

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020, in the MCC Conference Center, Rooms 211-215 of Building A on the Crystal Lake Campus. Vice Chair Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. When Secretary Allen called the roll, the following were physically present:

Ms. Siddons
Mr. Smith
Ms. Walsh
Ms. Hoban
Mr. Allen
Ms. German

Vice Chair Walsh asked for a motion and second to allow Trustee Speros to participate in the meeting by telephone. Mr. Smith moved; seconded by Ms. Siddons. Vice Chair Walsh then asked Trustee Speros to confirm that any closed session conversation would be kept confidential, and Trustee Speros so confirmed. A roll call vote was called and the motion carried.

The roll was called again, including Trustee Speros participating by telephone; the following were present:

Ms. Siddons
Mr. Smith
Ms. Walsh
Ms. Hoban
Mr. Allen
Ms. German
Ms. Speros - telephonically

Ms. Evertsen was absent. Dr. Gabbard was present. Attorney Samuel Cavnar was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 15, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting were accepted as presented.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

It was noted there were no public comments this evening.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gabbard shared that as the College approaches the spring 2021 semester, MCC will continue to support

a safe and healthy campus during the COVID-19 pandemic. Intensive cleaning, health screenings upon entry, and a hybrid schedule for on-campus operations have been very effective, and the College will continue these efforts through spring semester, along with the hybrid approach to instruction and learning. Administrators will continue to evaluate furloughs and reassignments and adjust when possible. In light of COVID-19 and its impacts, Dr. Gabbard stated that MCC will continue to assist faculty and staff with any ADA accommodations or work condition adjustments needed.

Dr. Gabbard gave a brief overview of the new Manufacturing Consortium website that was just launched. MCC is the sponsor of this website, and district high schools are ready to take this tool into their schools and get students excited about manufacturing opportunities. With regard to upcoming events, he noted MCC's *Experts and Insights* Faculty Speaker Series will continue through 2021 as virtual sessions. He also mentioned that this year's Manufacturing Breakfast will celebrate its 10th anniversary, to be held virtually on October 21. He invited Board Trustees to register and attend.

Lastly, Dr. Gabbard shared Fall 2020 Enrollment Reports for MCC, broken down by headcount and credit hours, as well as by course and student body characteristics. The College is pleased to have significant increases in both student headcount and credit hours at a time when that is not the case for most community colleges in the state.

PRELIMINARY SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta recapped the September preliminary financial statements. He indicated we are still finishing the first quarter of this fiscal year and feels we are tracking well to the budget with no surprises.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Vice Chair Walsh would like the Board to be involved in discussions about the new CATI building once the architect is selected.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:40 p.m., Vice Chair Walsh asked for a motion to move into Closed Session under Illinois Open Meetings Act 120/2(c) #1 - Personnel, # 11 – Litigation, and #21 – Review of Closed Session Minutes. Ms. Hoban moved; Ms. Siddons seconded. The roll was called and all were in favor. After a short break, the closed session began.

At 7:27 p.m. Ms. Hoban motioned to come out of closed session, seconded by Ms. Siddons. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Siddons to approve the closed session minutes of the February 18, 2020, May 19, 2020 and August 18, 2020 Committee of the Whole meetings. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hoban. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor except for Ms. Speros who abstained as she was not present to review the closed session minutes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Vice Chair Walsh called the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Mary Cornett, Recording Secretary

Thomas E. Allen, Board Secretary