

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
November 15, 2005
Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges District No. 529 took action on a number of business matters at the monthly meeting, Tuesday, November 15, at Olney Central College.

Following a public hearing preceding the meeting, the district's tax levies were certified for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006. The levies are for the educational, operations & maintenance, governmental employees tort immunity act, Social Security and Medicare, financial audit, and worker's compensation and unemployment insurance funds.

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.

The IECC local tax rate is estimated at 42.43 cents per \$100 in equalized assessed valuation.

For the current fiscal year, local taxes account for about 10% of the college district's budgeted revenue, with about 53% from state government, and 37 percent from tuition, fees and miscellaneous sources.

The district's policy regarding leave for required court appearances was revised to include part-time employees. The change will allow the district to compute the average daily income of the part-time employee and allow the part-time employee to receive that as compensation for their court appearance.

The trustees approved the treasurer's bond with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for Roger Browning, Chief Finance Officer, who will also become the district's Treasurer on December 1.

An Observation Experience Agreement with the Wayne County Housing Authority, Fairfield, was approved for the Associate Degree Nursing Program. The agreement will provide student observation experience in a facility other than a classroom or clinical setting.

Affiliation Agreements for the new Olney Central College Phlebotomy Program were approved with the following hospitals: Richland Memorial Hospital, Olney; Crawford Memorial Hospital, Robinson; Fairfield Memorial Hospital, Fairfield; St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital, Effingham; Lawrence County Hospital, Lawrenceville. Under each of these agreements, the hospital agrees to make

its facilities available to students and faculty involved with the Phlebotomy Program.

The trustees approved an Affiliation Agreement for the OCC Phlebotomy Program and an Observation Experience Agreement with Clay County Hospital, Flora.

Marilyn Grove was recognized for her service to the IECC District. She is retiring as District Treasurer November 30. During her 36 years with IECC, she has also been a Secretary, Bookkeeper, Payroll Clerk, and Head Bookkeeper.

An agreement for a limited re-opener to the contract with the IECC Education Association to discuss possible changes in payroll dates was adopted.

Laura Kucharik was employed as Administrative Assistant in the Workforce Education Program.

Melissa Shilling was employed as Clerk/Receptionist at Frontier Community College, effective December 1.

Roger Browning was appointed as District Treasurer in addition to his position as Chief Finance Officer.

The employment status of Laurie Rist was changed from Office Assistant to Administrative Assistant for Business Industry Training Services.

The resignation of Amy Neikirk was accepted as Clinical Coordinator of Radiography at Olney Central College, effective December 30.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, December 13, at 7 p.m. at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel.