

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT #528**

Tuesday, November 9, 2021
Committee of the Whole



MCC Board Room A217
8900 U.S. Highway 14
Crystal Lake, IL 60012

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Vice Chair Allen appointed Trustee Speros as secretary.

1. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Allen announced that Trustee Siddons would be attending via telephone due to employment purposes. He asked Secretary Speros to call the roll for all Trustees physically present. Five Board Trustees were physically present, with the exception of Trustees Evertsen, Siddons and Hoban. Trustees Evertsen and Hoban didn't attend the meeting.

Vice Chair Allen asked Trustee Siddons whether any closed session conversation will be kept confidential. Trustee Siddons confirmed.

Motion: Move that the Board of Trustees approve Trustee Siddons to attend via telephone. Trustee Walsh motioned, seconded by Trustee Morton. Motion Approved.

Vice Chair Allen asked Secretary Speros to take a final roll call to include all Trustees attending.

Trustees Present

Mary Beth Siddons- attended via telephone
Elizabeth Speros
Molly Walsh
Edith Sanchez
Dale Morton
Tom Allen

Trustees Not Present

Suzanne Hoban
Diane Evertsen

Also Present

Dr. Clinton Gabbard- College President
Ken Florey – Legal Counsel

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Motion: Move that the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from October 19, 2021 are approved as submitted. Trustee Walsh motioned; seconded by Trustee Speros. Motion approved.

4. OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no public comments submitted for this meeting.

5. AUDIT PRESENTATION

MCC Auditors from Sikich presented the audit report to the Board.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: DR. CLINTON GABBARD

Fall 2021 Enrollment Report – Highlight on Specific Student Groups

Dr. Gabbard updated the Board on enrollment numbers. As we continue to review and learn from our Fall 2021 enrollment information, there are a few trends around specific student groups worth noting:

- The proportion of first-time students is growing at 30% this year over 27% back in 2016.
- We are seeing high points in both our Latinx and first-generation student groups, specifically:
 - While Hispanic student enrollment numbers dipped slightly due to COVID-19, they are now at their highest point since 2016.
 - First-generation students are at a high point (30% representation), still under non-first gen which is 38%.
- Online enrollment has grown from representing 16% of credit enrollment in 2016 to currently representing 40%.
- Transfer student enrollment continues to grow and is now at 76%, compared to 72% in 2016.

14th Annual Green Living Expo Recap

MCC's 14th annual Green Living Expo was held virtually on November 6, 2021. Seven speakers shared their areas of expertise, including MCC Chef Tina Drzal and Chef Joyce Lande who conducted a session on freezing and preserving fresh food. A live tour of MCC's high tunnels and discussion of soils around MCC was also presented. All sessions were well attended and included time for questions and discussion. In addition, 40 exhibitors from area businesses, organizations, nonprofits, and county government provided interactive booths to enjoy.

MCC 2021 President's Dinner Celebrated Community and Philanthropy

This year's President's Dinner took place on Friday, October 29 and welcomed over 100 attendees back to MCC's campus for an in-person experience. The event raised over \$83,000 to support MCC student scholarships. The evening began with the Distinguished Alumni Award ceremony, sponsored again by Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital. This year, the two award recipients are Laura Retzlaff of Woodstock and Jay LeCoque of Crystal Lake. The event included a meal prepared by MCC culinary students and remarks from Dr. Gabbard and MCC alumnus, Ramiro Angelino.

Board of Trustees Travel

Dr. Gabbard asked for a voice vote for proposed board travel to the ICCTA Meeting on Friday the 12th. Request was approved. A formal report and vote will take place at the Board meeting next week.

Upcoming Events

Dr. Gabbard went over the upcoming events.

7. OCTOBER PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta provided a recap of the preliminary October financial statements. He recommended that going forward we shouldn't do a preliminary report in November since there is a very small window between meetings. The Board agreed.

8. PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Matt Irie gave a presentation on Voices.
- Mr. Bob Tenuta gave a presentation on fund 4 -Bond and Interest.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Speros was appreciative of being able to have exposure and hearing about Voices. She also enjoyed the auditors' presentation.

Ms. Walsh enjoyed the President's dinner and loved the idea of having it on campus.

Ms. Siddons appreciated the audit presentation and it's great to have clean financials. She reminded the Board that the president's evaluation will be discussed at the Board meeting on the 18th.

Mr. Morton also liked having the President's dinner on campus and it is also a great way to showcase new areas of the building.

Mr. Allen agreed with the other trustees that the President's dinner was a great event and we should have it on campus. He also liked the funds presentation and is thankful that we are watching over the funds to make sure they are spent properly.

10. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:04pm, Vice Chair Allen asked for a motion to move into Closed Session under Illinois Open Meetings Act 120/2 (c) Exception #5 The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired and Exception #21 – Review of Closed Session Minutes. Trustee Walsh motioned; Trustee Morton seconded. The roll was called, and all voted in favor.

At 7:18pm, Trustees came out of closed session.

11. ACCEPTANCE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion: Move that the Committee of the Whole closed session minutes from October 19, 2021 be accepted as amended. Trustee Walsh motioned; seconded by Trustee Morton. Motion approved.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Vice Chair Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20pm. Trustee Walsh motioned; seconded by Trustee Morton.

Denisa J. Shallo, Recording Secretary

Elizabeth Speros, Acting Board Secretary