

Agenda Item #10.1
January 23, 2015

APPROVED

Minutes of the 410th
Meeting of the
Illinois Community College Board

2nd Floor Conference Room
401 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL

November 21, 2014

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Board minutes of the November 21, 2014 meeting as recorded.

Item #1 – Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Vice Chair Suzanne Morris called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and asked Ann Knoedler to call roll. The following Board members were present: Randy Barnette, Terry Bruce, Michael Dorf, Jonathan Jackson, Thomas Pulver, Rudy Valdez, Guy Alongi, Teresa Garate, Jake Rendleman and Martin Nall. A quorum was declared. Board member Alexi Giannoulis was absent.

Item #2 – Announcements and Remarks by Suzanne Morris, Board Vice Chair

Ms. Morris asked for comments from the Board members.

Item #3 – Board Members Comments

There were no Board member comments at this time.

Item #4 – Executive Director Report

Dr. Karen Anderson started by congratulating Ms. Morris on being appointed as the new President of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC). The Compact is made up of the 12 Midwest states. The annual meeting will be located in Illinois, the home state of the President of MHEC, in November of 2015 and will focus on Adult Learners.

The National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP) held their 2014 Conference in late October in Chicago. The conference promoted Dual Credit in Illinois and had 800 attendees. The next president of NACEP will be Kent Scheffel, administrator at Lewis and Clark Community College.

The Economic Impact Study will be released on November 13th. It is also item #10.2 on the agenda.

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In January, on the statewide level, the ICCB will be involved in working on and rolling out the Workforce Education Strategic Plan. On the National level, Illinois has received one Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) Grant. The money will be going to a consortia consisting of Lincoln Land Community College, Lewis and Clark Community College, Carl Sandburg College, and Southeastern Community College for bio-economy. On the Federal level, ICCB will be working on the implementation of the new Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act (WIOA).

Dr. Anderson received an invitation to the White House in December to continue participation in President Obama's call to action through ICCB commitments to increase college opportunities for low-income students.

Dr. Anderson and Brian Durham gave a brief update on the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) Testing. A more in depth presentation will be given during a Board meeting in 2015.

Item #5 – Advisory Organizations

Item #5.1 – Illinois Council of Community College Presidents (ICCCP)

Dr. Tom Choice stated that during the last ICCCP meeting, the presidents focused on the following areas:

- Common Core and Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) Initiatives
- Offering Baccalaureate degrees through Illinois community colleges

Item #5.2 – Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA)

Mike Monaghan updated the Board on the following areas:

- Recent College elections – there were no real changes
- General Assembly – raising the income tax
- Pension reform – the judge should be making a decision today at 2:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held in Washington, D.C. on February 9-12. The regular scheduled meeting will be held on March 14 in Schaumburg.

Item #5.3 – Student Advisory Council (SAC)

Martin Nall stated the council met November 7-8 with 67 students in attendance. The Council discussed textbooks prices and undocumented students and the subcommittees decided on their projects.

The next meeting will be held on January 16-17 in Springfield.

Item #5.4 – Illinois Community College Faculty Association (ICCFA)

Krista Winters briefly stated that the ICCFA held the annual Conference on October 23 and 24. Attendance was low with a total of 77 attendees. The planning committee will meet today to debrief on the conference.

Item #6 - Committee Reports

Item #6.1 – Academic Affairs and Institutional Support

Tom Pulver stated that the Academic Affairs and Institutional Support committee did not meet; however, there are some updates the Board should be aware of:

Developmental Education Reform Agenda

- ICCB staff continued their efforts to develop a plan for reforming developmental education in the state, specifically focused on the implementation of co-requisite remedial models.
- To this end, the Developmental Education Advisory Committee, consisting of stakeholders from across the community college spectrum will be reconvened in January.
 - The first charge of this committee will be to review the co-requisite remedial model and to make recommendations to the Executive Director and the Board on how best to implement this model.
 - This is consistent with commitments that were made to the White House focused on co-requisite remediation.

P-20 Partnership Academy

- As a part of efforts to affect remedial reform in the state, the ICCB recently released the P-20 Partnership Academy application. Through this academy:
 - the ICCB is committed to highlighting the successful practices happening throughout the Illinois Community College System
 - and to ensure that other institutions are able to learn from these successes and share their own.
- For this year, the ICCB is partner with the Elgin Community College's Alliance for College Readiness and the leadership team at ECC that has led this work.
 - The award winning Alliance for College Readiness is an ECC initiative that brings together high school and college constituencies to address the preparedness of area high school students to compete and succeed in college.
 - The goal of this collaborative partnership between ECC and the public school districts in ECC's district is to ensure that all district young people are ready for college-level courses and can experience success after high school.
 - Members of the Alliance for College Readiness work in faculty and staff teams to
 - establish a common understanding of college and career readiness,
 - to better align curriculum and instruction

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- and to foster effective communication systems between students, educators, and parents.
- As a part of the Academy, colleges that participate will work with the ECC team to learn about implementation of their Alliance. This Partnership Academy is for colleges who want to start a partnership or continue to build on a partnership that already exists.
- Participants will have an opportunity to set their own goals and build/expand partnerships based on their local cultures & circumstances.
- Elgin Community College is receiving funds to conduct this academy through the Bridging the Gap project.
- Participating colleges will have their travel expenses covered to attend.

SARA

- IBHE is drafting the rules that will go to JCAR for the implementation of SARA (State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement).
- ICCB staff will review the proposed rules and have a chance to comment before submitted to JCAR in January.
- When JCAR signs off on The Rules, IBHE will make the SARA application to MHEC.
- It will probably be at least July 1, 2015 before any Illinois institution will be able to apply.
- ICCB will manage the community colleges participation in SARA.
- According to Jenny Park from MHEC, if IBHE charges a fee, the community colleges will also have to pay it because the national rules are set up so that you can't charge fees based on the class of college.
- ICCB is working with IBHE to determine if they have any flexibility on whether or not to charge fees to the community colleges and where those fees would go.

Item #6.2 - Adult Education and Workforce Development

Randy Barnette stated the committee did not meet; however, there are some updates the Board should be aware of:

Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA)

- The Act was signed into federal law on July 22, 2014. There are four core partners in the law: Title I – Department of Labor, which is DCEO in IL; Title II – Adult Education; Wagner Peyser; and Vocational Rehab. An emphasis has been placed on career pathways, alignment, collaboration, innovation, accountability and employer partnerships. A unified state plan must be developed by each state and is due March 2016. DCEO has formed several Taskforce Committees, and we are making sure that there is local representation on these groups. Draft WIOA regulations will be released in January 2015. The implementation date of the new law is July 1, 2015.

Workforce Education Strategic Plan

- The Plan is moving forward. The ICCB is partnering with DCEO and the Council of Presidents. We have a facilitator, Maher & Maher, who will conduct focus groups within the ten Economic Development Regions in the state. Our first meeting to begin the planning is in December 2014.

Illinois High School Equivalency Taskforce

- The Taskforce has been formed and the first meeting was held in November 2014. The committees focus is to take an in-depth look at all of the high school equivalency tests available and also to examine alternative ways to certify high school equivalency. The taskforce will meet a total of four times and will provide recommendations back to the ICCB on the spring.

Item #6.3 – External Affairs

Jake Rendleman gave an update on issues discussed during the committee meeting on the afternoon of November 18th:

Public Relations

- **Economic Impact Study:** The statewide community college Economic Impact Study was released to Thursday, November 17th to over 600 media contacts. ICCB has received coverage from radio/TV/newspapers throughout the state and will be working on organizing regional press releases in cooperation with local community colleges in the coming months. Plans also include a legislative briefing on the EIS sometime in early 2015.
- **Illinois Community College System 50th Anniversary (2015):** Plans underway for 50th anniversary video, ICCB staff met last week with a local company about doing the video production work. Tentatively planning to interview board members, advisory organizations, college presidents and others while people are in Springfield for the January board meeting. ICCTA has taken a lead on 50th anniversary planning and ICCB will lend assistance and support.

Legislation

- **Fall Veto Session Update:** Higher education leaders from IBHE, ISAC, ICCB, and public and private universities are working with legislature on formation of a Higher Education Caucus. An inaugural event is planned for December 2nd from 6:00-8:00 p.m. ICCB board members are invited and encouraged to attend if possible. All of ICCB's legislative proposals approved during spring session. ICCB is monitoring SB 3092 (Rep. Duruy) which includes new provisions on data sharing and data privacy between K-12 and higher education. ICCB has been part of negotiates with ISBE, IBHE, U. of I. and UIC.
- **Spring Legislative Proposals:** The external affairs committee discussed legislation to place authority for construction, budget, and academic program approval solely with the ICCB. The current law also requires IBHE to approve community college academic programs and for ICCB to provide budget and construction project proposals to IBHE. ICCB is going to work on draft legislation for discussion and possible vote at the January 2015 board meeting. We will also be reaching out to the ICCTA and President's Council for input and support of this legislation.
- **Federal Legislative Update:** Gainful employment rule for career education programs approved by U.S. Department of Education. The new rule does not include cohort based default rates as a measure colleges will be held liable for. This is good news for community colleges and the new rules only impact a handful of for profit colleges. Karen and Matt met with Senator Durbin's staff & discussed his participation in CTE caucus and dual credit legislation. Presentation at recent ACCT meeting discussed large amount of unused Pell grants, community colleges should make sure all student submit a FASFA form.

Item #6.4 - Fiscal, Personnel, Ethics and Conflict of Interest

Terry Bruce stated the committee met this morning and for informational purposes discussed the 2015 financial statements, current contractual obligations of the Board, and the status of the state payments to the colleges.

There were handouts distributed to the Board for their review.

The Board took a break at 10:33 a.m. and returned at 10:43 a.m.

Item #7 – Dual Credit Funding Study

As dual credit continues to expand in Illinois, understanding the cost to students as well as to institutions is an important component of maintaining accessible, high quality dual credit for those students able to demonstrate readiness for college level work. The ICCB in partnership with the Office of Community College Research and Leadership at the University of Illinois recently conducted a dual credit cost study with this goal in mind. This study was aimed at gaining a better understanding of ongoing cost models and perceptions of dual credit costs through the administration of an online survey of chief academic officers in Illinois community colleges. The results provide an important baseline of information for a more in depth analysis.

Brian Durham, Senior Director for Academic Affairs, gave a presentation to the Board.

Item #8 – New Units

Dr. Anderson took the opportunity to point out a few important details of a couple of the degrees being approved:

1. The Dental Assisting AAS degree at Kaskaskia College - The College currently offers a successful, related certificate program. Both the existing certificate and the proposed degree were developed according to the American Dental Association Commission of Dental Accreditation guidelines leading towards certification as a "Certified Dental Assistant." Once approved, this program will be the first Dental Assistant AAS in the State of Illinois offered at a community college.
2. The Petroleum Drilling Technology AAS degree at Lincoln Trail College - The College offers a related program that focuses on the "downstream" side of petroleum production, or the refining, processing & distribution of petroleum & its products. The proposed program complements the current offering by focusing on the "upstream" side of production, or the drilling, exploration & field technology skills used in the extraction process. The college partnered with Marathon Oil Company's Illinois Refining Division to develop these programs.

Item #8.1 – Kaskaskia College, Prairie State College, Rend Lake College, John Wood Community College

Thomas Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Rudy Valdez, to approve the following items:

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

PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL

Kaskaskia College

- Dental Assisting Associate of Applied Science A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)

Prairie State College

- Accounting and Business Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)

Rend Lake College

- Certified Medical Assistant A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)
- Certified Medical Assistant Certificate (36 credit hours)

John Wood Community College

- Logistics and Operations Management A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)
- Logistics Certificate (32 credit hours)
- Manufacturing Technology A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)

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

Item #8.2 – Illinois Eastern Community College: Lincoln Trail College

Thomas Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Randy Barnette, to approve the following items:

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

PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL

Lincoln Trail College

- Petroleum Drilling Technology A.A.S. degree (63 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Terry Bruce abstained. Student advisory vote: Yes. There was no discussion.

Item #9 – Consent Agenda

Randy Barnette made a motion, which was seconded by Rudy Valdez, to approve the consent agenda's following items:

Item #9.1 – Minutes of the September 19, 2014 Board Meeting

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Board minutes of the September 19, 2014 meeting as recorded.

Item #9.2 – Illinois Community College Board Committee Member Appointments

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to make appointments to the Finance Advisory Committee, the MIS/Research Advisory Committee, and the Program Advisory Committee.

Item #9.3 – Approval to Enter into Grant Agreements –Legislative Add-ons

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a grant agreement with Rock Valley College for \$400,000, as appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly in Article 5, Section 90, of Public Act 98-0678.

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The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes. There was no discussion.

Item #10 – Information Items

There was no discussion.

Item #10.1 - Fiscal Year 2015 Financial Statements

Item #10.2 - Economic Impact Study Final Report

Item #10.3 - 2014 Enrollment Report

Item #11 – Other Business

There was no other business.

Item #12 – Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Item #13 – Executive Session

The Board did not convene into Executive Session.

Item #14 – Adjournment

Terry Bruce made a motion, which was seconded by Randy Barnette, to adjourn the Board meeting at 11:22 a.m.

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

Suzanne Morris
Board Vice Chair

Karen Hunter Anderson, Ph.D.
Executive Director