

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, in the Board Room, Room A217, of Building A on the Campus. Vice Chair Liddell called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

When Mr. Jenner called the roll the following were present:

Mr. Memmen
Mr. Jenner
Ms. Kisser
Mr. Parrish
Mr. Smith
Ms. Tirio
Ms. Walsh
Ms. Liddell

Dr. Smith was present. Attorney Nanci Rogers was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as amended; Exception #2, Negotiations, was not needed for Closed Session.

Mr. Memmen read a statement about student Ms. Promise Williamson, and a moment of silence was observed.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

After brief discussion, the minutes were accepted as presented.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one addressed the Board.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Smith reported that she received a letter from the Illinois Community College Board that for the Adult Education grant, and the Perkins Career and Technical Education grant, the federal portion of funds will be released. This represents \$126,712.00 for adult education and \$228,231.00 for Perkins, for a total of \$373,943.00. She reported that this year's College Job Fair was extremely successful, with

many attendees receiving interviews and being hired. She noted that Dr. Amy Maxeiner, Executive Dean of Math, Sciences, and Health Professions, was selected President-elect of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators. Dr. Smith noted that a McHenry County College team will attend a January conference as part of the nomination for the Bellwether Award. She added that the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) has offered one complimentary admission registration to the AACC Workforce Development Institute to be held in January in New Orleans, along with cost of plane flight and hotel for that conference.

PRELIMINARY NOVEMBER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta gave a brief summary of the preliminary financial statements; he noted that the \$373,943.00 Dr. Smith referenced in her report will be placed in Fund 06 to offset some of the deficit in that fund. Mr. Tenuta also announced that the savings to be realized by refunding debt certificates will be much greater than expected: the College will save \$252,000.00, rather than the \$160,000.00 originally expected. Mr. Memmen added an update on the MAP grant situation: the state received 7,000 petition signatures from Illinois Community College students. Mr. Memmen is hopeful that MAP grant legislation will be passed at the next session.

AN IN-DEPTH LOOK AT ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SPACE, INCLUDING CAMPUS TOUR

Trustees toured the campus, led by Mr. Dominick Demonica of DKA. After the tour, Mr. Demonica gave a presentation on solutions to address the Board's priority needs, in a more cost effective way. Extensive discussion followed the presentation. Mr. Demonica's presentation can be viewed at www.mchenry.edu/board.

COMMUNITY EVENTS ATTENDED BY TRUSTEES

Ms. Liddell stated that this agenda item is designed to share information only about events that Trustees have attended on behalf of the College. This agenda item will be moved to Summary Comments starting next month.

Mr. Parrish expressed his appreciation to the Trustees for altering meeting dates, making it possible for him to attend classes.

Ms. Tirio and Mr. Jenner attended the women's basketball game last week.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A request was made for Mr. Tenuta to bring back an updated finance model for funding the revised space plan as shared by Mr. Demonica at the meeting.

SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Walsh noted letters were at each place regarding the Foundation's annual appeal; she asked all to consider donating to the Foundation. Mr. Memmen commented on affordability and support for space issues; he felt there had been a giant step backwards. Ms. Liddell felt the Board saw a good academic and student space plan put in place after asking for more affordable alternatives to new construction.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:39 p.m., Ms. Kisser moved to go into closed session to discuss matters covered under the Open Meetings Act, 120/2(c), Exception #1, Personnel, and Ms. Walsh seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called and all were in favor; the motion carried. Closed Session began at 9:43 p.m.

At 11:40 p.m., Mr. Memmen moved to come out of closed session and Ms. Walsh seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion carried. Closed session ended at 11:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41 p.m.

Pat Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Chris Jenner, Board Secretary