

**ICCCSSO  
Fall Meeting Minutes  
Holiday Inn, Chicago  
November 17 and 19, 2004**

**Attendees:**

Cynthia, Armster, Russ Fahrner, Andrea Berryman, Barb Risse, John Avendano, Robert Marshall, Terry Crain, Joianne Smith, Mary Reaves, Jane Johnson, Steve Ullrick, Joan Kerber, Richard Massie, Sharon Wrenn, Larry Apperson, Pete Basola, Pam Clodfelter; Jeff Davidson; Karl Richards.

**Introductions:**

The President, Richard Massie called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 3.17 p.m. Each person introduced him or her self to the group.

**Secretary-Treasurer's Report**

The minutes were presented and after corrections, Bob Marshall made the motion and Russ Fahrner seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. The treasurer's report was presented. Bob Marshall made the motion to approve and John Avendano seconded. The motion carried.

**Reports**

**ISAC REPORT**

John Jennetten was our speaker. He discussed four areas of focus for ISAC.

1. ISAC's training programs for high school and college counselors will be held this fall. There are 1400 people signed up currently. He encouraged us to have all our admissions staff go this year.
2. College Zone outreach centers are in place. ISAC is reorganizing staff into a regional approach with College Outreach specialists. There has been a loss of staff positions, so they will be concentrating their efforts in areas of the state where there is low income, a large number of minorities, and late filers.
3. Illinois Mentor is in the process of being established. There will be online admissions applications, virtual tours and applications for financial aid. The system can be used in middle school and high school as students look for a college to attend. Eventually they will have the ability to exchange transcripts from high schools to colleges and then college to college though that is not anticipated for about five months. It will be paid for by revenues from the federal government for their work as guarantor for student loans. XAP will be developing the college info and loading it, and they will be the host for the web based system. ISAC pays for updates and changes. Carl Sandburg will be the first community college on line.
4. MAP has several areas of focus.
  - a. They are tracking eligibility with the 75 hour limit and will continue to research that.
  - b. The math formula supported by community colleges which would have given more aid to low income students was reversed in the legislature. Private schools got to the legislature and changes were halted so the formula reverted to the prior system. ISAC is now looking at Family Income Contribution rather than caps on tuition as a means of getting money to the lowest income students. Cohorts of students don't apply for financial aid and don't reapply the second and third years. Seventy-five percent of late applicants were sophomores, juniors and seniors. We all need to work on communication to these students.

- c. There are two staff members visiting schools regarding default prevention. ISAC is moving into the area of personal finance with seminars for students. Students have problems in all areas, i.e., alternative loans, credit card debt.

### ICCB REPORT

Andi Berryman and Barb Risse reported on items of interest.

1. The President's Council wants to keep the Financial Aid Task Force together and get more communication out to everyone.
2. SAC (Student Advisory Council) met and took up the issue of textbook rentals. There was a presentation by Kishwaukee and Lakeland representatives.
3. ORS (Office of Rehabilitation Services) cancelled the last two regular meetings. They are looking at coordinating a joint meeting.
4. Andi and IBHE and ISBE representatives are looking at models of transition from high school to college.
5. The Leadership and Core Values conference is also scheduled for February 24 and 25. They would like to coordinate it with a faculty conference and with our meeting.

### WINTER MEETING

We discussed changing our meeting to February 17 and 18 and holding it in Peoria. John Avendano will look into arrangements and let us all know.

Cynthia Armster moved for adjournment and Steve Ullrick seconded the motion. We will continue the meeting Friday morning.

Dr. Massie called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m. Friday, February 19, 2005.

Amy Johnson from Women Employed, [www.womenemployed.org](http://www.womenemployed.org), presented the opening program. She discussed Career Coach, a free web based career development tool for men and women. The goal is to improve the economic status of women through a search of career choices, a plan to reach their goals, expanded career knowledge, and step by step support for planning. They encourage education though the site is accessible to those with lower literacy, below an eighth grade reading level. The web site also helps with writing a resume and cover letters. Ms. Johnson distributed flyers and promotional post cards.

### IAI

Joan Kerber led the discussion on the AAT degree developed with ICCB. Students can't complete the GECC in the first two years, and that is similar to our AFA degree. The Deans of the four-year universities have stated that all of the five major courses will have to be resubmitted to IAI. Education must have a clinical component. Standard based competencies must be identified for each course.

### ATT

Richard Massy reported that there are two models for the AAT available: one in math with three colleges approved (Triton, Rend Lake, and Truman), and one for science where only two colleges have submitted proposals (Spoon River and Rend Lake). Twenty-one colleges have an AAS or certificate for paraprofessionals approved.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Larry Apperson reported that the fee payment of \$100 must be part of the college process for admitting international students. He encouraged us all to review our information and admission letters to students to clearly state this fee.

Larry also reported on the State of Illinois driver's licenses for International Students. These students must document they have their job by the supervisor that hired them. They must obtain a social security number. A new bill passed by the general assembly allows for a temporary drivers license for foreign students with no social security number.

There was discussion on having Rebecca Miller come to talk to our group on the legal perspective on groups coming on campus. Many groups from the ultra right are requesting being on campus. We can dictate any and all or limit to groups with connection to faculty or students. We cannot designate a free speech area any longer. Everyone supported this suggestion for our winter meeting.

## PTK

Richard Massie reported that the Phi Theta Kappa program would be April 4 and 5, 2005 in the Northfield Inn in Springfield. We may have to plan reservations two years out because we were not able to secure the hotels we wanted. Bob Marshall made a motion to sponsor PTK banquet and program with \$500 per year. Russ Fahrner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Electronic signatures are still at JACARS for study and there is no word yet from ICCB.

The slate of officers for the coming year was presented -- John Avendano as President, Sharon Wrenn as Vice President and Pam Clodfelter as Secretary/Treasurer. Steve Ullrick made the motion that the slate be approved and Russ Fahrner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Richard Massie was presented with a plaque for his services to ICCSSO.

John Avendano reported that dues would remain at \$25.00 per college for the year. He also asked for items to be placed on the agenda for the Winter Meeting. Suggestions were: Rebecca Miller, Student Organizations, Identity Theft, CAS (course applicability system), and a possible task force for ISAC and the Illinois Mentor and College Zone.

We were reminded of the joint meeting of the CAOs and the CSSOs at the President's Council in February.

The meeting was adjourned.