

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 17, 2012
Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges approved the IECC 2012 Annual Program Review at the July 17 regular meeting at Lincoln Trail College, Robinson.

Annually, the District prepares a detailed review of specific career and technical education programs and an academic transfer discipline based on quality, cost, and need. The report also includes a review of cross-disciplinary instruction and student and academic support services. The program review report is filed with the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) by August 1.

During this year's review of programs and services, the District and the colleges reviewed 47 career and technical education degrees and certificates, as well as written and oral communications, general education, assessment of student learning, athletics, business services and student activities.

As a result of the program review, programs and services are continually changed to improve quality and cost. Program review provides an opportunity to up-date curricula to accommodate changes in the field and identify resource needs, as well as assess support services that contribute to better academic programs and the achievement of IECC's mission.

The 2012-2013 IECC Catalog was approved. The catalog sets forth all the courses, programs, degrees and certificates, along with the district policy that applies to the operation of the district and its students. Throughout the year, the Board approves changes to the catalog. Those changes are added as they occur to the electronic version of the District's catalog on the IECC website. This amended electronic version becomes the binding document for the District's relationship with students, faculty, and staff. The new catalog contains these already approved changes.

High school counselors continue to use the catalog when advising students and it has become an up-to-date listing of courses, degrees, programs and policy statements. The District will print 2,815 catalogs at a cost of \$8,100.

The IECC Human Resources policy on background checks was revised to provide for a criminal background check prior to employment, as requested by the District's new insurance carrier. The policy change applies to both full-time and part-time employees hired by the District.

A Joint Agreement for Education Cooperation was renewed with John A. Logan College, District No. 530. A new Joint Agreement for Education Cooperation was approved with Rend Lake College, District No. 521. Under the agreements the colleges agree to accept students in certain programs that are not offered by their home district.

A Basic Nurse Assistant Handbook was approved for all four colleges in the IECC District. This program was formerly identified as Certified Nurse Assistant. A handbook that was formerly developed

for the OCC program has been revised to embrace the Basic Nurse Assistant Training Program at the other three colleges.

Changes to the handbook include the prohibition of social networking during class, labs, and clinical, as well as the addition of a section regarding Clinical Student Conduct.

Two affiliation agreements were approved, with Gibson General Hospital, Princeton, Indiana, for the OCC Phlebotomy Program, and with Deaconess Hospital, Evansville, Indiana, for the FCC Emergency Response Training Program.

The bid of Electromek Diagnostic Systems, Troy, Illinois, was approved for a non-energized radiographic x-ray system. The bid was \$16,000. The system is for the Radiology Department, and is being purchased because current lab equipment is outdated and is affecting the quality experience the students need to be ready for placement in a clinical facility. A new operating console will mirror the equipment used by students in local hospital settings and a new radiography table will better prepare students for work with clinical supervisors within hospitals.

The CEO was granted approval to hire faculty as needed prior to the August Board of Trustees meeting.

The following personnel were employed:

Emily Ferguson, Nursing Instructor, effective August 9, 2012.

Cindy Foerster, Director of Adult Education, Frontier Community College, effective August 13, 2012, contingent upon continued grant funding.

Gina Hutton, Assistant Director, Educational Talent Search, District Office, effective July 23, 2012, contingent upon continued grant funding.

Samantha Krumreich, TRiO Upward Bound Counselor, District Office/Lincoln Trail College, effective August 1, 2012, contingent upon continued grant funding.

Jana Roark, TRiO Upward Bound Counselor, District Office/Lincoln Trail College, effective August 1, 2012, contingent upon continued grant funding.

Karen Souder, Administrative Assistant, Human Resources, District Office, effective August 1, 2012.

Scott Sparks, Head Women's Basketball Coach, Lincoln Trail College, effective July 18, 2012.

The employment status of Steve Patberg will be changed from Coordinator of Career Advisement to Dean of Instruction at Wabash Valley College, effective August 1, 2012.

All trustees were present at the July meeting.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at Olney Central College, Tuesday, August 21, at 7 p.m.