

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT #512
COUNTIES OF COOK, KANE, LAKE, AND McHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Wednesday, October 14, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 512 was called to order by Chair Pat Stack on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in The Performing Arts Center (Building R), 1200 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Greg Dowell, Diane Hill, Herb Johnson, Bill Kelley, Walt Mundt, Nancy Robb, Pat Stack, and Student Member Dylan Hildebrand.

Absent: none

Also present: Dr. Avis Proctor, President; Laura Brown, VP and Chief Advancement Officer; Sue Contarino, Interim Chief Information Officer; Dr. Maria Coons, Vice President of Strategic Alliances and Innovation; Rob Galick, Executive Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services; Bob Grapenthien, Interim Controller; Dr. MaryAnn Janosik, Provost; Jeff Julian, Chief of Staff; Darryl Knight, Executive director of Facilities Management; Dr. Claudia Mercado, Interim Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Regan Myers, Director of Infrastructure Services; Kim Pohl, Director of Communications; Darlene Schlenbecker, Vice President of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness; Dr. Michelé Smith, Vice President of Workforce Solutions; Roger Spayer, Chief Human Resources Officer; Sean Warren-Crouch, Promise Scholarship Program Manager; Heather Zoldak, Associate Executive Director of Foundation; Meg Coney, Administrative Coordinator; Dave Dluger, Media Technical Director; Thomas French, Theatre Technical Director; Scott Haase, Rick Kellerman, Network Specialist, Chelsea Lynn, Theatre Technical Director; Carolynn Muci, Internal Communications Manager; Orlando Cabrera, Technical Support Specialist.

Also present via audio-conference: Dr. Kathy Bruce, Interim Associate Provost; Dr. Kathy Coy, Director of Institutional Research; Bob Parzy, Interim Associate Provost of Enrollment Services; Thom Lange, Manager, Conference and Events.

Guests: Melissa Cayer, citizen

Guests via audio-conference: Mark White, Sr. Optimization Executive and Program Manager of CampusWorks; Christopher Placek, Daily Herald.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Melissa Cayer mentioned that students looking to be election judges for the November election must supply a party affiliation per the Cook County website.

DISCUSSION OF
FOLLOW UP ITEMS

In response to the Board's request for additional recommendations to financially sustain the Promise scholarship beyond the next ten years, Dr. Michelé Smith presented proposals from the Promise Advisory Committee that would pivot the program while preserving the pledge to Harper's Promise Scholars and addressing the changing landscape of higher education. The Board is expected to vote on a recommendation in November.

Darlene Schlenbecker reviewed the College Plan for 2020-2021 which includes the President's Goals, the Strategic Plan, Operational Plan and Budget and Capital Plan.

Rob Galick introduced Dan Forbes from Speer Financial, Inc. to present the outcome of the 28 bids received for the October 14, 2020 sale of \$180,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020. Mr. Forbes presented the costs of issuance comparisons from recent larger Harper College bond sales. He explained the recommendation to accept the bid from JP Morgan Securities, New York, New York. The bonds were sold earlier than usual due to the low rates available.

Bob Grapenthien presented a review of the FY21 budget to date.

The Board members each provided a short summary of the sessions attended at the virtual 2020 ACCT Leadership Congress. Dr. Maria Coons took notes from these reports for follow-up action.

Dr. Maria Coons reviewed the October 21 Board Packet.

FORMAL ACTIONS

Member Kelley motioned; Member Mundt seconded to enter closed session to discuss litigation at 7:00 p.m. In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Member Dowell motioned; Member Hill seconded to adjourn the closed session and re-enter the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Regular meeting resumed at 7:42 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Robb moved, Member Dowell seconded, adjournment at 7:43 p.m.

In a voice vote, motion carried.

Chair

Secretary

