

MINUTES
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
of MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

The Organizational Meeting of the Board of the Board of Trustees of McHenry County College was held on Thursday, April 22, 2021, as a Virtual Meeting as authorized by Executive Order 2020-7, and as permitted by Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7(e) to be held without the physical presence of a quorum of trustees at the regular meeting location. Members of the public were able to provide public comment and access all open portions of the meeting via the link and accompanying information located on the Board of Trustees page of MCC's website, located at: <https://www.mchenry.edu/board> Vice Chair Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

When Secretary Allen called the roll, the following were present:

Mr. Allen
Ms. Evertsen
Ms. Hoban
Ms. Siddons
Ms. Walsh
Ms. Speros (sworn in this evening)
Mr. Morton (sworn in this evening)
Student Trustee Edith Sanchez (sworn in this evening)

Dr. Gabbard was also present. Attorney Samuel Cavnar was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

Dr. Gabbard then indicated that since the College has not yet received the formal certification of Trustee election results from our counties, the Board opted to hold its regularly scheduled April meetings, along with the Organizational meeting, tonight. With restrictive timelines in place, this will necessitate the Board to call a Special meeting on or before May 4 to formally ratify all appointments made this evening, as well as ratifying the schedule of meetings established. After discussion, it was determined this virtual Board meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 28, the day after all counties are required to have completed the election canvass and certify the April 6, 2021 election results.

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were submitted to the Board.

INSTALLATION OF STUDENT TRUSTEE

Vice Chair Walsh presided as Chair, and introduced the Board's newly elected Student Trustee, Edith Sanchez. Ms. Walsh administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Sanchez, then welcomed her to the MCC Board of Trustees.

OATH OF OFFICE

Vice Chair Walsh then issued the Oath of Office to newly elected Trustee Dale Morton and re-elected Trustee Elizabeth Speros, both serving six year terms on the MCC Board of Trustees.

ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND SECRETARY

Vice Chair Walsh opened the floor for nominations for the position of Board Chair. Mr. Allen nominated Ms. Siddons for Board Chair, and Ms. Hoban seconded the motion. Additionally, Ms. Speros nominated Ms. Walsh for Board Chair, and Mr. Morton seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. There was no discussion, and the roll call vote was taken. Trustees Evertsen, Siddons, Hoban and Allen voted for Ms. Siddons; and Trustees Speros, Walsh and Morton voted for Ms. Walsh. Ms. Siddons received four votes to Ms. Walsh's three votes. An announcement was made that Mary Beth Siddons will serve as Board Chair for the coming year.

Ms. Walsh announced that the floor was open for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Ms. Hoban nominated Mr. Allen, and Ms. Siddons seconded the motion. No other nominations were made, and there was no discussion. The roll was called with all voting in favor of Mr. Allen. The announcement was made that Tom Allen will serve as Board Vice Chair for the coming year.

Ms. Walsh announced that the floor was open for nominations for Board Secretary. Mr. Allen nominated Ms. Hoban and Mr. Morton seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, and there was no discussion. The roll was called and all voted in favor of Ms. Hoban. The announcement was made that Ms. Hoban will serve as Board Secretary for the coming year.

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE RULES, REGULATIONS AND POLICIES

Ms. Siddons moved to continue rules, regulations, and policies, and Ms. Evertsen seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called, and all voted in favor. The motion carried. Ms. Walsh announced that established rules, regulations, and policies would continue.

RESOLUTION TO SET BOARD MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Ms. Hoban moved to approve the board meeting dates, noting that meetings would start at 6:00 p.m., and that no meetings would be held in July or December. Ms. Speros seconded the motion. The roll was called, and all were in favor. The motion carried. Ms. Walsh read the resolution language. Board meeting dates and times for 2021-2022 may be viewed online at www.mchenry.edu/board

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER

Ms. Hoban moved to appoint Mr. Robert Tenuta as Treasurer, and Ms. Speros seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called, and all were in favor. The motion carried. Ms. Walsh announced that Mr. Tenuta would serve as Treasurer for the coming year.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEYS

Ms. Hoban moved that Robbins Schwartz be retained as Board Attorney for one year to handle litigation, Freedom of Information Act requests, bargaining unit contract negotiations advice, issues concerning education law, and attending Board meetings. She added that Campion, Curran, Lamb & Cunabaugh, P.C. , now known as Campion Curran Law, P.C., be retained for one year to handle attending Board meetings, any local issues related to real estate, county or city issues, and routine advice not dealing with education/school law. Ms. Speros seconded the motion. The roll was called, and all voted in favor. The motion carried. Ms. Walsh announced that Robbins Schwartz and Campion, Curran, Lamb & Cunabaugh, P.C., now known as Campion Curran Law, P.C., will serve as Board Attorneys for the coming year.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Ms. Hoban moved to adopt the committee structure for both the Evaluation and Policy Committee and the Finance and Audit Committee for the coming year. Ms. Siddons seconded. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor of the structure of these two committees. During discussion, the following Trustees volunteered to serve on the Evaluation & Policy Committee: Ms. Speros, Ms. Hoban and Mr. Morton; and the following Trustees volunteered to serve on the Finance & Audit Committee: Ms. Walsh, Ms. Siddons and Mr. Allen.

APPOINTMENT OF FOUNDATION LIAISON AND ALTERNATE

At Ms. Walsh's recommendation, Ms. Hoban motioned that Mr. Morton and Ms. Walsh be appointed as Foundation Liaison and Alternate, respectively. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The roll was called, and all were in favor. The motion carried. The announcement was made that Mr. Morton and Ms. Walsh will serve as Foundation Liaison and Alternate, respectively, for the coming year.

APPOINTMENT OF ICCTA REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE

Ms. Walsh moved to appoint Ms. Speros and Ms. Walsh as ICCTA Representative and Alternate, respectively, for the coming year. Ms. Hoban seconded. There was no discussion. The roll was called, and all were in favor. The motion carried. Ms. Walsh announced that Ms. Speros and Ms. Walsh will serve in these roles for the coming year.

SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS

The schedule of regular meetings may be viewed at www.mchenry.edu/board

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Mary Cornett, Recording Secretary

Thomas E. Allen, Board Secretary