



Illinois Community College Faculty Association

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Friday, January 18, 2019 4:00 – 6:00 pm

ICCB Headquarters: 401 East Capital Ave. Springfield, IL 62701

Members Present: John Jackson, Keith Sprewer, Kristen Campbell, Krista Winters, Jacob Winters, Steve DePasquale, Carla Presnell, Marcus Brown and Hong Fei

- I. Jake Winters: Convene. Introduction and welcome new members.
- II. Introduction of the new ICCB liaison Marcus Brown. Marcus Brown report on ICCB initiatives and goals: The ICCB now has three broad goals Brian Durham, the Executive director, presented this morning.
 1. Smooth the transition for all students into and through postsecondary education.
 2. Contribute to the economic development of all Illinois by providing the robust workforce training credential attainment, and addressing the future needs of the workforce.
 3. Engage with all stakeholders to align policies to improve outcomes and increase access to public information on system effectiveness.

Background about what we have been trying to achieve 3.5 months in: 1). We put out notice that we are accepting reasonable and moderate extensions for associate art degrees. It's a Gen Ed package that can be used for tracking and documentation purposes. GECC, the Gen Ed Core curriculum credential, now is a marker used for students towards an associate of art program. It is purposefully called a credential, not a certificate, in order for students to recognize it not as a certificate industry will recognize. It can only be used as a marker. 2). Have convened placement work group. Working towards implementation questions for how we implement the recommendations that we endorsed in June. They include multi-measure placements with 8 to 9 different pathways through which students might be deemed eligible for college course work in Math or English such as ACT scores, SAT scores, placement exams, course GPA patterns and AP credit. Also it can be through transitional math and English courses. There are many routes through which students might be eligible for college course work. Also included is the methods of tracking so that we will know if it is the right cut off scores, for example. Jake is in the work group. It is a faculty driven process. Want to maintain sense of participation across the state. 3). Legislative pieces: Student Transferability Access Revers Transfer Act which serves as a reverse transfer tool. Students who went on from community college to a 4 year school can transfer back credit so they can get associate degree as well, getting the relevant privilege.

Asked: Is there a barrier to the GECC credential? Timelines? Answer: require institution to submit for approval. Benefit of institutions submitting GECC credential to us is that we can count it as completion. Must be IAI approved courses.

Keith pointed out research shows multiple measures work in placement and readiness.

- III. Jake is reaching out to ICCCA president, keeping open relationship. Clarified our role as advisory board, not to make recommendations, but to collect data, to implement.
- IV. The Autism Webinar: Friday Feb 2. Regional coordinators will reach out to urge you to participate. It is open and free. It will probably be recorded so everyone can watch. Just in case, Krista, Carla and Kristen volunteered to participate in the webinar and later will report to the committee.

- V. Jake: About positions: 1). There are still people who holding multiple positions. New members are pegged to be regional coordinators. The duty includes reaching out to members with messages and answer questions from faculty. 2). Now the ICCB faculty representative position is open. Keith is interested in this position. We EC as the faculty representatives endorse him for member of ICCB. 3). ICCFA and ICCCA collectively contract with Linda. Kristen moved to renew our part of the contract with Linda as the conference organizer.
- VI. VP Report by Kristen Campbell and Steve DePasquale: Attended the workforce group. Attended the ICCB meeting. She sent out report for both. The meeting agenda includes the following. Attainment Initiatives, Achieving the Dream Framework that will due in June 2019, looking at which schools are promoting access and affordability. One of the goal is focused on low cost or free textbooks. Talked about statewide initiative to use open source books and use leverage of IAI to encourage participation. Adult Credit Quality Act is an endorsement framework that will certify HS teachers to be eligible to teach college courses. It will be finalized in July. It means that they reached a threshold to teach college. It mirror what ICCB requires for teaching similar courses. There are a lot of questions about the qualification this way. People asked if reverse is true, if college teachers qualified for high school teaching. Currently we are OK to teach dual credits. Steve and faculty advisory council raised questions about the credential of HS teachers teaching college courses without a master's degree or the loss of control about the using out of state providers. He also explored best ways to reach faculty.
- VII. VP for Legislative Affairs Report by Leo Welch: He provided legislative alert, about two bills intended to reverse the 3% rule. It brings attention to an issue affecting the current employees. Current employee is capped at 6% of salary increases, above which the college will pay a penalty. Recently this cap is changed to 3%. The bill's sponsors are bipartisan. Kristen asked if there is any floor, for extremely low-paid members of faculty. The answer is no. It is not applied to adjuncts or self-managed. Leo expressed guarded optimism about Pritzker's new policies of increased spending on education and about including a faculty in his educational committee, although the expected increase dwarfed after K12.
- VIII. Treasurer's Report by Krista Winters: The budget is not accurate or balanced because she cannot get into the account. As a result, the conference expense and income cannot be properly tallied up. There are several items we spent less than budgeted. Leo went to a lot of conferences and paid for them himself. He should be reimbursed. Krista is bonded as the treasurer. Leo moved to prove the 2019 budget, including the \$6500 donating to ICCSF Scholarship. All were in favor. The budget is proved. As the scholarship coordinator at the same time, she drafted the scholarship form and will send out soon.
- IX. Secretary's report by Hong Fei: Krista moved to approve the minutes of October. All seconded. She proposed to send out the grant forms and set the deadline in April 26. Since we will not have a meeting in April, we will vote remotely. We can conference through internet if necessary. The reason not to set the voting time in June at the retreat is that the winners will not be able to send in proposal to speak at the same year's conference. A large part of them preferred to give a talk at the same year rather than 2-3 years later.
- X. Adjourned.