

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, in the Board Room, Room A217, of Building A on the Campus. Vice Chair Evertsen called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

When Chair Jenner called the roll in Secretary Walsh's absence, the following were present:

Mr. Peters
Mr. Jenner
Ms. Liddell
Mr. Parrish
Mr. Smith
Ms. Tirio
Ms. Evertsen

Ms. Walsh was absent. Dr. Gabbard was present. Attorney Sam Cavnar was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes were accepted as presented.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one addressed the Board.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gabbard highlighted articulation and transfer agreements in his report, including the University of Illinois at Chicago Transfer Admission Guarantee. This agreement is automatic to students with a 3.8 GPA. He noted that the Milwaukee School of Engineering is also looking at a two plus two agreement with McHenry County College. Dr. Gabbard noted that the Foundation golf invitational netted around \$50,000. He spoke about the recent ScotsFest, noting that this thank you event to the community was a success, and invited Trustees to join him in the Crystal Lake parade on July 2. He reminded all to save the date of November 10 for the Foundation Moonlight Masquerade Gala; tickets will be available July 1.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Ms. Haggerty reported that meetings continue with individuals and corporations to finalize pledges, noting that a number of open pledges will be firmed up by the end of June. Plans are under way to launch the employee campaign after the silent phase finishes.

PRELIMINARY MAY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta spoke briefly about each page of the preliminary financial statements, noting that the numbers are running close to the predicted forecast.

PRELIMINARY BUDGET WORKSHOP/PRESENTATION

Mr. Tenuta presented the tentative 2018 budget, and explained that it is a balanced budget. Dr. Gabbard pointed out that there are no transfer funds in or out. He added that the March 2017 reduction in force is what allowed the College to get to this point. Mr. Tenuta noted this budget shows 50% less state revenue than the College received in 2013, and asked the Trustees to talk to their political representatives about passing a state budget. Mr. Tenuta explained the tentative budget, section by section. Discussion followed about the possibility of pension liability being passed down to colleges by the state.

DISCUSSION OF BOARD ATTENDANCE AT 2017 ACCT LEADERSHIP CONGRESS

Extensive discussion followed on whether the Board should send attendees to this Congress. Mr. Smith noted that last year's Congress presentations are available free of charge at the ACCT Trustee Education website (<http://www.trustee-education.org/>). After further discussion, a straw poll was taken. Ms. Liddell and Mr. Parrish were in favor of sending a representative. Mr. Peters was in favor of sending a representative whose registration was paid, but who covered his or her own hotel, airfare, and meal expenses. Mr. Jenner, Mr. Smith, Ms. Tirio, and Ms. Evertsen were not in favor of sending a representative.

DISCUSSION OF 2018 RAMP (Resource Allocation Management Program)

Mr. Tenuta explained that capital needs are submitted to the state Capital Development Board. MCC has had three projects on the current list for the past five or six years. The Facility Master Plan must be updated in 2018; once it is complete, that plan will impact the RAMP submission. Mr. Tenuta noted that one significant change from last year's submission is the Liebman Science Center; once completed, it will be taken off the list. Two other items on the RAMP list are the Career and Technical Manufacturing Center, and the Student Life Center.

DISCUSSION OF 2018 RESOLUTION FOR PREVAILING WAGE

Dr. Gabbard noted that last year, the Board voiced their disagreement with the Prevailing Wage Act by sending a resolution to legislators in the College's district. He emphasized that if the Board does not approve the 2018 Resolution for Prevailing Wage, there is a risk that the College could lose federal and state grant funds. He hoped that the Trustees could approve the resolution so that the College's ability to receive grant monies is not affected. During discussion, it was pointed out that even if the Board does not pass the resolution, prevailing wage will have to be paid in compliance with the law. A straw poll was taken, which resulted in support from Mr. Parrish, Ms. Liddell, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Peters. Mr. Jenner and Ms. Evertsen could not support the resolution. Ms. Tirio did not voice her opinion. Mr. Jenner stated he thought that Ms. Walsh, who was not at the meeting, would be in favor of the resolution.

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

Dr. Gabbard stated that the College's Strategic Plan will sunset in 2018. This fall, college-wide listening and discussion will begin, leading to creation of the next Strategic Plan. Dr. Gabbard noted that in 2015, the Board approved expanding the College's strategic initiatives by adding one initiative, for a total of six. The Board re-adopted the College's mission statement, and created a new vision statement. Dr. Gabbard noted also that the President's Cabinet has added an additional goal, focused on effective

teaching and learning processes, for which Board approval will be sought at the August Board meeting.

A presentation followed, which can be seen at www.mchenry.edu/board.

DISCUSSION OF TRUSTEE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The next opportunity for professional development has been scheduled by Robbins Schwartz for Saturday, June 17 at Harper College, followed by another session on Saturday, June 24 at Rock Valley College. Newly elected Trustees are required to complete four hours of professional development during the first, third, and fifth years of their term.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include: 1) future tours of program areas such as automotive, horticulture, and fire science, 2) a presentation on sustainable agriculture, 3) discussion of the cost for student clubs to use College space.

SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

During summary comments, Ms. Liddell thanked Mr. Tenuta for putting all the tentative budget materials together. Mr. Parrish expressed his appreciation for recent newspaper articles about the College. Ms. Tirio stated she appreciated the 6:00 p.m. Board meeting start time. Mr. Peters thanked administration for focusing on student success. Mr. Jenner expressed his appreciation for the last three College events he attended, noting that the Groundbreaking ceremony, ScotsFest, and the Adult Literacy Volunteer event were all well put together, well publicized, and well received. Mr. Smith reminded all that the date of the June Board meeting has been changed to Thursday, June 29. Ms. Evertsen thanked Ms. Haggerty for keeping the Board apprised of details about the recent explosion in Marengo, which affected some of the MCC family.

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Pat Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Molly H. Walsh, Board Secretary