

FIRST MEETING
OF THE NEWLY ORGANIZED BOARD
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

The First Meeting of the Newly Organized Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015, in the Board Room, Room A217, in Building A on the Campus. Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 7:49 p.m. When Secretary Jenner called the roll, the following were present:

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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as amended; item 8., Closed Session, was not needed.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one addressed the Board.

APPROVAL OF PRESIDENT'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Ms. Liddell moved that the Board approve the goals and objectives as identified in the last revision that Ms. Kisser and Ms. Walsh worked on. Ms. Kisser seconded the motion. During discussion, Ms. Kisser stated that Dr. Smith submitted the proposed goals and objectives in February, to be approved in March. Time restraints during the meeting prevented the goals and objectives from being finalized. The Board held substantive discussion in April on the goals and objectives, Mr. Jenner synthesized discussion from the March meeting and more discussion was held.

Ms. Kisser noted that the current document is the second synthesis which reflects the Board's input. Ms. Liddell commented that the goals fit in line with the strategic plans in place. Mr. Jenner noted that two of the deliverables list a March, 2015 completion date; he asked whether those goals have been completed.

Dr. Smith will check on these goals and suggested changing the due dates to May, 2015. The roll was called and all were in favor; the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Walsh noted that the May Committee of the Whole meeting will feature the Space Utilization Study and asked whether Trustees would have a copy of the report before the meeting. Mr. Tenuta will double check to see when he will receive the report. Ms. Walsh explained her difficulty in digesting the report from a presentation, noting that seeing the report in advance makes for more useful discussion.

SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Kisser noted that information on the presidential search will be brought to the May Committee of the Whole; if an ad hoc committee is established, the information will be handed off to them.

Mr. Memmen welcomed Ms. Tirio to the Board, and offered his congratulations to Chair Smith and Vice Chair Liddell.

Ms. Liddell encouraged her fellow Trustees to attend the New Trustee Training at the ICCTA Annual Meeting on June 5, 2015. Ms. Liddell asked all to check their calendars so a Board Retreat might be scheduled. Ms. Tirio inquired about the Retreat, and Ms. Kisser clarified that the Retreat can be held in open or closed session, depending on how it is set up in compliance with the law. She stated that the Board is not talking about specific issues, but talking more substantively about how the Board works together. The Board sets aside three to four hours to talk about where they are going, how they connect with the College, and overall discussion about the College. It has been held at the Shah Center in the past, on a Saturday morning.

Mr. Memmen asked whether a Board meeting might be held at the Shah Center; Dr. Smith replied that the August Committee of the Whole meeting or August Board meeting could be held there.

Mr. Memmen asked what Trustees thought of holding a Meet and Greet event with newly elected Student Senate members over the summer.

Mr. Jenner noted that Board Policy 1.8.7 provides for the Board to pass a resolution of support for whatever issue is up. He believes the Board will be asked in June to pass a resolution establishing

prevailing wage. He stated that as long as he has been on the Board, he has noted this is bad policy and costs the College more money than needs to be spent. He would like the Board to call on legislators to introduce a bill that allows Illinois community college districts to exempt themselves from the Prevailing Wage Act. Mr. Smith asked whether Mr. Jenner anticipates the Board addressing the outstanding issue of township consolidation; Mr. Jenner replied that issue is for the County Board to deal with. Mr. Memmen asked about the Turnaround Agenda; Mr. Jenner asked who he should work with about the Prevailing Wage resolution. Mr. Smith stated he would join Mr. Jenner on developing the resolution to introduce such legislation.

Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Parrish for his service as Chair of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Smith has previously served with Mr. Parrish on the Friends of McHenry County College Foundation board and thanked Mr. Parrish for all his service, and his leadership the past two years on the College Board. Mr. Parrish was greeted with applause. Mr. Smith thanked Ms. Walsh, outgoing Board secretary, for her service.

CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 p.m. Ms. Liddell moved to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Tirio seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and all were in favor. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Patricia Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Chris Jenner, Board Secretary