

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT #528

November 12, 2024
Committee of the Whole



MCC Board Room A217
8900 U.S. Highway 14
Crystal Lake, IL 60012

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Morton called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Morton asked Secretary Kueffner to take a roll call.

Trustees Present

Elizabeth Speros
Dale Morton
Suzanne Hoban
Alyssa Kueffner
Tess Reinhard
Tom Allen
Adonia Fulk
Molly Walsh

Also Present

Dr. Clinton Gabbard- College President
Kevin Noll- Legal Counsel

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda was accepted as presented.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Motion: Move that the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from October 15, 2024, are approved. Trustee Allen motioned; seconded by Trustee Reinhard. Motion approved.

5. OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

No public comments.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: DR. CLINTON GABBARD

MCC Annual Day of Giving

The College's annual Day of Giving will take place on Thursday, November 21. On this special day, MCC invites the community to contribute to the MCC Student Success Fund. This essential fund supports students facing unexpected expenses or emergencies that may affect their ability to continue their education. On the days leading up to the Day of Giving, MCC will feature student success stories about the impact of a gift on social media and via the website. Community members are encouraged to support the fund by donating throughout the day.

LEED Status for Foglia CATI

In early November, College officials met with architects from Ross Barney to discuss LEED status in the Foglia CATI. While the College initially submitted its intent for LEED Silver status, the submission is being updated to add additional points in several areas: Bicycle Facilities; EV Vehicles; Site Development; and Optimizing Energy Performance (largest category). Through the addition of these areas, LEED Gold status is now within reach.

Facility Projects Update

Dr. Gabbard updated the Board on Facility projects. Questions and discussion followed.

Information About the Illinois Green Economy Network (IGEN)

Dr. Gabbard shared information about the Illinois Green Economy Network.

Employee Holiday Appreciation Reception

On Tuesday, November 19, MCC Trustees are invited to join employees for a reception in appreciation of the wonderful work done over this year. The event will take place at 2:30 p.m. in the MCC Café area, with an opportunity for individuals to mingle and enjoy appetizers. If you would like to attend, please reach out to Christina Haggerty.

Compensation Study Update

Dr. Gabbard presented the update on the compensation study.

Upcoming MCC Events

Dr. Gabbard shared upcoming campus events with the Board of Trustees.

7. BOARD POLICY CHANGES-SECOND READING, 1.15.1 BOARD RETREAT AND SELF-EVALUATION

The Board of Trustees reviewed the edited version from first reading and made more edits. A final version will be on the Board meeting agenda for approval.

8. PRELIMINARY SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta provided a recap of the September financial statements. Questions and discussion followed.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Trustee Allen asked if we have a meeting with Southern about their programs. The college has a meeting with Southern the following day.

Trustee Reinhard appreciated the conversation about the projections and budget and the openness about it. It was a nice and candid conversation.

Chair Hoban thought it's amazing to get LEED Gold certification as it is very significant. As we talk about a potential decline in enrollment, the fact that CATI is here it's going to be drawing a different type of students. She couldn't go to the President's dinner but heard great things about the event.

Trustee Speros asked for an update on the requested AI presentation. Dr. Gabbard informed her that there is training going on and it would be great to bring someone for a presentation in early 2025.

Trustee Fulk was impressed with the compensation presentation. She applauded the college for not just doing the research but being able to step it up in equity in compensation.

Trustee Walsh attended the President's Dinner. She applauded the team that put the event together. It was a great event and glad to hear that we raised money.

Trustee Kueffner has a friend whose daughter graduated from MCC and has enrolled for the Fall semester at the University Center at MCC. She also was curious how many of our dual credit students are from home school communities.

Trustee Morton attended the Hall of Human Origins and it was fantastic. He noted that he had never seen that many people at an event.

10. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:16 pm Vice Chair Morton asked for a motion to move into Closed Session under Illinois Open Meetings Act 120/2 (c), Exception # 1 Personnel (President's Evaluation) #21-Review of Closed Session Minutes. Trustee Reinhard motioned; Trustee Allen seconded. On a roll call all were in favor.

11. ACCEPTANCE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: October 15, 2024 Committee of the Whole Closed Session Minutes.

Motion: Move that the Board of Trustees approve the closed session minutes from October 15, 2024 COTW Meeting. Chair Hoban motioned; Trustee Walsh seconded. Motion approved.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Vice Chair Morton declared the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m. Trustee Allen moved, Trustee Reinhard seconded.

Denisa J. Shallo, Recording Secretary

Alyssa Kueffner, Board Secretary