

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, in Room SCC105 at the Shah Center, 4100 Shamrock Lane, McHenry, Illinois. Vice Chair Liddell called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

When Ms. Walsh called the roll the following were present:

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

Student Trustee Memmen was absent. Dr. Smith was present. Mr. Parrish left the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Vice Chair Liddell noted that Discussion of the Board Retreat would be added under agenda item #15, Summary Comments by Board Members. The agenda was accepted as amended.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Ms. Kisser emailed a list of punctuation corrections to Ms. Kriegermeier, who incorporated the corrections into the minutes file. The minutes were accepted as revised by a unanimous voice vote.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one addressed the Board.

SOLAR ARRAY TOUR

Dr. Smith introduced Ms. Kim Hankins, Director of Sustainability, and Mr. Bob Tenuta, Chief Financial Officer. The Trustees left to tour the solar array.

PARKING LOT/PLAZA TOUR

Mr. Mike Clesceri, Executive Director of Public Safety and Facilities, and Mr. Todd Wheeland, Director of Facilities Contracts and Projects, conducted a tour of the parking lot and plaza for the Trustees.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Smith had no report.

PRELIMINARY JUNE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta noted that the June statements would be in draft form throughout the whole month. The College will be closing out activities for the fiscal year, which could take until October. He reviewed each page of the financial reports, stating that the Status of All Funds shows no issues of concern. Mr. Tenuta stated that the Statement of Activities shows the College is tracking really well against the budget, which is becoming tighter and more accurate as we go along. He stated that the Facilities Department is doing a great job coming in under budget on projects on the ISES Facility Condition Analysis report, so much so that \$1 million in unspent funds will be carried over to next year's budget.

Ms. Kisser asked Mr. Tenuta what the biggest difficulty has been in terms of trying to spend conservatively. Mr. Tenuta replied that there is not one specific area; besides salaries and benefits, capital expenditures is the next largest budgeted amount. Mr. Tenuta noted that capital expenditures are planned very carefully through the bid process to get the best, most affordable project possible.

Ms. Walsh noted the College is at 91% of budget for local government revenue sources and asked whether we anticipate being at 100%. Mr. Tenuta replied that revenue is collected from four counties and come in sporadically. All that is not collected will be accrued, and Mr. Tenuta estimated the state revenue figure will be at 99% of the budgeted amount by fiscal year end.

Mr. Parrish asked whether Mr. Tenuta has seen any highlights in the expense summary he spoke about at the Finance and Audit Committee; Mr. Tenuta replied he is still working on that report and hopes to have it ready by the next Board meeting.

Ms. Kisser noted that last year, there was a difference between the budgeted and actual SURS payment.

Mr. Tenuta stated that this year, the payment will be around \$9 million, and is a pass-through with a net effect of zero, so it will not throw the budget into a deficit.

UPDATE ON PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

Chair Smith provided an update on the Presidential Search; he and Ms. Kriegermeier met with R. H. Perry & Associates. He anticipated that Trustees will have candidates to nominate for this process and emphasized the importance of requesting that the Board inform candidates to contact Liz Rocklin and Jesse Thompson of R. H. Perry & Associates directly. He encouraged Trustees to stay outside of the process to insure credibility. Letters to constituent groups are going out this week to invite them to focus groups and open sessions on July 27 and 28.

BOARD INPUT ON PHASE 2 PLANNING PARAMETERS

A presentation was given by Mr. Dominick Demonica of DKA Architects on the Phase 2 Planning Parameters. Mr. Demonica addressed the Phase 2 timeline, current needs in health professions, science, student center, general classrooms, technical and manufacturing labs, library, athletics, and recreation. He noted issues that drove the previous Facility Master Plan, and spoke about site analysis, and the development of concepts.

Mr. Demonica presented four options to the Board for their feedback. Extensive discussion followed on those options; consensus was reached that Trustees favored Option 3 and Option 4 and held space for science and health professions in high priority. Those two Options will be reviewed; Mr. Demonica will come back with phasing of the various projects. User group meetings will be held the week of August 31.

The presentation can be viewed at www.mchenry.edu/Board.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT/UPDATE

Dr. Smith reported that the Illinois General Assembly and Governor Rauner are still at an impasse trying to approve the State's budget. She will continue to send legislative information to the Trustees as it becomes available. She noted that community colleges will keep an eye on the suggestion to reduce Pell Grant funding. Ms. Liddell inquired whether MCC has heard of a grant associated with Career and Technical Education; Ms. Stejskal will look into this inquiry.

COMMUNITY EVENTS ATTENDED BY TRUSTEES

Ms. Tirio attended the McHenry County Council of Governments meeting.

Ms. Walsh attended the recent GardenWalk.

Mr. Smith marched in the Arlington Heights July 4th parade with statewide public and private sector leaders.

Ms. Kisser and Ms. Liddell participated in the Patriot Run held at the College.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Walsh noted that space utilization and space needs analysis are two separate topics, and asked that the space utilization report be discussed.

SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Jenner proposed that two economists representing the Keynesian school and the Austrian school provide at the Board Retreat an Economics 101 lesson for the Board. He noted that the public could also participate. The retreat is scheduled for August 29; if more time is needed to gather these speakers, the retreat could be delayed.

Ms. Kisser thanked all who put together information for tonight's meeting; she also stated she would like to see a dashboard with information on enrollment, finance, and other College matters like the dashboard created on energy use the Trustees were shown.

Ms. Walsh noted that when she visited the campus this past Saturday, a number of events were being held on various topics: genealogy, motorcycle classes, and master gardeners. She was very happy to see the College being used by the community.

CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Pat Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Chris Jenner, Board Secretary