MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SPOON RIVER COLLEGE
Wednesday, July 25, 2018
4:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Spoon River College was held on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. in Room M215, Macomb Campus, 208 South Johnson, Macomb, Illinois.

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1.1 Call to Order

Mr. Kent Schleich, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call

Members Present:  Mrs. Gayle Blodgett  
                 Mrs. Linda Butler  
                 Mr. Jerry Cremer  
                 Mr. Dave Maguire  
                 Mr. Phil Murphy  
                 Mr. Kent Schleich  
                 Ms. Parris Grace

Members Absent:  Mr. Kevin Meade

Also present were Mr. Curt Oldfield, President; Mr. Brett Stoller, Vice President; Ms. Missy Wilkinson, Dean, Student Services; Mr. Brad O’Brien, Dean, Career and Workforce Education; Ms. Holly Norton, Dean, Transfer Education; Mr. Michael Maher, Sociology Faculty; and Ms. Julie Hampton, Executive Assistant to the President/Recorder.

Also present:  Michelle Langhout, The Voice.

1.3 Invocation

Ms. Grace gave the invocation.

1.4 Welcome of Guests

Mr. Schleich welcomed the guests who were in attendance.

1.5 Public Comment

Mr. Schleich asked if anyone from the audience would like to address the Board. There were no requests from the audience.

1.6 Approval of Minutes

1.6.1 June 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Maguire, seconded by Mr. Cremer, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,
RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the June 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes.

1.6.2 Closed Session Minutes: April 25, 2018 and May 23, 2018.

Following a motion by Mrs. Butler, seconded by Mr. Maguire, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the following Closed Session Minutes: April 25, 2018 and May 23, 2018.

1.6.3 Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06, paragraph (c), the Board of Trustees, having approved the minutes of the closed meetings that meet the written meetings requirements of the Open Meetings Act and having determined that no less than 18 months has expired since the meetings were recorded, hereby approves the destruction of the recorded closed session recordings for the meetings as listed below:

July 11, 2016

Following a motion by Mr. Maguire, seconded by Mrs. Butler, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees, pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06, paragraph (c), the Board of Trustees, having approved the minutes of the closed meetings that meet the written meetings requirements of the Open Meetings Act and having determined that no less than 18 months has expired since the meetings were recorded, hereby approves the destruction of the recorded closed session recordings for the meetings as listed below:

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1.6.4 Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06, paragraph (d) (2), having reviewed the minutes of all closed meetings of the Board of Trustees that have not been previously made available for public inspection, the Board of Trustees has determined that the minutes or portions thereof no longer require confidential treatment and are available for public inspection.

Mr. Schleich said this item was pulled from consideration. No action would be taken.

1.6.5 Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06, paragraph (d) (1), having reviewed the minutes of all closed meetings of the Board of Trustees that have not been previously been made available for public inspection, the Board of Trustees has determined that the need for confidentiality still exists to all or part of those minutes as listed in attachment 1.6.5.

Following a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Grace, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees, pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06, paragraph (d) (1), having reviewed the minutes of all closed meetings of the Board of Trustees that have not been previously been made available for public inspection, the Board of Trustees has determined that the need for confidentiality still exists to all or part of those minutes as listed in attachment 1.6.5.

1.7 Report – ICCTA Representative

Mrs. Gayle Blodgett presented the following report:
This information was shared by ICCTA and is a summary of the budget for this fiscal year.

As discussed last month, the state budget was passed by the General Assembly by the May 31 deadline. The increased funding this budget to community colleges and public universities provides the stability that is critical to keeping the Illinois higher education system moving forward. The new AIM HIGH matching program and the $25 million to start that program will be an important new tool to allow our public universities to reward Illinois’ best students and will be an important tool to starting to reverse the flow of those students to other states. Capital renewal and emergency capital funding will help universities address the most significant emergencies and health and safety concerns. The budget also will clear the backlog of projects which were previously funded but which have been on hold for years due to lack of funding.

Higher Education Budget Summary

- **OVERALL** - Higher education received a total of $4.045 billion in total funding for Fiscal Year 2019, including $3.463 billion in general funds.
- **PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES** - Universities were allocated $1.114 billion in all funds for Fiscal Year 2019. This is an increase of $21.5 million and represents a two percent increase over the Fiscal Year 2018 funding level.
- **COMMUNITY COLLEGES** - Including adult education program funding, community colleges received total appropriations of $376 million for Fiscal Year 2019, including $319.7 million in general funds. The total net increase is $8 million. Funding for base and equalization grants receive a two percent increase over the Fiscal Year 2018 level. A 6.3 percent increase is provided for ICCB operations. An additional $2.9 million was provided to cover tuition and 110 fee waivers for qualified veterans provided by community colleges by law. Universities will still be required to cover those costs without state reimbursement. A new Apprenticeship Ready program was funded with $265,000.
- **STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION** - ISAC received $725 million for Fiscal Year 2019, including $439.7 million from general funds. Federal fund appropriations from ISAC loan servicing activity declined by an additional $33 million as loan volume continues to decline. A new $2 million line to cover agency operations was added to make-up for the declining support from federal loan servicing. The ISAC budget includes the $25 million for the new AIM HIGH university scholarship matching program. ISAC’s Monetary Award Program was flat funded at $401 million.
- **HIGHER EDUCATION OPERATING AGENCIES** - For Fiscal Year 2019 operations budgets for the State University Civil Service Commission and the Board of Higher Education received a 2.2 percent increase, although IBHE ILDS program funding is flat. The Community College Board operations were increased by 6.3 percent. There also was a small Fiscal Year 2018 supplemental appropriation for ICCB operations.
- **IBHE GRANTS** – All IBHE grants were funded at their Fiscal Year 2018 levels.
- **ILLINOIS MATH SCIENCE ACADEMY** - IMSA received $22.1 million for Fiscal Year 2019, including $18.4 million in EAF and $3.7 million from the IMSA Income Fund. This represents two percent increase in general funds (EAF) and an additional $150,000 from the income fund.
- **CAPITAL** – The budget includes $834 million in designated regular and capital renewal funding for public universities, community colleges and IMSA. In addition, $75 million was appropriated for deferred maintenance emergencies, and health and safety and $25 million was appropriated for cost escalations and emergencies. This is effectively the Governor’s capital request. Other than the emergency funding, this represents all of the project that were approved in previous budgets but have been on-hold for lack of funding.
- **STATE UNIVERSITY RETIREMENT SYSTEM** – SURS received $1.590 billion for Fiscal Year 2019 comprised of $1.370 billion from GRF, $215 million from the State Pension Fund, and $4.4 million from EAF. This represents a decrease of $2.9 million and is based on the expectation of savings from three different changes. The changes will
require a recertification of the amount due by law for Fiscal Year 2019. The state is required to pay the certified amount, regardless of appropriations.

President Oldfield reported that on the SURS legislation change to the 6% rule. That has been changed and reduced to 3%, and any increase above that will be enforced with a penalty. This also covers a four year timeframe prior to retirement. The average for the penalty would be anything over 3%. President Oldfield said this is just not for SURS but for all pensions. President Oldfield said they have also limited the executive buy out option. It has been reduced to no more than six months.

1.8 Report – Student Government Representative

Ms. Parris Grace presented the following report:

Students are taking final exams and completing the last week of the summer session.

The Summer Bridge Program begins next week in Canton and Macomb. The program is free to students, and the purpose is to assist students in accelerating through developmental courses, specifically developmental math and writing.

Fall semester new student orientation sessions will be held on Tuesday, August 14th in Macomb and Wednesday, August 15th in Canton.

1.9 Report - Spoon River College Foundation

Mr. Phillip Murphy presented the following report:

- Financial: Revenues: $12,466.61
- The SRC Foundation Board met Wednesday, July 18 at 7:30 a.m. via IVS.
- The Foundation voted to sponsor the food costs from the Old Dairy at this morning’s Business Before Hours as a way to stay involved in the Macomb community and support SRC's hosting of the event.
- 28 teams in total have signed up to be part of this Friday’s 25th Annual SRC Foundation Golf Outing. Sponsorships are up some from last year, as well, meaning that this is on track to be yet another very successful outing and fun day.
- 63 students were offered Dual Credit Scholarships for the Fall 2018 semester, with a little extra financial help to students taking MAT 125 at Lewistown High School and students participating in the Running Start program at Canton High School.
- Over 35 people joined us for a ceremony to dedicate the new bench in front of the Multi-Purpose Building to the memory of former CCC/SRC faculty member Daisy Coty.
- The Foundation received word that it has been awarded a $15,000 grant from the Fellheimer Trust for 2018-2019 scholarships at the Macomb Campus, with preference given to non-traditional students and students who are single parents.
- The Alumni Awards Reception and Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner will be held at the Canton Campus on Saturday, Nov. 3, and your attendance is encouraged. Nominations for the Alumni Achievement Award are being sought now through August 10. If you need a form, contact Colin or Lori in the Foundation Office.
- The Joint Boards Meeting between the Foundation Board and the Board of Trustees will be held at approximately 3:45 p.m. prior to the September meeting of the Board of Trustees. The two boards will have dinner together between meetings, and ideas for potential topics for discussion should be sent to Curt or Colin.

Mr. Schleich asked about the time of the Golf Outing. Mr. Murphy said 11 a.m.
1.10 Report – Board Member Comments

There were no additional Board member comments.

2.0 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

2.1 Communications

President Oldfield thanked Holly for her help with the Business Before Hours, and he thanked those Trustees who were able to attend. It was a great event. President Oldfield extended the invitation that Parris expressed about attending the Student Orientations. Trustees are certainly welcome and encouraged to attend. Classes begin August 20. President Oldfield reported that he will be on vacation starting Friday after the Golf Outing and will be back on the 7th of August.

2.2 Business and Finance Report

2.2.1 Authorize the following payments for the month of July 2018:

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2.3 Institutional Planning

President Oldfield said there were items reviewed at the Board Retreat held earlier today.

3.0 ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Schleich thanked everyone for being around for the day. He said it was a full day with the Retreat followed by this meeting, and it was a great day. He thanked President Oldfield and Julie Hampton for suggesting the combined format.

4.0 CLOSED SESSION. In accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the Board of Trustees will adjourn to Closed Session for paragraph 1). The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity; 2). Collective negotiating matters
between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; and 21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Mr. Schleich said there was not a call for Closed Session.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Butler, and unanimous approval, the Regular Meeting of the Spoon River College Board of Trustees, July 25, 2018 adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Mr. Kent Schleich, Chair

Date

Mr. Phillip Murphy, Secretary