

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SPOON RIVER COLLEGE**

**Wednesday, July 22, 2022**  
**4:30 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Spoon River College was held on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. at the Canton Campus, Engle Hall Conference Center, Rooms A and B, 23235 N. Co. 22, Canton, Illinois.

**1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Mr. Jerry Cremer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

**1.2 Roll Call**

Members Present:            Mr. John Biernbaum  
                                     Mrs. Linda Butler  
                                     Mr. Jerry Cremer  
                                     Mr. Dave Maguire  
                                     Mr. Kevin Meade  
                                     Mr. Phil Murphy  
                                     Mr. Kent Schleich

Members Absent:            Ms. Zoey Lane

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; Ms. Andrea Thomson, Director, Human Resources; Ms. Julie Hampton, Executive Assistant to the President/Recorder.

**1.3 Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Cremer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.4 Welcome of Guests**

Mr. Cremer welcomed those in attendance.

**1.5 Public Comment**

Mr. Cremer asked if any members of the audience wished to address the Board. There were no public comments.

**1.6 Approval of Minutes**

**1.6.1 June 22, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the June 22, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

1.7 Report – ICCTA Representative

Mr. Dave Maguire presented the following report:

Since our last meeting, there have not been any statewide meetings of the Trustee Association. Staff continues to monitor actions at the state level. The call for a special session has pretty much gone to the wayside as it is nearly impossible to get a super majority in session to pass any legislation during the summer months and it is the campaign season. Speaker Welch has announced four House working groups to address mental health, social media, gun control and reproductive rights.

Nothing is anticipated until the six day scheduled veto session starting November 15 after the General Election. It will be a lame duck session as the new legislature will not be sworn in until next January so anything that was pending during the last legislative session is on the table.

The ICCTA Executive Committee retreat this year is being hosted by College of DuPage August 19 & 20 at their Glenn Ellyn Campus.

ACCT has will be offering a chance to be selected for one of 25 complimentary one day board retreats facilitated by ACCT board services staff. While it is a nice offer, the selected colleges are responsible to travel accommodations and we currently have the same service available to us through ICCTA at no cost. It does not cost to apply if there is any interest by our board. I thought I would ask

The Association will not be meeting until September 9-10 at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield.

A list of dates and meetings of interest are submitted with my report.

Are there any questions? President Oldfield said ACCT is bringing a regional trustee training to the O'Hare region this fall on December 1 and 2.

**Upcoming dates and meetings of interest:**

**AUGUST 2022**

August 19 & 20 ICCTA Executive Committee Retreat, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL

**SEPTEMBER 2022**

September 9-10 ICCTA Board of Representatives Meeting – Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield

September 15-16 ICCB Retreat & Meeting, John A. Logan College, Carterville, IL

**OCTOBER 2022**

October 26-29 ACCT Annual Leadership Congress, Marriott Marquis, New York, NY

**NOVEMBER 2022**

November 8 Illinois General Election

November 11-12 ICCTA Board of Representatives Meeting – Location to be determined

November 15-17 Illinois General Assembly Veto Session

November 29-30 Illinois General Assembly Veto Session

**DECEMBER 2022**

December 1 Illinois General Assembly Veto Session

December 1-2 ACCT Governance Leadership Institute, Chicago

December 2 ICCB Meeting, Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield

**FEBRUARY 2023**

February 5-8 [Community College National Legislative Summit](#), Washington, D.C.

**MARCH 2023**

March 10-11 ICCTA Board of Representatives Meeting – Location to be determined

**JUNE 2023**

June 2-3 ICCTA Annual Convention - Location to be determined

1.8 Report – Student Government Representative

Ms. Zoey Lane was not in attendance. President Oldfield read the Student Government Representative report:

Students are completing the final days of the summer session this week.

Plans are well underway to welcome new students for the fall semester. New Student Orientation is August 16<sup>th</sup> in Macomb and 17<sup>th</sup> in Canton.

The Athletic Department will host a cookout and orientation for student athletes and families on August 20, and classes begin Monday, August 22.

Congratulations to former Snappers baseball player Brett Johnson, who has been drafted in the 10th round of the MLB Draft by the Arizona Diamondbacks! Brett last attended SRC in the Spring of 2020. President Oldfield said he is two hours away from graduation at SRC. We are working with him to complete. President Oldfield said if Brett makes it to AAA, he would be playing in a stadium that Holly Norton's son assisted with the design and managed the construction of that facility.

1.9 Report - Spoon River College Foundation

Mr. Phillip Murphy presented the following report:

- Financials: Revenues: \$68,305.62
- The SRC Foundation Board met Wednesday, July 20 at 7:30 a.m., remotely with a few members present in person.
- This was the first meeting for Michelle Escapa (Rushville), John Marshall (Ipava), and Patrick O'Brian (Farmington), and brief introductions were made by all present.
- The Foundation Board set its committees for the 2022-23 fiscal year, including the Dual Credit Scholarship Committee, which will meet soon to determine recipients for the Fall semester (applications were due July 22).
- Colin gave an update on the golf outing, which kicks off with lunch at 11 a.m. Friday and shotgun start at noon at Wee-Ma-Tuk. 27 teams have signed up to participate this year, and we're looking forward to another successful day.
- The annual Alumni Awards Reception and Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner will take place on Saturday, November 5 here at the Canton Campus. The Alumni Association is currently seeking nominations for alumni award recipients. If you have a suggestion for a deserving CCC/SRC alumnus or alumna, please let Colin know by August 5. You can also go to [www.src.edu/alumni](http://www.src.edu/alumni) to submit a nomination online. The Board is also working on a permanent display for the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees and Alumni Award recipients, which will ultimately be placed in the Multi-Purpose Building.

- Colin gave a brief update about the Spring 2022 appeal, which has surpassed the Spring 2021 appeal in terms of dollars raised, and a quick update on the next appeal letter, which will highlight the struggles SRC students are facing with high prices of goods and gasoline.
- Thanks to everyone who attended the President’s Reception last month. Over the next few weeks, Foundation Board members will be hand-delivering gifts to the honorees who were unable to attend the event. If you haven’t seen the display already, we encourage you to go take a look at the new Donor Wall display at the main entrance to Centers before you leave this evening.
- The next meeting of the SRC Foundation is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 17 at 7:30 a.m. via video conference.

1.10 Report – Board Member Comments

Mr. Maguire announced that the City of Macomb is proceeding with the TIF district and will have the public hearing and proceed. It will probably be in place next month. Mrs. Butler asked if this was in addition to others or replaced a prior. President Oldfield said it replaces a prior.

2.0 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

2.1 Communications

President Oldfield reported the following new hires:

- Sarah Fouts, Dual Credit and Recruitment Advisor, effective June 13, 2022. Position previously held by Eve Zimmerman.
- Johna Lawens, TRIO-Student Support Services Grant/Retention Project Advisor, effective July 11, 2022. Position previously held by Abby Beck.
- Lauren Berry-Sherbeyn, Disability Services/Probation Advisor, effective July 11, 2022. Position previously held by McKenna Barker.
- Rebecca Sherwood, Director, Nursing, effective July 25, 2022. Position previously held by Tamatha Schleich.

President Oldfield also reminded everyone that the Foundation Golf Outing is Friday, and he welcomed everyone to attend. The community welcomes the opportunity to see board members.

President Oldfield also reported that the Faculty Professional Development Day is Thursday, August 18 at the Macomb Outreach Center.

2.2 Business and Finance Report

2.2.1 Authorize the following payments for the month of July 2022:

Payroll (3 pays)	\$ 694,701.62
Accounts Payable (excluding travel)	514,310.49
Accounts Payable Travel Expenses	10,702.91
Accounts Payable BOT Travel Expenses	426.23
Electronic Payments (Health/Life Insurance)	142,180.10
Student Refunds – Accounts Payable	- 0 -
Student Refunds – Nelnet (electronic)	<u>64,280.19</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,426,601.54</b>

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 authorized the following payments for the month of July 2022:

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### 2.3 Institutional Planning

- 2.3.1 Approve the appointment of Evyn Way to the position of Welding instructor, effective August 18, 2022, at an annual salary of \$43,832. This is a full-time, tenure track faculty position.

President Oldfield presented this item and said Evyn is a graduate of SRC, and he is excited to return and is ready to teach classes. We are looking forward to having him on board. Kevin

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

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Evyn Way to the position of Welding instructor, effective August 18, 2022, at an annual salary of \$43,832. This is a full-time, tenure track faculty position.

### 3.0 ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Schleich asked about two of the employee changes. President Oldfield said Eve Zimmerman was hired in 2018 and returned to the Ag field and is now working at Western Illinois Grain in Fairview. McKenna Barker went to Bushell Prairie City High School to teach Special Ed. Abby Beck has been here for a number of years, and she started in 2015 as an adjunct. Mr. Schleich said it seems like more turnovers in recent hires. Andrea Thomson said that isn't too uncommon especially if looking for positions with career growth.

Mrs. Butler recognized Dave Maguire for completion of 150 hours of Trustee Education through ICCTA. President Oldfield said we also recognized him last month and showed pictures of his presentation.

- 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. Cremer said there was not a call for Closed Session.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Mr. Maguire, seconded by Mr. Biernbaum, and unanimous approval, the Regular Meeting of the Spoon River College Board of Trustees, July 27, 2022 adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

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Mr. Jerry Cremer, Chair

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Date

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Mr. Phillip Murphy, Secretary