

Illinois Community College Board

APPROVAL OF FY21 ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD GOALS

On August 19, 2020, the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) held its annual retreat for Board Members to review and revise the current Board goals. The discussion focused on progress made on goals, current issues for the community college system, including equity considerations and COVID-19 support for the community college system. Listed below are the recommended goals that emerged from that conversation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following goal statement and three Board goals for fiscal year 2021:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby affirms the mission of the state's 48 colleges to provide all Illinois residents with opportunities for economic and personal growth, civic engagement, and cultural awareness through a commitment to the following three goals.

- Goal 1: Support minority, first generation, and low-income students across urban, rural, and suburban communities, through the promotion of evidence-based best practices that results in system wide improvement of equity metrics that reduce equity gaps.
- Goal 2: Support a seamless transition for students into and through postsecondary education and the workforce by fostering system engagement and equitable access and outcomes for these students.
- Goal 3: Contribute to economic development by supporting the Illinois community college system's effort to provide robust workforce training, to expand apprenticeships, to increase credential attainment, to build quality career pathways, and to address the future needs of the Illinois workforce.

The Board will implement its goals with a focus and commitment to equitable access, opportunities, and outcomes for all students. The Board will promote best practices, enable evidence-based decision-making, and support system-wide continuous improvement.