

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
OF McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, in the Board Room, Room A217, of Building A on the Campus. Vice Chair Evertsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

When Secretary Walsh called the roll, the following were present:

Mr. Peters
Mr. Jenner
Ms. Liddell
Mr. Parrish
Mr. Smith
Ms. Tirio
Ms. Walsh
Ms. Evertsen

Dr. Gabbard was present. Attorney Sam Cavnar was present as legal counsel.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes were accepted as revised.

OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

No one addressed the Board.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gabbard reported that McHenry County College has articulation agreements for 125 courses through the Illinois Articulation Initiative. He reported on the May 4 Distinguished Alumni ceremony honoring Ms. Bobbie Baehne, Ms. Renee Blitek, and Mr. Richard Tobiasz, noting that they are true ambassadors for MCC. He thanked Ms. Haggerty and her team for planning this event, as well as planning for the May 15 Groundbreaking, about which he heard nothing but positive comments. Upcoming event dates

include the Foundation Golf Invitational on June 5, Scots Fest on June 10, and the Moonlight Masquerade Gala on November 10.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Ms. Haggerty announced that the full \$5 million donation from the lead cornerstone donor has been received. This amount will be kept in a separate fund, not commingled or shared with any other funds. Work is ongoing to launch the employee and community/public campaign phases. Dr. Gabbard also reported that after sharing the most recent renderings of the Liebman Science Center with manufacturing leaders, they were adamant about keeping the planetarium component because it is aspirational and will encourage students to attend McHenry County College. Meetings are continuing with prospective donors introduced to Dr. Gabbard by Trustees. Dr. Gabbard answered questions from the Trustees on LEED certification progress and the ability to work with cadavers in the lab.

PRELIMINARY APRIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta spoke about each page of the preliminary statements, noting that Fund 04 has been added to house Liebman Science Center donated funds, to keep activity more transparent. Mr. Tenuta noted that all but \$1.5 million of the debt certificates have been sold, at a higher interest rate than PMA had anticipated. Mr. Tenuta also stated that that expenses are trending well toward the budget, and that there were no concerns about expenses.

DISCUSSION OF STUDENT SUCCESS DASHBOARDS/COMPLETION AGENDA

Dr. Gabbard gave a presentation showing the completion agenda, covering the following topics: what is success for a student at MCC, MCC student enrollment, traditional pathways to success, student right-to-know, and problems arising from the federal definition of success.

Dr. Gabbard explained that the federal metrics that measure student success are very constricting. The federal mandate included only first-time, full-time degree-seeking students, enrolling in summer or fall term. It followed for 1-1/2 times the period “normally” required to complete a degree. He noted that

the American Association of Community Colleges identified that this metric encompassed only 34% of community college students. The tracking period is relatively short, and transfer outcomes are generally not included in reports for these students. Therefore, the figures reported on McHenry County College's Student Right to Know page do not reflect information gathered for all students. Discussion followed about adopting aspirational goals.

He then demonstrated the live student success dashboard, showing key performance indicators, early alert, and student success coaching model, and thanked Dr. Amy Humke, Director of Institutional Research, and her team, for their work on the dashboard. The presentation can be seen at

www.mchenry.edu/board.

DISCUSSION OF TABLED BOARD REPORT #17-42, DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR CITY WATER MAIN CONNECTION

Mr. Todd Wheeland presented a white paper and spoke about reasons for and against connecting to City of Crystal Lake water. He provided cost information for upgrading the College's current water system and for connecting to City water. He then answered questions from the Trustees. Consensus was reached to bring this to the May Board meeting for a vote.

PREVIEW OF SPACE MANAGEMENT AND COURSE OFFERINGS AND EFFICIENCIES TOOL

Dr. Gray gave a presentation about HESI (Higher Education Scheduling Index), software that will allow the College to compare course schedules to over 800 other institutions, with benchmarks, analytics, and data. HESI evaluates all scheduling data and makes observations, from which decisions can be made, offering potential savings in an increase in credit hours per student, and the identification of courses that may no longer be needed. Dr. Gray's presentation can be seen at www.mchenry.edu/board.

DISCUSSION OF TRUSTEE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Attorney Cavnar announced that his firm will offer Trustee training as required by the changes to the Illinois Public Community College Act. This training applies to new trustees sworn in this year during their first, third, and fifth years, but all Trustees are welcome to take the training. The training will be

held at Harper College on Saturday, June 17; there is no cost to attend. Ms. Liddell noted that the ICCTA will be offering training at the June 1-3 annual meeting to comply with this unfunded mandate; she will provide this information to Trustees.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include: 1) discussion of Trustee attendance at the September, 2017 ACCT Leadership Congress, 2) a budget proposal workshop for FY 2018, 3) the City Water Main connection will be voted on at the May 25 Board meeting.

SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

During summary comments, discussion was held on the recent ruling from the appellate court that the College of DuPage Foundation disclose records as part of a Freedom of Information Act request from the *Chicago Tribune*. It was noted that the Foundation Executive Committee is reviewing the Memorandum of Understanding between the Foundation and the College; the results of this review will come to the Board for review and approval at a later date.

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held.

ACCEPTANCE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES, Committee of the Whole, April 18, 2017

It was agreed to table the acceptance of these minutes to the May 25, 2017 Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Pat Kriegermeier, Recording Secretary

Molly H. Walsh, Board Secretary