A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Friday, July 19, 2013 in the Board Room, Room A217, in Building A on the Campus. Chair Parrish called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m. When Mr. Jenner called the roll, the following were present:

Mr. Jenner  
Ms. Liddell  
Ms. Miller  
Mr. Wilbeck  
Mr. Parrish

Ms. Walsh, Ms. Kisser and Mr. Lambert were absent. Attorneys Daniel Curran and Nanci Rogers were present as legal counsel.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Parrish led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Cal Skinner addressed the Board and stated three concerns. 1) he received an email from a long-time supporter of the College who took offense that the flag has been removed due to parking lot construction. 2) Mr. Skinner expressed his objection to encryption of documents on the website. 3) Mr. Skinner expressed his concern that he was not able to see Board Report #13-102 Revised before the meeting.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE UPGRADES TO VENTILATION SYSTEM OF CERAMICS STUDIO, Board Report #13-102, Revised

Mr. Parrish spoke about the revised recommendation, which is the same as the original Board Report except for the dollar amounts: $104,225.00 is $120,000.00 in the revised version. Ms. Liddell moved to approve Request to Purchase Upgrades to Ventilation System of Ceramics Studio, Board Report #13-102, Revised and Ms. Miller seconded the motion. During discussion, Mr. Jenner questioned how the original
dollar figure was initially arrived at. Dr. Smith replied that the College depended on the architectural firm, who worked with engineers at KJWW to determine the price of construction. She asked the same question and was told that over the last few months, the economy has improved and contractors are responding with higher bids. Dr. Smith stated she was not happy with that answer. Ms. Miller stated that she can attest to the factor that contractors’ hourly rates and bids are coming in higher. She stated that construction is really moving in the county, that there is a lot of work being generated in McHenry and outlying counties. Mr. Parrish stated that this matter is urgent due to health and safety concerns for ceramics students and noted that the work must be done quickly. Ms. Miller concurred that the work must be done before classes start. Mr. Jenner questioned why the bids came in $66,000.00 lower for the parking lot bid; Dr. Smith responded that all three bids for the parking lot project came in lower with the second Request for Proposals. The roll was called and all were in favor; the motion carried.

Mr. Parrish stated that a closed session would be needed with respect to litigation, 120/2(c) Exception #11.

CLOSED SESSION

At 10:31 a.m. Ms. Miller moved to go into Closed Session to discuss matters covered under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 120/2 (c), Exception #11, Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. Ms. Liddell seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called and all were in favor; the motion carried. Closed Session began at 10:33 a.m.

At 11:12 a.m. Ms. Liddell moved to come out of Closed Session and Ms. Miller seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion carried. Closed Session ended at 11:12 a.m.
ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Parrish adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Patricia Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary    Chris Jenner, Board Secretary