

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

Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Spoon River College, Havana Center, Room 101
324 East Randolph, Havana, Illinois

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Spoon River College was held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Spoon River College Havana Center, 324 East Randolph, Havana, Illinois.

1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1.1 Call to Order

Jerry Cremer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call

Members Present:

John Biernbaum
Linda Butler
Jerry Cremer
Dave Maguire
Kevin Meade
Phillip Murphy
Kent Schleich
Savannah Smith-Coulter

Present: Dr. Curt Oldfield, President; Holly Norton, Vice President of Educational and Student Services; Missy Wilkinson, Dean, Student Services; Brad O'Brien, Dean, Career and Workforce Education; Andrea Thomson, Director, Human Resources; Dustin Berg, Director, Foundation, Sarah Gray, Chief Fiscal Officer; Stephanie Howerter, Director, Havana Center; Becca Werland, English Faculty; Joe Clemens, Diesel Tech Faculty; Brian Dalpiaz, Mathematics Faculty; and Julie Hampton, Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Trustees/Recorder.

Also Present: Esmeralda Uribe; Brenda Davenport-Fornoff; Larissa Berg.

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Jerry Cremer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.4 Welcome of Guests

Jerry Cremer welcomed those in attendance.

1.5 Public Comment

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

1.5.1 Decennial Committee

President Oldfield noted that the time was 6:02 p.m. and stated that every ten years colleges and townships are required to review efficiencies, and the Board counts as the majority for that, and Two public members are required, and tonight Stephanie Howerter and Brenda Davenport-Fornoff are present. The responsibility of the Committee is to meet three times and complete a

report that is submitted to the Fulton County Board. This is the second meeting for SRC. Sarah Gray has worked on zero based budgeting impacts from a year ago, and Sarah is rolling out the plans for this year's zero based budgeting. Sarah Gray shared that zero based budget means we do not roll the budget forward and instead every budget manager establishes a plan for the year. We have asked each budget manager to build the budgets from zero and have the plan for spending. We review contracts and especially software type items where we have numerous subscriptions and evaluate the efficiency and establish the price going forward. We are reviewing very closely expedites we have made this year while looking forward to next year. By doing the zero based budget you remove the fluff by having an item attached with every dollar ask, and the College will budget for a contingency fund as well. Sarah reported that we had good success with this last year, and this year we are adding forms that are electronic to help us be better organized and eliminate double data entry. President Oldfield said Raj Siddaraju is unable to attend tonight but wanted to share that in technology they will be planning server upgrades to support uptimes. Raj will be researching the upgrades for inhouse servers. They are looking at also restructuring the servers and will bring proposals to the Trustees in time with a Technology Bond. President Oldfield said the College is also exploring solar at the Canton Campus, and we are nearing completion of a solar agreement. With Board approval, we would establish a contract with a solar company and achieve 90% of electrical usage offset by solar. These are three areas that we are pursuing to improve efficiencies.

President Oldfield said he has asked Brenda Davenport-Fornoff, Economic Development Director for the City of Havana, who is also a former Adult Ed faculty member for SRC and is also a graduate of SRC as well as one of her sons, to share what is happening in Havana.

Brenda Davenport-Fornoff said if you have been downtown in Havana you see a lot of new businesses and revitalization in our downtown area. Black Maple just opened and two buildings are pending which will leave no vacant buildings downtown. The City of Havana has a wonderful school system, hospital, and park district and a wonderful relationship with SRC as well. That relationship is beneficial for not only our high school students but also other students who attend SRC and do not have to travel. The Illinois River Biological Station partnership, which could include SRC, would be another asset for both the City and SRC. Brenda said she and the mayor have been working with President Oldfield for quite some time on the IRBS project and would like to continue those relationships to move forward. Companies considering Havana view SRC right in the town as a very positive asset for considerations. Brenda said Spoon River College is a valuable resource.

President Oldfield thanked Brenda Davenport-Fornoff for her attendance and her work in the community along with Mayor Stadsholt. The number of women and minority owned businesses really show the entrepreneurship for the City and is established and supported.

Mr. Murphy said he drove through main street today, and he said it is very impressive. For a community this size, there are a lot of positives.

Brenda Davenport-Fornoff said a lot of that development goes back to the TIF that was established in 1987 which was established by Cecil Gilson. Kudos to him for stepping out, and Ron Hills, as Economic Development Director, continued to move it forward. The TIF ended in 2022, and Mayor Stadsholt started the Business Development improvements. She has provided the tools for businesses to continue to move forward. Brenda Davenport-Fornoff thanked the Board.

Stephanie Howerter said the College has providing opportunities to businesses for computer skills, and we will continue to be a resource for businesses for trainings while also assisting with business listings. She said many of the businesses in town also have ties to SRC, so that is another positive and know that they view SRC as a valuable resource.

President Oldfield asked if there were any questions from the Trustees. President Oldfield said we will meet for the third and final meeting in April. The final report will be drafted and

reviewed with the Trustees before sending to the Fulton County Board. The discussion ended at 6:15 p.m.

1.6 Approval of Minutes

1.6.1 February 28, 2024 Closed Session Minutes Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Following a motion by Dave Maguire, seconded by Linda Butler, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the February 28, 2024 Closed Session Minutes Review Committee Meeting Minutes.

1.6.2 February 28, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Following a motion by Kent Schleich, seconded by John Biernbaum, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the February 28, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

1.7 Report – ICCTA Representative

Mr. Dave Maguire presented the following report:

ICCTA had a meeting earlier this month on the campus of Kankakee Community College. It is always good to tour another campus and see how other colleges operate. One of the unique items we saw was a working ambulance body in their classroom as part of their EMT/Paramedic Program.

The Trustee roundtable spent the majority of the time discussing college successes and trustee concerns about dual credit/enrollment programs. There is a divergence of opinions depending on where colleges are located and their interaction with the four year institutions. The luncheon session was a discussion with Dr. Arthur Levine, author of “The Great Upheaval: Higher Education's Past, Present, and Uncertain Future.” It was a challenging discussion about where higher education is heading and how it will change in the future. The afternoon seminar covered “The AI Revolution, Preparing Students for the Future Workforce.” Troy Horton from the Department of Innovation & Technology with the State of Illinois was one of the main presenters. Turns out Troy is from Rushville, is a Spoon River graduate, had two degrees from Western and has worked with several companies before taking his position with the State of Illinois.

We received information on current pending legislation which should be sent to all trustees by email from Jessica Nardulli, ICCTA Legislative Counsel. Trustees are strongly encouraged to attend the Community College Legislative Day on Thursday May 2nd. Wednesday night May 1st the community colleges will be hosting the 2nd annual community college caucus reception. The majority of legislation will be in final stages and it would be a good time to be speaking with our legislators.

April is Community College Month and the Governor recently signed a proclamation. ACCT has a toolkit available for colleges which I shared with the college.

Tomorrow will be the ICCTA West Central Region meeting hosted by Black Hawk College East, Galva. A copy of the agenda and details are being provided. The meeting will begin at noon in the Ag Area.

1.8 Report – Student Government Representative

Savannah Smith-Coulter presented the following report:

Esmeralda Uribe of Lewistown was elected to be the 2024-25 SRC student trustee. Esme has been accepted into the SRC Nursing Program. Esme is a current peer tutor for the TRIO program, secretary for the Canton Student Government Association, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Congratulations, Esme.

SRC Theatre presented three public performances of their production of Ira Levin's comic thriller *Deathtrap* March 1-3. A February 29 sneak preview was presented to 80 students from Lewistown and Cuba High Schools. The show by the numbers:

- The company (cast and crew) of the production included
 - 18 currently enrolled students, including some dual-credit high school students (and one student trustee)
 - 3 college employees
 - 3 community members, including one professional fight director
- The show was attended by approximately 135 patrons over three public performances plus 80 high schoolers for the sneak preview

The company of *Deathtrap* would like to express their gratitude to the College and community for their continuing support of the arts at SRC.

Congratulations to Men's Basketball player Latrell Kyle who was voted 1st Team All-Conference and Mid-West Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year!

Student activities this month include:

- Pizza with the Prez in Canton and Macomb
- Treats for Havana students with reminders to register for summer and fall courses
- Leprechaun popcorn to welcome students back from spring break for Rushville students

The TRIO workshop topic was about planning a four-year transfer. 23 of 41 spring and summer TRIO graduates are planning to transfer to a four year after degree completion at SRC.

The Spoon River College Healthcare Enthusiasts and Leaders Student Association and Student Nursing Association hosted a field trip on March 25. 60 students, 4 Nursing Faculty and 3 staff, attended the event and spent the morning at Jump Simulation & Education Center at OSF Healthcare. While at Jump Simulation & Education Center, the group participated in a tour of their facility along with several hands-on activities within their Anatomy Lab, STEAM Classroom, Bio-Engineering Surgical Planning area and their Virtual Operating Room.

Congratulations to the students who were inducted during the Phi Theta Kappa ceremony held last evening. We currently have 106 PTK members enrolled at SRC.

1.9 Report – Spoon River College Foundation

President Oldfield introduced Dustin Berg, the new Director of the Foundation. He comes to us from Tri-States Radio.

Dusty thanked President Oldfield and reported that after graduating from SRC he went to WIU. He reviewed his previous work history, and he said he is very happy to be at SRC and everyone is very helpful. He introduced his wife Larissa who is with him this evening.

Dusty said he likes to take a data driven approach, and one of the biggest things he considers is that academic success is great but we also need to make sure we are meeting the needs of our communities so it is a wholistic approach. Dusty reported on financials since February 20 that total \$69,003.16. Future events include the Golf Outing this summer. Another consideration is a luncheon in Macomb for financial planners. We have funds that are not quite fully endowed so Dusty said he would like to work to fulfill those. The MOC buildout is also a priority, and

Dusty said he is laser focused on getting rooms named and funds for furnishings. President Oldfield said Dusty has been on the job a week and a half and is asking great questions and has great ideas to move the Foundation forward.

1.10 Report – Board Member Comments

There were no additional comments from the Board Members.

2.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2.1 Communications

President Oldfield shared that we received notification that we received an ICCB grant for Virtual Reality that Brad O'Brien authored. This will be used to highlight our CTE programs. We look forward to implementing that to enhance recruitment.

President Oldfield shared that the PTK Induction was last night in Macomb. He thanked Trustees Meade and Maguire for attending as well as advisor Becca Werland for hosting the event. He heard a lot of very positive comments and appreciates everyone's efforts.

President Oldfield reported on recent New hire Coltin Howerter. Coltin is the new Accounts Payable Specialist in the Business Office, and he started March 11. We are up to a full staff in the Business Office now. We are happy to have Coltin with us.

President Oldfield reminded the Board that the bid opening for the MOC is April 2 at 2 p.m. This is a webinar hosted by the Capital Development Board. He will share the link when it is available. The pre-bid meeting was held last week, and there were contractors present, and we are hopeful for competitive bids. Mike Strauman will manage the construction phase once that begins. We are thankful for Mike's expertise. John Biernbaum asked if contractors were required to attend the pre-bid meeting. President Oldfield said no, they were not. JB asked what President Oldfield expects. President Oldfield said he has heard that the escalation has slowed down, but he expects to be over our intended. The one issue that did concern President Oldfield came from Quick Electric who said switch gear is a 52 week lead time, so that would need to be one of the first items ordered. JB asked if the bid is built with deducts or additions. What is the plan when it goes over. President Oldfield said CDB manages that with 10% and will manage those decision-making meetings which will include Mike as well. President Oldfield said there are no adds. Mike Strauman said he is hesitant to offer an overage at this point. President Oldfield said the Board can attend, and he will share the webinar link.

President Oldfield reported that we are also eagerly anticipating word from Senator Durbin's office regarding the Congressional funds that were approved last weekend. We anticipate hearing from his office or the Department of Health and Human Services about next steps for those funds which total \$1 million dollars.

President Oldfield reported that Velvet led a team on a grant application for Continuing Education Contact Training, and the grant was submitted, and we are anticipating a formal announcement about that grant. This will present us a nice opportunity to expand continuing education.

Mr. Cremer asked about the bids and when construction would begin. President Oldfield said CDB is anticipating 60 days after award, which would be June 2 for the award date, so with a month of details, construction could begin in early July. We did ask for May 25, 2025 to be the substantial completion date for the project.

President Oldfield shared that May 7 from 2 to 4 pm. is the ribbon cutting of the Votech building at the Canton Campus, and we will invite EDA as well as the McPheeters family for the naming of the lab. The ceremony will be at 2:30. We will also be recognizing Compeer for the grant funds for the greenhouse ribbon cutting.

2.2 Business and Finance Report

2.2.1 Authorize the following payments for the month of March 2024:

Payroll	\$637,249.90
Accounts Payable (excluding travel)	631,020.90
Accounts Payable Travel Expenses	21,042.85
Accounts Payable BOT Travel Expenses	603.12
Electronic Payments (Health/Life Insurance)	377,243.27
Student Refunds – Accounts Payable	11,232.21
Student Refunds – Nelnet (electronic)	<u>728,393.07</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,406,785.32

Following a motion by Savannah Smith-Coulter, seconded by Linda Butler, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorized the following payments for the month of March 2024:

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2.2.2 Approve the Job Order Contract Proposal from CORE Construction, Peoria, Illinois, for the Macomb Outreach Center Parking Lot Improvement Project, in the amount of \$134,217.39. Funds for this project are available from the \$100,000 DECO Grant and \$34,217.39 from the Macomb East Renovation Bond funds.

President Oldfield presented this item to the Trustees. This is funding that Representative Norine Hammond secured for us a couple of budgets ago, and we have completed the DCEO process to secure the funds. Job order contract is a tool that boards can use because the bidding process has already been approved by the State. Core is out of Peoria and is willing to do this work. This work is for the Macomb East parking lot and is a second section to be improved. John Biernbaum asked if this is an overlay. Mike said it is a mill and two inch overlay. This section is the worst section of the parking lot. President Oldfield said this will be nice as we continue to have more events at the MOC to have more appealing parking and continue to make upgrades. President Oldfield said there will be a section open next to the building because that is part of the plan. Busses will come in the east drive and exit on Bower Road. That section is a part of the MOC project. Dave Maguire asked about the lighting on the west side and will that cover the new section. President Oldfield said he reviewed that last night when he was at the MOC, and he thinks that will be sufficient. Jerry Cremer asked about the GoWest busses and how often they come through. President Oldfield said they make three or four trips to the current campus. Some public also access that stop at the Macomb Campus. Jerry asked once we have students there could we upgrade a more frequent stop. President Oldfield said we will work with GoWest when we are complete and as we identify the need for more access. President Oldfield said he anticipates a bigger need because of our new location. Dave Maguire said we need to have GoWest on a surface

that does not deteriorate because of the bus. President Oldfield said the architects meet with GoWest as well.

Following a motion by John Biernbaum, seconded by Linda Butler, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the Job Order Contract Proposal from CORE Construction, Peoria, Illinois, for the Macomb Outreach Center Parking Lot Improvement Project, in the amount of \$134,217.39. Funds for this project are available from the \$100,000 DECO Grant and \$34,217.39 from the Macomb East Renovation Bond funds.

- 2.2.3 Authorize the President or designee to provide a letter of intent for the purpose of establishing a power purchase agreement with a solar company.

President Oldfield said he and Mike Strauman have met, and Mike has done a lot of work in this area and has received three proposals for solar at the Canton Campus. There would be 5 acres used for a solar field. We have narrowed it down to two companies and are finalizing negotiations for solar and purchasing power at the Canton Campus for about 90% of our needs. The remaining amount will be made up with our Ameren connection. Both companies have said they can exceed 90%. Both companies also build in a payback option as well. President Oldfield said he feels that this is the right move to make. The first step is a non-binding letter of intent. The College could also purchase the equipment at various points in time in the contract. The savings equates to about \$100,000 once up and running, which is most likely not until 2026. This is a long process, and this is the first step of many. In April, we will present the details from the successful bidder. Kent Schleich asked if the power transfer is problematic. President Oldfield said no because about 10 years ago a circuit was installed and the equipment is newer. Quick Electric has reviewed the equipment and said it can support solar. Kent asked about the geography. President Oldfield said that Quick has reviewed that as well and has said it can be completed. Dave Maguire said we don't anticipate any major costs. President Oldfield said no. We only agree to buy the power back at a negotiated rate for a fixed period of time. The Canton Campus also sits in a special zone because of the closing of the power plants in Havana and Canton, and anyone who invests receives a 40% tax rebate. They can only legally create enough power for 95% of our own usage. Dave asked if The Villas is included. President Oldfield said no, they are on their own meter. Kent asked if the companies do their own fencing. President Oldfield said yes, as well as maintenance, mowing, and repair. There are zero upfront costs. Kevin Meade asked about arboretum access. President Oldfield said Carriage Lane will be used, and the road will be trimmed for access to the back field section. Kevin asked if we will have to maintain that area. President Oldfield said the arboretum Carriage Road, yes. And, the access road does not have to be paved. Linda Butler asked in the agreement will there be opportunity for us to use for educational purposes. President Oldfield said both companies have expressed interest in a mock up system that could be used for training but because this is a live system for the main solar system, they don't want to take it off line. President Oldfield said traceable solar will look like the system set along Route 24 that moves with the sun. Kent asked about the location of the field so we can still use the remaining acreage. President Oldfield said yes, and the shading needs to be considered before it is finalized but will keep the remaining acres together. Jerry asked if any companies have provided life expectancy. President Oldfield said companies have offered 25 to 30 years. However, there are purchase opportunities if we would want to buy in at a prorated amount and the advantage is that we wouldn't pay the 4cents to someone else yet you would have to come up with the cash. We do want to have that option. President Oldfield said the first option is in 2025. Mike said inverters will be replaced in 10 year intervals. We would probably be looking at the purchase around 30 years. Even after the panel warranties expire, there is still efficiency. They are offering up to a 35 year power purchase agreement. Kevin asked about disposal and end of life. Mike

said that at the end of 35 years, for example, the equipment doesn't stop working, it's just a lower efficiency. If we want to dispose at that point, it is on the company to come in and remove. They could offer it to us for scrap value. There is a little ongoing cost at that point for annual inspections and maintenance. Mike offered that there is a company that is starting to expand, and they are recycling and delaminating sheets and reclaim some of the components that go into this and reuse. President Oldfield said another question was about power disruption. If power goes down, this will go down. If we lose power because of an Ameren issue, the solar system goes down also.

Following a motion by Linda Butler, seconded by Savannah Smith-Coulter, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorized the President or designee to provide a letter of intent for the purpose of establishing a power purchase agreement with a solar company.

2.3 Institutional Planning

- Havana Center Update – Stephanie Howerter presented the following report:

Note: 9th year as Havana Director; 24th year with the college

Opportunities to Promote SRC & the Havana Center

- Currently serving on the Havana Chamber of Commerce Board; serving as Co-Treasurer
- Attend the monthly Havana Business Group meetings.
- Serve on the Early Childhood Council
- Attend the quarterly Mason County Coordinating Council meetings. Meetings are held at SRC Havana Center; currently serving as President of the Council
- Volunteer with the Mason District Hospital Auxiliary
- Sherri Rader provided SRC bracelets to be included as a promotional item for the Healthy Kids Running Series; average 25 – 40 participants each session
- Provided snacks to the GOTR (Girl On The Run) group for spring 2024; 11 participants; program held at New Central Elementary
- Attending games (JR high and HS)

Current & Upcoming Events

- Basic Woodworking class being held at HHS by Phil Foster; Community Outreach course (6 enrolled)
- April 12: Registering graduating seniors from Havana High School for fall 2024 at HHS.
- April 24: Family Resource Fair at Havana Junior High School
- May 1: Providing information for transfer, CTE, Adult Education, and Community Education programs and registration during Kindergarten kick-off.
- May 2: Early Childhood Council Spring Event; provide an activity and information on transfer, CTE, Adult Education, and Community Education programs and registration

Looking ahead

- Summer Youth Programming is being planned for June; working with Havana Area Prevention Team to provide a program
- 9a – 12p, May 21 River class with IRBS; well-received last year

Facility Rentals

- School Exec Connect; Nature's Grace & Wellness, and US Army Corps of Engineers

Potential Project

- Working with CASSCOMM to potentially bring a Fiber 101 workshop to SRC Havana

Goals 2024-2025

- To continue working with Havana High School; new Superintendent and HS Principal
- To assist businesses with training; currently waiting of notification for a workforce grant through ICCB; in talks with MDH to offer training to their employees.

President Oldfield thanked Stephanie for her report and continuing to represent the College. He also attends the Tuesday coffees and sees first hand what a great resource Stephanie is for the community. Cass Communications contacted us about the need for fiber installation and have heard the need from other entities, and Community Outreach has a week-long class that will teach installers how to install fiber into homes . Thank you Stephanie for all you do for SRC in Havana.

- Employee Satisfaction Survey Results – Andrea Thomson presented the Employee Satisfaction Survey Results to the Board. Andrea thanked The Trustees for the opportunity to present the results of the Employee Satisfaction Survey. She reviewed the statements and results with the Trustees. She stated that the Survey opened at the end of January, and we had 106 participants, which is seven more than 2022. President’s Cabinet has reviewed the results of the survey as well. She noted that in the Institutional/General category, the statement “I have adequate input into the budget process of the college” showed a decline over the previous year. That decline could be attributed to the zero based budgeting last year with an all hands on deck process. Most of the comments in this section had to do with dissatisfaction with compensation. The Facilities section showed significant improvements which could be attributed to organizational changes and a fully staffed Maintenance Department. Andrea thanked Mike for his efforts and leadership. Lastly, Andrea reviewed an additional section that was included this year in order to seek input on Recognition. In response to that addition, the College is hosting two pizza lunches this year for employee recognition events. The first is scheduled for Friday, April 12 in Canton at noon, and the second is scheduled for Friday, April 19 at the Macomb Campus.

Kevin Meade asked about the very first question and how it was asked. Andrea presented the question and said 100% said they either agree or strongly agree. “I enjoy my work at the college” is the question. Kevin also complimented the significant increase in responses for the Maintenance questions and that is a tremendous vote of confidence in the work that Mike is doing.

PO thanked Andrea and the Institutional Effectiveness Team and thanked Brian Dalpiaz for his work when the survey was originally written. We have consistently asked the same questions for trend analysis. We also read every comment as a President’s Cabinet and do the best to address those and implement any recommended changes, so we encourage employees to be as specific as possible when commenting.

3.0 ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- President’s Annual Self-Evaluation Letter

President Oldfield said on Friday he send to the Trustees his evaluation letter, which is the first step in the evaluation process. The instrument has been posted in the folder for Trustees to complete and submit to Julie.

3.1 Approval of Board of Trustees 2024—2025 Budget

President Oldfield presented this item and explained that the current Board budget is presented for consideration. This starts the budget process for the College. Julie is the Board's budget manager and maintains the budget for the Trustees. He asked if there are any changes and asked Dave for travel expectations. Dave said he does not anticipate any significant changes. President Oldfield said the rest is on target for the categories.

Following a motion by John Biernbaum to keep the Board's budget the same, seconded by Kent Schleich and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approved the Board of Trustees 2024-2025 Budget keeping it the same as the 2023-2024 budget.

- 4.0 CLOSED SESSION. In accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Section 2 (c), the Board of Trustees will adjourn to Closed Session for the purposes of paragraph 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; 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; 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; 6) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.

Jerry Cremer said there is a call for Closed Session, and there will not be action following.

- 5.0 Following a motion by Dave Maguire for the following purposes: 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; 6) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, seconded by Linda Butler, and a roll call vote of unanimous approval, it was,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees adjourned to Closed Session for the following purposes: 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; 6) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, at 7:35 p.m.

The Spoon River College Board of Trustees returned to Open Session at 8:01 p.m.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Dave Maguire, seconded by John Biernbaum, and unanimous approval, the Regular Meeting of the Spoon River College Board of Trustees, March 27, 2024, adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Jerry Cremer, Chair

Date

Linda Butler, Secretary