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December 8, 2015

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges certified the district's tax levies for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017, at the regular meeting Tuesday, December 8, at Lincoln Trail College, Robinson. The action followed a public hearing held during the November 17, 2016, meeting. The levies are for the education and building fund, outstanding bond issue, tort liability, workmen's compensation and unemployment, financial audit, social security and Medicare.

The IECC tax rate for fiscal year 2017 is estimated at 45.0 cents per \$100 in equalized assessed valuation. The Certificate of Tax Levy is filed on or before the last Tuesday in December with the county clerk in each of the 12 counties in which part of the IECC district is located.

A resolution was adopted to comply with a General Accounting Standards Board requirement that under GASB guidelines, taxes levied for the year 2015 will be collected late in calendar year 2016 and that 100% of the levy will be allocated to fiscal year 2017.

Action was taken to certify that IECC has complied with provisions of the Truth in Taxation Law.

Trustees approved an agreement with McKendree University to assist professional development and educational opportunities for qualified IECC employees. The Board also approved an agreement with Eastern Illinois University for an agreement for concurrent enrollment for IECC's ADN Nursing Program and EIU's Bachelors of Science in Nursing Degree.

The trustees approved the following revised policies as a result of an on-going comprehensive review of all policies. Changes to the Minimum Faculty Requirement and Qualifications Policy to meet new state guidelines for faculty were approved, changes to the Comprehensive Fee Policy to update the listing of program and course fees assessed were approved, and revisions to the Student Military Policy were approved to follow revisions made to the Federal Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act that all eligible veterans and their eligible dependents be offered in-state tuition at public colleges and universities.

Change in employment status was approved for Alyssa Parrott from Coordinator of Career Services at FCC, to Coordinator of Marketing & Career Services at FCC, effective January 1, 2016.

The resignation of Carrie Hallam as Information Technology Trainer and Support was accepted, effective January 1, 2016.

The retirement of Jervaise McDaniel, Associate Dean of Outreach at the West Richland Center, was accepted, effective January 9, 2016.

Three affiliation agreements were approved. Agreements for LTC's Basic Nurse Assistant Program were approved with Heritage Health and Crawford Memorial Hospital, both of Robinson, and for LTC's Certified Medical Assistant Program with Premier Healthcare, located in Bloomington, Indiana.

Dates, times and places were set for regular monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees for the 2016 calendar year as follows:

- Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 7 p.m., Wabash Valley College
- Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
- Tuesday, March 15, 2016, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College
- Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 7 p.m., Olney Central College
- Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 7 p.m., Wabash Valley College
- Tuesday, June 21, 2016, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
- Tuesday, July 19, 2016, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College
- Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 7 p.m., Olney Central College
- Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 7 p.m., Wabash Valley College
- Tuesday, October 18, 2016, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
- Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College
- Tuesday, December 13, 2016, 7 p.m., Olney Central College

Regular meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, with the exception of the December meeting, which is held on the second Tuesday.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, January 19, at 7 p.m. at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel.