

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 16, 2021
Board of Trustees Meeting

Trustees announced intent to hire a President at Lincoln Trail College at the upcoming April 20th Board of Trustees meeting. Upon Board approval in April, this candidate would become LTC's 11th President. The presidency came open when LTC President Dr. Ryan Gower was chosen to begin the duties of the IECC Chancellor in May 2020. Mr. Roger Eddy is currently serving as LTC's Interim President.

The trustees gave special recognition to Sutton Dunn, Student Trustee for the past year, expressing appreciation for his service during the past 12 months to the Board of Trustees and the IECC District. Sutton is a student at Olney Central College and his term ended with the March meeting.

Trustees adopted a resolution of general support for the construction of an addition to the Bob Boyles Hall at Frontier Community College. This is a preliminary step in support of expanded space on college property to accommodate use of the facility for a senior center. Funds for construction and operation of the senior center would utilize local community resources.

Articulation agreements were approved between the IECC District and McKendree University, located in Lebanon, Illinois. These agreements will become effective Fall Semester 2021 and are a part of a new partnership between the two schools that will allow IECC and McKendree to better serve students by ensuring a smoother transfer, minimize duplication of instruction and build on the existing community college and university learning experiences. Agreements were approved for the following programs: Associate in Applied Science in Accounting to Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting; Associate in Applied Science in Office Administration to Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Administration; Associate in Applied Science Human Resource Assistant to Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resource Management; Associate in Applied Science in Marketing Business Management to Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing; and Associate in Applied Science in Office Management to Bachelor Business Administration in Management.

Trustees adopted a new policy concerning guidelines for employment of relatives.

An increase was approved for welding course fees. The new fee will be \$75 per course beginning Fall Semester 2021.

The IECC District's Identity Theft Prevention Program and the Program Status Report were approved. Federal regulations require the district to develop and implement a written identity theft prevention program, since the district participates in the Federal Perkins Loan Program and

the Federal Family Education Loan Program, offers institutional loans to students and administers a tuition payment plan that allows qualified students to pay their tuition and fees throughout the semester. Therefore, IECC is a “creditor” and student accounts are “covered accounts” subject to the federal regulations on identity theft prevention.

An affiliation agreement was approved with The Carle Foundation for the Lincoln Trail College Certified Medical Assistant Program and approval was given for an annual letter of extension of the Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Good Samaritan Hospital, located in Vincennes, Indiana, for the Medical Office Assistant and Medical Coding Programs at Lincoln Trail College and Olney Central College.

The Board approved the following personnel actions. A change in status was approved for Amber Malone from Administrative Assistant at Lincoln Trail College, to Associate Dean of Admissions and Records at the District Office, effective March 17, 2021; a change in status for Justn Young as Office Assistant at Frontier Community College to Coordinator of Financial Aid at Frontier Community College, effective March 17, 2021. Resignations were approved for Shawn Hall as Head Soccer Coach at Lincoln Trail College, effective February 18, 2021; and for Tristan Caparas as Information Systems Technician at Lincoln Trail College, effective March 17, 2021. Retirements were approved for Michael Thomas as Dean of Workforce Education, with an amended effective date of October 1, 2021; and for Theresa Marcotte as Associate Dean of Nursing and Allied Health, effective May 16, 2021.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel.