

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Monday, December 17, 2007, in the Board Room in Building A on the Campus. Dr. Glosson, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

The roll was called and the following were present: Dr. Glosson, Mrs. Larson, Mr. Lowe, Mr. Summers, Ms. Walters, and Student Trustee Claypool. Ms. Kurtz arrived at 6:10 p.m.; Ms. Miller arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Attorney Kerrick was in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Summers asked that item #4 Approval of Minutes be combined with item #10 Minutes. A discussion about RFP's and HWAC cost review were added to item #7 HWAC Discussion. The agenda was approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Committee of the Whole Meeting November 12, 2007
Committee of the Whole Meeting October 22, 2007
Finance Committee Meeting October 4, 2007

This item was discussed later in the meeting.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Erv LeCoque and Mr. Ron Parrish addressed the Board.

PRESENTATION ON RESEARCH

Mr. Stanek discussed research about publicly financed sports facilities.

HWAC DISCUSSION

A Proposed Plan of Action Regarding Facilities Master Plan was discussed. The Committee decided to meet to discuss further on Monday, January 21 and Monday, January 28. Trustee Summers asked Dr. Packard to schedule a summit consisting of Mr. Mark Houser, Ms. Joanne Malinowski, and representatives from ERA. They would then report back to the Committee, hopefully in January.

Ms. Kurtz distributed a handout entitled "Cashflow Projections with ERA INPUT Factored In." Ms. Kurtz also questioned the absence of an RFP for the HWAC project. Dr. Packard responded that the College was approached by a party wanting to discuss a partnership; MCC was not seeking firms to partner with.

Options to finance and to purchase the Gilger property were discussed.

Future meetings with the City of Crystal Lake Zoning Board were discussed.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Mr. Summers suggested an amendment to the board policy on the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

After discussion, Mr. Summers asked to withdraw item so that an ICCB survey can be done on how FOIA requests are handled by other community colleges, and asked the Committee to revisit the issue at the February Committee of the Whole meeting.

Dr. Glosson called for a five minute break and reconvened the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IMPROVEMENTS

Dr. Glosson asked for input on enhancing the positive image of the College. Discussion followed with the suggestion of the Committee receiving a list of firms that provide image/message enhancement services. This will be discussed at the February Committee of the Whole meeting. Other suggestions that will be explored include posting the Board packet online and using a webcam to broadcast meetings over the internet.

MINUTES

A general discussion took place regarding the degree of detail the minutes should provide and the timeliness of getting the minutes to the Board. The Committee asked to have an ICCTA survey conducted on best practices.

Mrs. Larson pointed out an incorrect spelling of a name in the minutes of November 12, 2007. It should read Mr. Dan Larsen. Chair Glosson stated that the minutes stand approved with the correction.

Mr. Summers asked that changes he suggested be incorporated into the minutes of October 22, 2007.

After discussion Chair Glosson polled the Committee. Three Trustees agreed with amending the minutes, four did not. Chair Glosson stated that the minutes stand as presented.

Ms. Kurtz asked that changes she suggested be incorporated into the minutes of October 4, 2007. After discussion Chair Glosson polled the Committee. Two Trustees agreed with amending the minutes, five did not. Chair Glosson stated that the minutes stand as presented.

APPROVAL OF REVISED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE AND THE FRIENDS OF MCC FOUNDATION, BOARD REPORT #07-268

Mr. Like discussed the revisions included in Board Report #07-268 which is included in the December Board packet for approval.

OPEN FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Larson, Ms. Walters, and Ms. Kurtz commented on recent holiday and retirement celebrations.

Mr. Summers expressed his concern regarding comments made by the visitors and guest speaker at the meeting.

Ms. Miller shared her hopes that the College can improve its image.

CLOSED SESSION

Chair Glosson stated that all were in agreement and the Committee would go into Closed Session.

However, a malfunction occurred with the recording equipment; no discussion ensued and the Committee immediately went back into Open Session. Chair Glosson stated that items for tonight's closed session would be deferred to the Regular Board meeting's Closed Session on Thursday, December 20, 2007. A portable recorder will be available to use if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:50 p.m., with no further business, the meeting adjourned.