

Illinois Community College Board

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Minutes of the 394<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the  
Illinois Community College Board  
Kennedy-King College  
6343 South Halsted  
Chicago, IL

September 16, 2011

The following minutes were approved by the Illinois Community College Board on Friday, November 4, 2011 as recorded:

**Item #1 – Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum**

Chairman Giannoulis called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Allison Ray called roll and the following Board members were present: Guy Alongi, Randy Barnette, Michael Dorf, James Dumas, Alexi Giannoulis, Suzanne Morris, Tom Pulver, Jake Rendleman, and Edgar Maldonado, Student Board member. Board member Victor Henderson joined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

**Item #2 – Announcements and Remarks by Board Chair**

Chairman Giannoulis reported that the Board had a very productive day at yesterday's Work Session. Chairman Giannoulis is thrilled to be with the Board and working with outstanding individuals. The ICCB staff was thanked for the hard work they do, with hopes they remain committed and continue to work hard for the Board. and Chairman Giannoulis noted there is a lot of work to do, he is happy with the progress that has been made and looks forward to making progress together to help a lot of people. New Board member Michael Dorf was welcomed to the Board by Chairman Giannoulis.

Chairman Giannoulis took a moment to recognize Guy Alongi, past Chairman of the ICCB. Mr. Alongi was thanked for his leadership and did a phenomenal job as Chairman of the ICCB. Chairman Giannoulis recognized that Mr. Alongi genuinely cares about the Board and the community colleges and has already left an enormous imprint on the Board. Chairman Giannoulis looks forward to working with Mr. Alongi. In honor of Mr. Alongi's services as Chairman, Chairman Giannoulis, on behalf of the ICCB Board and staff, presented Mr. Alongi with a plaque recognizing his leadership and contribution to the Board and the community college system.

**Item #3 – Board Member Comments**

Randy Barnette was happy to have Chairman Giannoulis and Michael Dorf on the ICCB Board. Mr. Barnette welcomed both individuals to the Board and noted there are challenges ahead, but knows they are both open to meeting them.

James Dumas was grateful to be at the Board meeting and thanked Kennedy-King for their hospitality. He also welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and Michael Dorf to the Board.

Jake Rendleman thanked Kennedy-King for their hospitality and welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and Michael Dorf. Mr. Rendleman also thanked Guy Alongi for his work and service for the Board and the students of the community college system.

Suzanne Morris welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and Michael Dorf to the Board. Ms. Morris also thanked Guy Alongi for his service and thanked Kennedy-King for hosting the Board.

Victor Henderson entered the Board meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Edgar Maldonado welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and Michael Dorf and noted he was very excited to continue working to serve the community college system.

Tom Pulver thanked Chairman Giannoulis for joining the ICCB. Mr. Pulver noted the Illinois Community College System is excellent and he also welcomed Edgar Maldonado and Michael Dorf for their first meetings.

Guy Alongi congratulated Chairman Giannoulis on his appointment and welcomed Michael Dorf and Edgar Maldonado to the Board. Mr. Alongi also thanked the ICCB staff for their work and the ICCB Board members for sticking behind him. Also thanked was Suzanne Morris for serving as Vice Chair of the ICCB.

Victor Henderson stated that when he was approached to serve on the Board he made it clear that first and foremost, the students of community colleges receiving an education are his interest. The interests of the students shall be first and foremost in our minds and he agrees with Mr. Alongi that the ICCB staff is phenomenal. Mr. Henderson also welcomed Michael Dorf and Edgar Maldonado to the Board and thanked Mr. Alongi for a job well done.

Michael Dorf commented that he was honored to be on the Board and is looking forward to meeting everyone. This is an exciting Board to be on and he is looking forward to his years on the Board.

**Item #4 – Welcome Remarks from Interim President, Derrick Harden, Kennedy-King College**

Derrick Harden welcomed everyone to the new Kennedy-King College campus and introduced fellow presidents from City Colleges of Chicago Jim Palos, President of Wright College and Reagan Romali, President of Truman College. Mr. Harden considered it a privilege as a new president to host the ICCB and was happy to meet many people at the Presidents' Council meeting in Springfield last week and over the last two days. The students of the Washburne Culinary Institute prepared the dinner enjoyed last night. The students in the program are working towards a certificate or an Associate's degree in culinary arts. Many of the students, once finished at Kennedy-King, go on to work in some of the finest hotels and restaurants in the surrounding communities. Mr. Harden will also present the Presidents' Council remarks later during the Board meeting.

**Item #5 – President/CEO Report**

Geoff Obrzut welcomed Chairman Giannoulis to the ICCB and Michael Dorf and Edgar Maldonado as well. Guy Alongi was thanked for his contributions to the Board over the past years. Thanks were extended to Kennedy-King, Derrick Harden and Chancellor Cheryl Hyman for their hospitality over the past two days. Senator Edward Maloney was thanked for his strong leadership in the General Assembly. Mr. Obrzut noted that there are still two vacancies on the ICCB Board and hopefully the Governor's office will soon fill those vacancies. Also thanked was Allison Ray for her hard work over the past weeks preparing items for the Work Session and Board meeting.

Recently, Suzanne Morris and Mr. Obrzut met with Miguel del Valle, Chairman of the P-20 Council and new board member for the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC). Ms. Morris and Mr. Obrzut discussed the ISAC Monetary Award Program (MAP) and expressed their concerns for future changes to the program for community college students.

Mr. Obrzut thanked Tom Pulver and Randy Barnette for their participation in the Performance Based Funding meetings that are taking place.

Through Mr. Obrzut's involvement with the National Council of State Directors of Community

Colleges (NCSDDC) Mr. Obrzut will soon distribute a survey to some Illinois community colleges for the Mississippi River Consortium (MRC). For Illinois to join this consortium, along with other states along the Mississippi River basin, will allow the MRC to explore economic development opportunities. The first meeting of the MRC will take place this fall, hopefully at Lewis & Clark Community College.

Mr. Obrzut will attend a pension reform meeting this afternoon. Speaker of the House, Michael Madigan, has arranged a series of such meetings to discuss possible pension reforms.

This past week, September 12-16 was national Adult Education Week and Mr. Obrzut highlighted various activities that took place across the state to celebrate Adult Education.

Condolences were expressed to the family of Dr. Gena Proulx, President of Joliet Junior College (JJC). Dr. Proulx passed away in August due to cancer and will be greatly missed at JJC and in the community college system.

## **Item #6 – Committee Reports**

### **Item #6.1 – Academic Affairs and Workforce Development Committee**

Tom Pulver provided an update regarding the following items:

Illinois Basic Skills Test (IBST) - The pass scores of the test have recently increased and in order to assist students that wish to take the test ICCB has developed a “Preparing for the IBST” course. The course has gone through a pre-approval and will be offered at all colleges that wish to participate.

Redesign of Developmental Education - Several issues are involved including how to facilitate newly required remedial work and looking at modulization, implementing credit courses, contextualizing instruction, and redesigning comprehensive student support services.

Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Highway Construction Careers Program – This has experienced a very successful initial construction phase and IDOT has approached ICCB for continued training.

### **Item #6.2 – Fiscal and Personnel**

Suzanne Morris asked Ellen Andres, Chief Financial Officer to provide an update on the proposed Funding Formula change.

Ms. Andres stated that last year the ICCB chose to freeze the funding formula for a year and asked for a committee to be formed to change the funding formula. ICCB brought together advocates from the system, a couple of meetings have been held and the formula was explored and now the result is going to the Presidents’ Council and Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA) for consideration. Ms. Andres noted since the formula is residual, as tuition increases, it also decreases the amount funded by the state which has resulted in decreased reimbursements for provided courses. Once approved by the Presidents’ Council and ICCTA, the proposed funding formula will come to the ICCB for discussion and a vote, which Ms. Andres suspects will occur in November or January.

Ms. Andres reported that for Fiscal Year 2011 the community colleges are awaiting 20 percent of payments from the state, but those funds should be paid by December 31. For Fiscal Year 2012, the Comptroller’s Office is holding about 25 percent of current payments. Ms. Andres noted that this also compounds the funding problems for the community colleges because not only are they underfunded, but also they are paid late. There are a couple of colleges with a large percentage of Monetary Award Program

(MAP) students that are not receiving those funds in a timely manner, which puts those colleges at an even greater disadvantage because they are owed the state funds and are missing the tuition funds for the MAP students.

Guy Alongi asked how much money the equalization colleges are owed.

Ms. Andres replied that for Fiscal Year 2011, there is about \$32 million owed to the colleges, but for the current year, it is up to date. She reported that last year the equalization grants were paid out of the General Revenue Fund (GRF) and this year they are paid out of the Education Assistance Fund.

Suzanne Morris reported that there is an item that requires action from the Board regarding clarification of the Employee Guide Book.

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by James Dumas, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the President/CEO to make changes to Section IV, Number 10 of the Employee Guidebook as follows:

**“IV. 10. VACATION**

Vacation time is accrued incrementally during the calendar year per pay period and cannot be used before it is accrued.

Vacation compensation policy is applicable to all full-time employees who work a minimum of thirty-seven and one-half (37.5) hours per week. Vacation benefits will be pro-rated for part time employees.

**Employees Vacation Schedule:**

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Annual Vacation Time</u>
<u>Less than 0- 3</u>	22 days
<u>3 years to less than 4- 6</u>	23 days
<u>6 years to less than 7- 10</u>	25 days
10+	28 days

“Years of Service” is calculated based on employees’ anniversary date with the state; therefore, employees begin to accrue vacation at the appropriate “Years of Service” level on that date at ICCB. If the employee has a break in service with the State, only those years of actual state service count towards “Years of Service” for calculating vacation accrual.

All vacation requests are subject to approval by the employee’s immediate supervisor to ensure adequate coverage for the department. Except in emergency situations, vacation request must be approved by the employee’s supervisor prior to the employee taking the requested day of vacation.

An employee may accumulate, or “roll-over”, vacation at the end of ICCB’s fiscal year (June 30th). The amount that may be “rolled over” shall not exceed twice the amount of annual vacation the employee receives as of the date the vacation is “rolled-over.” Employees may not “cash out” vacation on June 30. Therefore, any vacation that exceeds the maximum “rollover amount” will be lost.

Employees who are terminated, resign, or retire may use accumulated vacation time prior to the last day of employment with supervisor approval. Employees may not use accumulated sick time in order to extend their final date of employment. Any remaining accumulated vacation days will be paid during the pay period following the one in which the official separation occurs. Current compensation will be used to calculate payout.

A maximum of ten (10) days of unused and unpaid vacation may be transferred to the ICCB from another reciprocal state agency/department.”

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

**Item #6.3 – External Affairs**

Jake Rendleman reported that the committee is working on forming a committee to look at redundancy within the community college system. The committee will involve the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA), Presidents’ Council, Illinois Community College Faculty Association (ICCFA), and other ICCB entities to form some recommendations.

The other item of discussion was the upcoming Fall Veto Session.

**Item #6.4 - Adult Education and Institutional Report**

No report provided at this time.

**Item #6.5 – Student Relations**

Edgar Maldonado reported the ICCB has partnered with the Springfield Veterans Center to do a two year tour visiting all 39 community college districts with their Mobile Vet Center. The Mobile Vet Center is the Department of Veterans Affairs latest effort to reach the underserved veteran populations of rural America. Their primary mission is to help veterans readjust to civilian life. They do that by helping the veteran identify problems and then offering individual, family, and group counseling for a host of issues. Vet Centers provide readjustment counseling and outreach services to all veterans who served in any combat zone. Services are also available for their family members for military related issues.

There was also discussion during the SAC meeting about contacting the alumni associations at the colleges throughout the state.

The Student Advisory Committee voted new officers and they are as follows:

**Executive Committee**

Chair - Mandy Little, John A. Logan College

Vice-Chair - Justin McDermott, William Rainey Harper College

Recording Officer - Kristina Skharuba, William Rainey Harper College

ICCTA Liaison - Ashley Turner, City Colleges of Chicago

**Subcommittee Chairs**

Awards and Recognition - Kristina Skharuba, William Rainey Harper College

Local Issues - Dustin Good, Elgin Community College

Outreach - Justin McDermott, William Rainey Harper College

Legislative - Kayla Randolph-Clark, Joliet Junior College

**ICCB Advisory Committees**

MIS/Research - Jonathan Nelson, Heartland Community College

Finance - Ray Guttendorf, Parkland Community College

Program - Dustin Good, Elgin Community College

## **Item #7 – Advisory Organization Reports**

### **Item #7.4 – Presidents’ Council**

Derrick Harden reported that many of the topics at the last Presidents’ Council meeting were organizational in nature, reviewing committee memberships and updating task forces on current issues. An update was received from ICCB staff on the Illinois Longitudinal Data System (ILDS), the Illinois Higher Education Consortium (IHEC), legislative issues and the political climate, and Complete College America.

President Allen Goben from Heartland Community College is the representative for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) 21st Century Commission on the Future of Community Colleges. Dr. Goben provided a report on the future mission of community colleges and eight topics of national interest.

Two Presidents’ Council committees, legislative and public relations/marketing, will work with the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA) to strengthen impact and action over the next year.

City Colleges of Chicago past Presidents Chuck Guengerich, Lynn Walker and Ghingo Brooks were presented plaques for their service.

Future issues of focus for the Presidents’ Council include the ICCB funding formula, Monetary Award Program (MAP) for students, State Universities Retirement System (SURS) reform, Performance Based Funding, transfer/articulation, and funding for the Illinois Green Economy Network (IGEN).

### **Item #7.1 – Latino Advisory Committee**

Lizette Richardson reported that the committee’s last meeting was on September 13 and it was informative and productive. There were updates provided about the Illinois DREAM Act, National Adult Education Week, and the Accelerating Opportunities grant. The committee was able to review the new webpage for the Latino Advisory committee and the highlight of the meeting was the student panel that met after Joliet Junior College’s presentation. The students shared their successes, challenges and future dreams.

### **Item #7.2 – Illinois Community College Faculty Association**

Dr. Linda Hefferin reported that the last several months have been spent preparing for the annual Teaching and Learning Conference that will be held on October 20-21 in Springfield and all Board members are invited to attend the conference. Lieutenant Governor Sheila Simon will speak at the conference on the role of community colleges. There will be many sessions held over the course of the two-day conference including sessions on Performance Based Funding, the Illinois Green Economy Network (IGEN), online teaching, and higher education legislation. Dr. Hefferin thanked the ICCB staff including Todd Jorns, Brian Durham, Dr. Elaine Johnson, and Becky Sanders for their help with the Teaching and Learning Conference. This year’s conference will present 16 \$1,000 scholarships and multiple grants and Teaching and Learning Excellence awards. Guy Alongi will be recognized this year and Dr. Hefferin thanked Mr. Alongi for all of his help with the ICCFA through the years.

ICCFA will review its constitution and by-laws at the delegates assembly held during the conference. Dr. Elaine Johnson was thanked for her participation in soliciting ICCFA faculty involvement on various committees throughout the state.

Mr. Alongi updated Chairman Giannoulis on his past involvement in gaining the participation of the community colleges via payment of dues to the ICCFA and requested

that Chairman Giannoulis stay involved as well. Dr. Johnson reported that there is only one college that has not paid ICCFA dues for this year.

**Item #7.3 – Illinois Community College System Foundation**

Tom Pulver provided an update on the current members of the ICCSF. The construction and renovation of the Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center is complete. The third floor is occupied by the ICCB and the fourth floor is in the final stages of being leased by a large insurance firm for just over 5,000 square feet and a legal firm for another 1,500 square feet. More details will follow when everything is confirmed.

The ICCSF purchasing consortium has been in existence for about four years has been well received by the colleges and continues to do well. The ICCSF continues to provide scholarships to all 48 community colleges in the state. In the past, the ICCSF has been able to provide \$250,000 worth of scholarships in one year and major scholarships currently being provided include the State Farm Education Teacher scholarship, a healthcare scholarship and an Illinois Association Fire Protection District scholarship among many others.

**Item #7.5 – Illinois Community College Trustees Association**

Mike Monaghan welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and the new Board members on behalf of the ICCTA. The ICCTA looks forward to working with the Board and appreciates the work and accomplishments of past-Chairman Guy Alongi.

Mr. Monaghan gave a brief history and outlined the various duties of the ICCTA for the community colleges in Illinois. The ICCTA last met in Springfield a couple of weeks ago and discussed issues that are important to community colleges and may receive attention during the upcoming veto session. Those items include the Community College Health Insurance Program (CIP) and possible changes to the State University Retirement System (SURS). The ICCTA also adopted a resolution of support for the reappointment of Jake Rendleman to the ICCB. Mr. Rendleman is the ICCTA representative on the ICCB Board and the position is required by statute. ICCTA appreciates the opportunity to serve on the Performance Based Funding committees for the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) and the ICCB.

The next meeting of the ICCTA will be November 11 in Chicago at the Marriott on Michigan Avenue.

**Item #7.6 – Adult Education and Family Literacy Council**

Peggy Heinrich welcomed Chairman Giannoulis and reported that the next meeting of the Council will be September 29. Items of focus for the meeting will include the development of recommendations to move the Adult Education Strategic Plan forward and the Fiscal Year 2011 recommendations will be reviewed and considered for implementation. The same policy areas will be maintained for the structure of the Council and include curriculum and instruction; research, data, and accountability; and assessment. Additional areas, such as GED testing, may be added. ICCB will work with the Council on the alignment of the Adult Basic and Secondary Education Content Standards to the Common Core Standards. This will ensure alignment with Adult Education for college readiness purposes. The Fiscal Year 2011 and Fiscal Year 2012 members will remain the same for continuity.

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At this time, Chairman Giannoulis recognized Julie Smith, Deputy Chief of Staff for Governor Quinn and Senator Edward Maloney. Chairman Giannoulis asked Senator Maloney to speak about Performance Based Funding, which some of the members of the Board have questions about.

Senator Maloney thanked Guy Alongi for his service to the Board and thanked the Board members for their cooperation with him as they move forward to create an atmosphere among community colleges to improve and benefit the citizens of the state of Illinois. Senator Maloney welcomed and thanked Chairman Giannoulis for his commitment and he is convinced of the Chairman's enthusiasm and dedication, necessary ingredients for success.

Items of importance that Senator Maloney discussed included the importance of community colleges, the changing focus of community colleges throughout the years and the issues facing education today, including remediation and affordability. Senator Maloney would like the higher education community to be more aggressive about what it does for the state and reach out to local legislators more, which would raise the priority of higher education for the state.

Chairman Giannoulis asked if the community colleges are reaching out to their legislators and getting them engaged on their campuses.

Geoffrey Obrzut noted that many of the colleges are and some hold legislative events and many invite the legislators to events at the colleges.

Chairman Giannoulis asked for ICCB staff to try and determine how the colleges are involved with their legislators.

Senator Maloney next addressed Performance Based Funding and he provided a background on the concept and detailed the hopeful results. According to the senator, accountability is at the forefront of everyone's minds with Performance Based Funding. The concept is very broad based in the legislation and it does leave the final determination to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE). However, all of higher education will have input on the metrics, and meetings have been held and will continue to be held for input regarding the legislation and the final performance indicators. States that have had success with similar processes have advised to keep things simple and there is recognition that universities and community colleges should be treated differently. It will not focus solely on graduation increases, but on improvements in different ways, in different areas, for different individual institutions. In regards to appropriating funds for Performance Based Funding, the emphasis will be on progression, it will start at a very small amount, and there needs to be some sort of incentive. The legislation is not intended to punish or threaten anyone and any institution that is doing its job will benefit from Performance Based Funding.

Discussion took place regarding affordability, the Public Agenda and the Performance Based Funding committee meetings taking place. It was emphasized that nothing is off the table yet and no decisions have been made.

#### **Item #8 – Work Session Recommendations**

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Guy Alongi, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the President/CEO to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Illinois Pathways Initiative.

Discussion took place regarding the motion and Randy Barnette requested that the motion be amended for the contract to reflect that the Chairman of the ICCB make the appointment versus the President/CEO. Chairman Giannoulis stated that he discussed this with Geoff Obrzut, and Mr. Obrzut's concern was that if other agency CEO's are making appointments that the ICCB

does not want to make things look different. Chairman Giannoulis asked Mr. Obrzut to work on this with him and Mr. Obrzut agreed.

Mr. Barnette agreed to withdraw his amendment.

The following change was made to the minutes and approved on Friday, November 4, 2011:

~~The motion passed via unanimous voice vote.~~ The motion passed via majority voice vote and Randy Barnette voted present. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

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Chairman Giannoulis discussed the items he mentioned during the Work Session regarding an increase in outreach and interaction with the business community and increasing alumni relations as well. Chairman Giannoulis proposed creating a new committee to reach out to business leaders, communities, and employers to start working on building and increasing relationships and focus upon where the next generation of jobs are coming from and get them engaged. Board members that would like to serve on the new committee or wish to switch committees need to speak with Chairman Giannoulis.

Suzanne Morris liked the ideas and would like to serve on one of the committees.

Jake Rendleman noted that alumni relations was discussed during the Student Relations committee yesterday and mentioned the relationship that John A. Logan College has with various businesses in the area.

Chairman Giannoulis asked if the alumni relations issue should be addressed in Student Relations or separately.

Discussion took place on how to handle alumni relations and it was noted that the colleges' goals for alumni are different from how the ICCB could approach alumni.

Chairman Giannoulis asked to fold the alumni relations into the Student Relations committee and go from there after the next meeting.

Randy Barnette mentioned that it seems Chairman Giannoulis is discussing something different from what is being heard and Chairman Giannoulis agreed. Mr. Barnette suggested finding some best practices from the colleges with this idea and build upon those examples.

Chairman Giannoulis asked for Board members that wished to play a larger role in this and suggested Randy Barnette and Victor Henderson to join the committee. Mr. Barnette asked External Affairs to be involved with this and Chairman Giannoulis agreed.

**Item #9 – New Units of Instruction**

Tom Pulver exited the Board meeting at 10:37 a.m. and returned at 10:43 a.m.

Jake Rendleman made a motion, which was seconded by Randy Barnette, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

**PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL**

**College of DuPage**

- Fashion Apparel Production A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)

- Fashion Apparel Production Certificate (42 credit hours)

#### Frontier Community College

- Paramedicine A.A.S. degree (62.5 credit hours)
- Paramedic Certificate (47.5 credit hours)

#### Illinois Central College

- Carpenter's Apprentice Certificate (36 credit hours)

#### Kaskaskia College

- Horticulture Science A.A.S. degree (72 credit hours)
- Welding Technology A.A.S. degree (67 credit hours)

#### Moraine Valley Community College

- Addictions Studies A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)

#### Richland Community College

- Health Information Technology A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)
- Coding Specialist Certificate (41 credit hours)

#### Triton College

- Beverage Management Certificate (32 credit hours)

#### John Wood Community College

- Construction Technology A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)

#### TEMPORARY PROGRAM APPROVAL

##### Heartland Community College

- Sport Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)

##### Lake Land College

- Renewable Energy Certificate (35 credit hours)

##### Triton College

- Independent Building Contractor A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)
- Facilities Engineering Technology A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)
- Facilities Engineering Technology Certificate (33 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

Randy Barnette discussed the program approval process for community colleges, especially the submittal of the course to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE). Mr. Barnette noted how the process is lengthened by submitting the courses to the IBHE. Chairman Giannoulis asked if there was a statutory requirement for the process and asked how the process slows the colleges down.

Dr. Johnson replied that it does and perhaps the initial purpose was due to an articulation issue.

Chairman Giannoulis agreed with Mr. Barnette.

Dr. Johnson stated that it has become faster.

Chairman Giannoulis thought it was something to look into.

Mr. Henderson felt there is probably a reason behind the process and Chairman Giannoulis

asked if the IBHE has ever not approved a course. Dr. Johnson stated no, the IBHE has always approved the course, but there have been questions about programs that have needed approval because they were previously eliminated, but that is the way that the ICCB process is conducted for programs that are no longer needed.

Mr. Barnette restated that is why the statute needs to be reviewed, and the ICCB should be the terminal place to go. He questioned that perhaps this process exists because the IBHE existed before the ICCB.

Chairman Giannoulis respects where Mr. Henderson is coming from and will bring the subject up at the next IBHE meeting. He will also inform the IBHE that the ICCB is considering making a formal recommendation or request to change the course and program approval process.

#### **Item #10 – Illinois Community College Board Recognition of Community Colleges**

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Suzanne Morris, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby grants a status of “recognition continued” to the following districts:

William Rainey Harper College  
College of Lake County  
Oakton Community College  
John Wood Community College

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yea.

Guy Alongi asked about a possible motion regarding adding the Clery Act to the recognition manual. Jake Rendleman stated that staff will explore the issue and report back on adding the Clery Act to recognition.

#### **Item #11 – Proposed Rule Change – College of DuPage**

Ken Florey, from the law firm of Nicholas, Schwartz, Lifton and Taylor asked to address the Board for his client, the College of DuPage. The College of DuPage is requesting a change in ICCB’s Administrative Rules regarding the construction of buildings on community college campuses. The desired rule change affects the construction process, specifically which building codes and construction codes the colleges must comply with. One aspect of the rule is that community colleges must design their projects in accordance with more strict local building codes. He suggests this may have been put in place so more strict building codes would be followed. He said inconsistencies have been created causing problems with various municipalities and the community colleges. Mr. Florey presented a proposal and would like the Board to initiate the process to change the Administrative Rules.

Suzanne Morris asked for discussion or comment on the issue.

Tom Pulver voiced that many of the colleges reside in communities, and virtually all colleges have satellite campuses. In the case of COD, their main campus is in a residential area. Mr. Pulver stated that in other college districts, intergovernmental agreements have been created to appease both entities. He fears if the rule is changed, the ICCB may be taking the “community” away from the where the colleges reside. Mr. Pulver is opposed to the change.

Guy Alongi noted that community colleges are local units of government, and they should operate within the locality they are established. He stated that one local unit of government is fighting another, and the college wants the ICCB to change the regulation to positively affect

their project. He emphasized that this change can also affect every other college and municipality in the state. It seems there are often exceptions to the rule where if COD would like to change something to affect only COD, Mr. Alongi would maybe support it. He stated that at this time he opposes any change or regulation that would affect all of the colleges.

Chairman Giannoulis thanked Mr. Florey for his recommendation and this issue will be sent to External Affairs to determine what kind of action is warranted.

**Item #12 – Consent Agenda**

Jake Rendleman made a motion, which was seconded by Tom Pulver, to approve the following items:

**Item #12.1 – Minutes of the June 3, 2011 Board Meeting**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Board minutes of the June 3, 2011, meeting as recorded.

**Item #12.2 – Minutes of the June 3, 2011 Executive Session**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Executive Session minutes of the June 3, 2011, Executive Session as recorded.

**Item #12.3 – Certification on Eligibility for Special Tax Levy**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby certifies that the following community college districts were (1) eligible to receive equalization grants either in fiscal year 2011 or fiscal year 2012 and (2) had combined educational and operations and maintenance purposes tax rates less than 25.21 cents per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation and are, therefore, eligible to levy at a combined educational and operations and maintenance purposes rate up to and including 25.21 cents per \$100 of equalization assessed valuation in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14.3 of the Public Community College Act:

Black Hawk College  
Heartland Community College  
Illinois Central College  
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges  
Illinois Valley Community College  
Kankakee Community College  
Kaskaskia College  
Lake Land College  
Lewis and Clark Community College  
Moraine Valley Community College  
Rend Lake College  
Carl Sandburg College  
Southwestern Illinois College  
Spoon River College  
John Wood Community College

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

**Item #13 – Information Items**

The following items were presented to the Board members for review:

**Item #13.1 – Fiscal Year 2012 Financial Statements**

**Item #13.2 – Fiscal Year 2011 Financial Statements**

**Item #14 – Executive Session**

Suzanne Morris made a motion, which was seconded by Tom Pulver, to approve the following motion:

I move to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations between the Illinois Community College Board and Local 6348 IFT/AFT, AFL/CIO, contract and personnel matters, review of Executive Session minutes and the American Council of Education settlement agreement and release which qualifies as acceptable exceptions under 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to hold a closed session.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Guy Alongi	Yea	Suzanne Morris	Yea
Randy Barnette	Yea	Thomas Pulver	Yea
Michael Dorf	Yea	Jake Rendleman	Yea
James Dumas	Yea	Edgar Maldonado	Yea
Victor Henderson	Yea	Alexi Giannoulis	Yea

The motion was approved and the Board entered Executive Session at 10:58 a.m.

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Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by James Dumas, to reconvene into Public Session at 11:37 a.m.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Guy Alongi	Yea	Suzanne Morris	Yea
Randy Barnette	Yea	Thomas Pulver	Yea
Michael Dorf	Yea	Jake Rendleman	Absent
James Dumas	Yea	Edgar Maldonado	Yea
Victor Henderson	Yea	Alexi Giannoulis	Yea

The motion was approved.

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Alexi Giannoulis made a motion, which was seconded by James Dumas, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the Vice President of Adult Education and Institutional Support to enter into a trademark settlement agreement between the American Council of Education and Western Illinois University for purposes of the GED-i name change.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

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Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Guy Alongi, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby determines that minutes of its executive sessions held on March 25, 2005; April 22, 2005; June 17, 2005; September 16, 2005; September 21, 2005; September 15, 2006; November 17, 2006; January 22, 2007; February 26, 2007; March 26, 2007; June 8, 2007; May 19, 2008; September 19, 2008; July 17, 2009; September 18, 2009; November 20, 2009; January 27, 2010; March 26, 2010; June 4, 2010; January 28, 2011; March 18, 2011; and June 3, 2011 are to remain confidential. All other executive session minutes have been made available for public inspection.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.

**Item #15 – Other Business**

There was no Other Business at this time.

**Item #16 – Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment at this time.

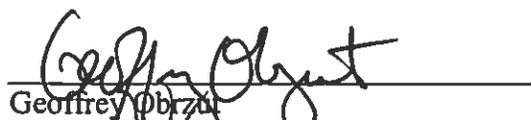
**Item #17 – Adjournment**

James Dumas made a motion, which was seconded by Tom Pulver, to adjourn the Board meeting at 11:39 p.m.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student Advisory vote: Yea.



Alexi Giannoulis  
Chair

  
Geoffrey Obrzut  
President and Chief Executive Officer