Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Wednesday, November 8, 2017

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 Dowell on Wednesday, November 8, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. in Room W-201 of the Wojcik Conference Center, 1200 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine, Illinois, for a special session of a Mock HLC Accreditation meeting with the Board; and then moved to Room W-216 of the Wojcik Conference Center to continue the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Greg Dowell, Herb Johnson, Walt Mundt, Nancy Robb, Pat Stack, and Student Member Niki Safakas

Absent: Diane Hill, William Kelley

Also present: Kenneth Ender, President; Ronald Ally, EVP Finance and Administrative Services; Patrick Bauer, Chief Information Officer, Bret Bonnstetter, Controller; Laura Brown, Chief Advancement Officer; Maria Coons, Vice President of Institutional Planning and Strategic Alliances and Chief of Staff; Brian Knetl, Associate Provost; Darryl Knight, Executive Director Facilities Management; Judy Marwick, Provost; Maria Moten, Assistant Provost; Mark Mrozinski, Assistant Vice President of Workforce Development and Executive Dean Community Education; Sheryl Otto, Assistant Provost and Dean of Student Development; Pearl Ratunil, Special Assistant to the President for Diversity and Inclusion; Darlene Schlenbecker, Executive Director for Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness; Michelé Smith, Vice President of Workforce Solutions; Roger Spayer, Chief Human Resources Officer; Meg Coney, Administrative Coordinator; Kim Pohl, Media Relations & Legislative Affairs Manager; Kathy Coy, Director of Institutional Research; Sue Egan, Project Assistant; Julie Ellefson, Professor; Jennifer Berne, Dean.

Guests: Jon King, Sightlines; Molly McGillian, Sightlines; Melissa Cayer, citizen.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Melissa Cayer asked the Board if the county takes a percentage of tax revenue from Harper College for a collection fee. Dr. Ally responded to her question. She also asked if the auditor’s opinion in the CAFR is a State mandated response, since many CAFR documents contain similar language. Dr. Ally suggested she contact him regarding this question and he provided her with his business card.
DISCUSSION OF FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Jon King and Molly McGillian from Sightlines presented an update on the condition of Harper’s physical assets. Sightlines provides services to the College in the areas of benchmarking, analysis, planning and setting operational priorities.

Harper has effectively leveraged available capital funding to reduce backlog, increase net asset value, and lower the campus age profile. However, the buildings and their components continue to age resulting in an ongoing need to reinvest and renovate. Over the next decade, Harper will see needs arise in the newer and more complex buildings, such as Avanté. Given the composition of need, priority should be placed on replacing MEP and core campus infrastructure systems.

Dr. Ender and Darlene Schlenbecker debriefed the Mock HLC Accreditation Visit that began today. The evaluators were impressed with the Board’s leadership and support; their knowledge of College goals and operations toward achieving those goals; knowing their role with regard to oversight of the College; the shared governance system collaboration; communication between the President and Board; the onboarding experience for new trustees; and the strength of Harper’s finances.

Darlene Schlenbecker provided an update on the FY2018 Operational Plan and status of the 55 goals: three are completed, 46 are on target, four need attention, and two goals will not be met this fiscal year.

Bret Bonnstetter provided an update on the FY18 Budget/Actual-Tax Capped Funds.

Dr. Maria Coons reviewed the November Board Packet.

FORMAL ACTIONS

Member Stack motioned, Member Mundt seconded, to enter closed session to discuss a personnel matter at 6:12 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:
Ayes: Members Dowell, Mundt, Stack, Robb, Johnson, and Student Member Safakas.
Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Member Stack motioned, Member Johnson seconded, to adjourn the closed session and re-enter the regular meeting at 6:29 p.m. In a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.
ADJOURNMENT

Member Mundt motioned, Member Hill seconded. In a voice vote, the motion carried. Adjournment at 6:30 p.m.

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Chair                                      Secretary