

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, February 14, 2024

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 Vice Chair Walt Mundt on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in of the Wojcik Conference Center, 1200 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine, Illinois. Vice Chair Mundt serving as Chair as Chair Kelley is attending a conference and joined by phone.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Greg Dowell, Herb Johnson, Bill Kelley (via phone at 5:14 pm), Diane Hill, Walt Mundt, Nancy Robb, Pat Stack Student Member Kei Smith.

Absent: None

Also present:

Paula Akialis, Assistant Professor; Joseph Angermeier, Instructor; Dr. Yolonda Barnes, Dean, Business Social Sciences; Mike Barzacchini, Director of Marketing Services; Julie Bearden, Director of Campus Recreation; Tony Butler, Director of Risk Management; Orlando Cabrera, Tech Support Specialist; Scott Cashman, Senior Manager Community, Career and Corporate Education; Meg Coney, Administrative Coordinator; Dr. Maria Coons, Vice President and Board Liaison; Dr. Kathy Coy, Director, Institutional Research; Megan Dallianis, Interim Associate Provost-Student Success; Amanda Duval, Chief Human Resources Officer; Julie Ellefson, Professor; Rob Galick, EVP Finance and Administrative Services; Bob Grapenthien, Controller; Rita Gura, Interim Dean Health Careers; Erika Hartman, Administrative Coordinator; Mary Kay Harton, Dean of Students; Dr. Joanne Ivory, Dean, Career and Technical Programs; Dr. Tamara Johnson, Vice President, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Jeff Julian, Chief of Staff; Nellie Khalil, Associate Professor; Rick Kellerman, Network Specialist; Virginia McHugh-Kurtz, Assistant Professor; Nancy Medina, Executive Director Facilities Management; Sherese Parker, Director of Athletics; Bob Parzy, Associate Provost of Enrollment; Kim Pohl, Director of Communications; Dr. Avis Proctor, President; Jaime Riewerts, Dean Liberal Arts; Darlene Schlenbecker, Vice President of Planning, Research, and Institutional Effectiveness; Darice Trout, Senior Director, Community, Career and Corporate Education, Dr. Michelé Smith, Vice President, Business Solutions; Mark Wahlers, Interim Associate Provost Curriculum and Instruction; Frank Wawrzyniak, Coordinator of Membership and Facilities; Dr. Ruth Williams, Provost; Riaz Yusuff, Chief Information Officer; Heather Zoldak, Chief Advancement Officer.

Guests: David Yandel, FGM Architects; Tim Lumpp and Erik Schwab, Pepper Construction; Martha Bell and Lane Moyer, Decennial Committee members

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harper employee Paula Akialis, Assistant Professor and Program Coordinator for the Health Information Technology program thanked the Board for their past support in keeping tuition rates the same for in district and out of district students for the fully online HIT program. She asked that the Board support this again when they vote next week. She shared a few student stories relaying how the in-district rate made attending Harper viable.

### DISCUSSION OF FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Rob Galick introduced David Yandel from FGM Architects to present the reassessment of the Building and Social Sciences Center's schematic design cost reductions since first presented in January. Collaboration and feedback helped to maintain all programmatic elements, space sizes and aesthetics. Theatre equipment, interiors, site work/landscaping, building façade and paving materials were re-evaluated from nice to have vs. college standards. More than \$10 million in savings was found, leaving an adjusted construction cost variance of \$3 million. The next steps are to continue reviewing phasing and temporary conditions; stormwater reconciliation with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District; move into design development phase and continue identifying additional cost saving options. The Board thanked them for addressing the financial and environmental elements.

Dr. Kathy Coy presented a year-long project to take Harper's Fact Book from a static PDF document to dynamic technology with Power BI reporting that can filter and slice data in many ways, reflected in various charts and graphs. The book's structure was also redesigned into topical categories with clear headings. This document can be accessed by the community. She toured the Board through the site and main functionality. She also highlighted how the collaboration between key stakeholders, frequent users, other colleges, and seeking best practices in how to find information informed the new product. The Board asked how often the data is refreshed. Coy explained the information is based on state and federal reports and Harper follows their cycle. The FY2023 year's data is posted. Trustee Dowell asked if there is data collected on the number of users accessing the site? Coy will get that information. The Board said the site looks great and appears easy to use.

Dr. Maria Coons reviewed the February Board packet. Trustee Dowell asked if there would be further discussion of the proposed tuition change. The proposal was first presented at the January Financial Workshop but there was interest expressed in having further

discussion on the topic. For example, where does Harper fall on the list of Illinois community colleges as to tuition and fee rates. Dr. Proctor mentioned that there would be follow-up conducted on any questions related to the proposed tuition change and that additional information will be sent to the trustees before next week's Board meeting.

The Board then commenced the Decennial Committee. Minutes are recorded separately.

FORMAL ACTIONS

There were no formal actions taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Stack moved, Member Dowell seconded, adjournment at 5:54 p.m.

In a voice vote, motion carried.

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Chair

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Secretary