

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 18, 2006
Board of Trustees Meeting

A resolution requesting the transfer of property from the City of Fairfield to Illinois Eastern Community Colleges was approved by the Board of Trustees, at the regular meeting, Tuesday, April 18, at Frontier Community College, Fairfield.

The property is Lot Number 14 in the Fairfield Industrial Park and is located immediately north of FCC's Workforce Education Building. The lot is being conveyed for the price of \$1,000, which the city indicated is the approximate cost of legal fees for clearing title to the property. The IECC district will accept a warranty deed which retains for the city a right-of-first-refusal in the event the district ever decides to sell the property. Mayor Mickey Borah and members of the Fairfield City Council attended the meeting and indicated support for the transfer. The Mayor and council will take final action at a city council meeting this week.

The oath of office was administered to Jessica Lowe, who was seated for a one year term as student member of the Board of Trustees. A sophomore at Frontier Community College, she succeeds Laura Tiusaba Guzman.

A Transcript Exchange Institution Agreement was approved. The program is designed to allow prospective students to send their official academic transcripts directly to IECC, electronically over the Internet. The Illinois Transcript Exchange is sponsored by the State of Illinois and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. It is provided free of charge to all Illinois high schools, counselors, students, families and approved colleges.

The bid of Kieffer Bros. Construction Co., Mt. Carmel, was accepted for Protection, Health and Safety compliance work throughout the district. The firm's bid was \$970,500. Included are various repairs and accessibility improvements and work to upgrade plumbing at various district locations. The work will be paid by Phase 8 PHS funds.

The bid of Laerdal Medical, Gatesville, Texas, \$20,256, was accepted for patient simulator manikins for the Nursing Program.

The bid of L & L Fabricating, Wellington, Ohio, \$20,750, was accepted for an air brake training system for the Diesel Equipment Program.

The bid of Haas Factory Outlet, St. Louis, Missouri, \$80,529, was accepted for a mill and lathe for the Machine Shop Technology Program.

Higher admission criteria for nursing students was approved. Students must currently have a 2.0 cumulative GPA or better and must have a high school diploma, a GED Equivalency Certificate, or be a high school senior or a college transfer student to be admitted to the nursing program. New admission requirements require a 2.5 GPA and a Certified Nurse Assistant Certificate.

Amendments were approved to the contracts for the LTC educational programs at the correctional centers, as follows: Lawrence Correctional Center's budget is reduced by \$15,825.69. Robinson Correctional Center's budget is reduced by \$9,869.

The fee for the College Level Examination Program and the Proficiency Exam were each increased from \$65 to \$70 per exam.

Allocation of activity fees for LTC, OCC and WVC were approved for the 2006-2007 academic year. The allocations are basically the same as in the past, with some minor changes.

The bid schedule for the 2006-2007 academic year was approved.

District enrollment is up nine percent over one year ago.

The resignation of Dr. Carl Heilman was accepted as President of Lincoln Trail College, effective July 1. He has accepted a position as President of the Barton County Community College District in Kansas.

The resignation of Jessica Mehringer as Women's Basketball Coach at Olney Central College was accepted, effective June 30.

The retirement of Pamela Henegar was accepted as Administrative Assistant at Wabash Valley College, effective July 31.

It was announced that the instructional unit cost district-wide is presently \$123.55.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, May 16, at 7 p.m. at Lincoln Trail College, Robinson.