

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Of McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE**

A Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Monday, January 24, 2005, in Room 101 at the University Center, 100 S. Main Street, Crystal Lake. The following Board members were present: Dr. Glosson, Mr. Kachiroubas, Mrs. Larson (arrived at 6 p.m.), Mr. Lowe, Mr. Murphy, and Ms. Walters. Ms. Miller and Student Trustee Disney was absent.

Ms. Walters , committee chair, called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Ms. Sandra Kerrick was not present as legal council.

AGENDA APPROVAL

With no changes, the agenda was approved as presented.

DISCUSSION ABOUT WASTE MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL

Dr. Ally gave each board member a handout which outlined a proposal by Waste Management. Dr. Packard gave a short synopsis of the information contained in the document and asked board members to review it.

FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

Mr. McDonald presented the Five-Year Financial Plan calling attention to the ten year history for operating funds, the cumulative cost of the tax cap which has been about \$12.4 million, and the referendum history of the College including the fact that the last three bond issues were approved by out voters. Mr. McDonald then talked about the \$5 tuition increase planned for each of the next five years. Dr. Ally noted that the Five-Year Financial Plan is a snapshot of serious budget issues, but the good news is that we are aware of those issues. Mr. Murphy asked if there was any information about the end of the tax cap. Dr. Ally replied that ending the tax cap would require legislative action and

he did not see that happening in the near future. Ms. Walters thanked Mr. McDonald for the excellent presentation and noted the need to educate the public on this topic.

TECHNOLOGY PLAN/IT DISCUSSION

Mr. Linehan presented the Three-Year Technology plan. He emphasized that it is an annual revision to a rolling three-year plan with an emphasis on the upcoming year. The plan highlights the need to rotate hardware in offices and classroom, aging back office equipment, and the need to stay current with new and emerging technologies. Mr. Linehan expressed concern over identity theft and explained the dilemma of protecting the information while making it accessible to employees and students. At this point he introduced Dr. Neff from CampusWorks and Ms. Robertson from Elgin Community College. Dr. Neff spoke of the cost and time required to implement a system like CampusWorks and with our aging Mainframe now is the time prepare for a change. Ms. Robertson added that ECC is in the midst of a change to CampusWorks and said that the key to a successful transition is dedicated in-house people and extensive training for all employees involved. Ms. Walters thanked Dr. Neff and Ms. Robertson for a very informational presentation.

CLOSED SESSION

There were no items for closed session.

OPEN FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Nothing was brought up at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:34 p.m., with no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Sandra M. Swanson for Marlene A. Kopala
Recording Secretary to the Board of Trustees