

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

April 16, 2024
Committee of the Whole



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

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Hoban called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Hoban asked Secretary Morton to take a roll call.

Trustees Present

Elizabeth Speros
Dale Morton
Suzanne Hoban
Alyssa Kueffner
Molly Walsh
Tom Allen
Tess Reinhard

Also Present

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

Trustees Not Present

Liza Smith

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda was accepted as presented.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Motion: Move that the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from March 19, 2024, are approved as amended. Chair Allen motioned; seconded by Trustee Reinhard. Motion approved.

5. OPEN FOR RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

There were no public comments submitted for this meeting.

6. PRESENTATION-MCC Agricultural Land Lease Update

Ms. Sheri Doyel, Director of Innovation, Center for Agrarian Learning presented to the Board of Trustees on the MCC Agricultural Land Lease.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: DR. CLINTON GABBARD

Health Services Update

In anticipation of the further demand for a pipeline of skilled health care workers, MCC administration has been working on efforts to expand the College's health services programs. This includes:

- The addition of a Nursing program cohort in the spring semester
- Growth of health services to include Respiratory Therapy and Radiology Technology programs to meet the urgent health care needs of the county/region

To support these initiatives, collaboration discussions with leadership at Advocate Good Shepherd and Northwestern Medicine Huntley, McHenry, and Woodstock have taken place already, and a meeting with Mercyhealth is scheduled. In addition, the College has submitted a FY 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Request to Senator Duckworth for financial support (\$1,495,000) of state-of-the-art medical equipment and

learning space/lab adjustments to appropriately support program growth in these areas. All three health care industry partners submitted letters of support for this project. Questions and discussion followed.

Equalization Grant-Funded Projects

Dr. Gabbard shared an updated breakdown of proposed projects using the current (FY 2024) Equalization Grant funds. Questions and discussion followed.

MCC Solar Eclipse Activities

The Liebman Institute for Science Innovation (LISI) at MCC, in partnership with the MCC Sustainability Center, hosted a viewing event in honor of the Solar Eclipse on April 8. Activities included: live viewing at the Compass Rose (outside of Liebman Science Center); Q&A session; a projection of the Solar Telescope view; NASA's live stream of Totality; and eclipse-themed music and snacks. Special glasses were also distributed to view the eclipse safely.

MCC Airs New Commercials

As one of various strategies to promote Fall 2024 enrollment for both Foglia CATI and University Center at MCC programs, the College's marketing and communications team produced two new commercials – now both airing via cable broadcast channels and streaming services. Elements of these commercials will also be used via social media campaigns.

University Center at MCC Update

Dr. Gabbard shared updates on renovations for the University Center at MCC.

Foglia Center for Advanced Technology and Innovation (CATI) Update

Dr. Gabbard shared construction updates for the Foglia CATI.

Upcoming MCC Events

Dr. Gabbard shared upcoming campus events with the Board of Trustees.

8. MARCH PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Tenuta provided a recap of the February financial statements.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/SUMMARY COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Trustee Walsh attended Green Drinks and MCC was featured. They had a presentation on the University Center at MCC and Center for Agrarian Learning.

Trustee Reinhard had questions about the Dual Credit bill and Dr. Gabbard responded that we don't have any additional information. The bill is still under debate.

Other Trustees had no comments and no new agenda items.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Vice Chair Hoban declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10pm. Chair Allen moved, Trustee Speros seconded.

Denisa J. Shallo, Recording Secretary

Dale Morton, Board Secretary