeting was as follows: Mr. Lowe, Chair; Ms. Miller, Vice Chair; Ms. Kurtz, Secretary. Mr. Kendzie spoke about a power factor correction unit to save energy. Mr. Lowe inquired about the Shah Center remodeling; Dr. Sager replied that it is progressing well. Ms. Kurtz inquired about the search for Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs, and Dr. Sager responded that four candidates have been identified.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Revisions directed by the Board will be made to Board Report #09-99, Administrative Contracts and Compensation for FY 2010, and brought to the April 23, 2009 Regular Board meeting. Clarification was requested on Board Report #09-82, Service Contract for the HVAC Maintenance Program. Resumés for candidates for the Interim President position will be obtained from Dr. Barringer and provided to the Trustees.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Patricia Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Dr. Frances Glosson, Secretary