

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

December 9, 2014

Board of Trustees Meeting

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges' Board of Trustees filled a trustee vacancy at the regular meeting Tuesday, December 9, 2014, held at Frontier Community College. The vacancy was filled by appointing Alan (Al) Henager of Mt. Carmel. On December 1, 2014, Board member William Hudson was sworn in as Circuit Judge following his November election. A vacancy was created when Hudson had to resign from the Board. Under Illinois law, the Board is empowered to fill the vacancy by appointment.

The Board received an update on IECC's system for tracking student progress. This custom system allows faculty and staff to enter data on how a student is advancing. When students who have issues with a course or courses are identified, the retention coordinators and career placement advisors utilize this system to assist these students.

A fee change for the Asset or Compass Retest Fee from \$5.00 per retest to \$5.00 per test package was approved effective June 1, 2015.

IECC's Allied Health Program is currently certified by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). As recommended by ACEN, Board approval was given to remove the Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) requirement from the nursing admission criteria. Revised admission criteria will encourage, but not require, students to take the CNA course. Removal of the CNA requirement in ranking for nursing program admission is effective Fall 2016 ranking which will begin in February 2015.

An articulation agreement was approved between IECC and Eastern Illinois University (EIU). The agreement facilitates transfer for IECC students who complete IECC's Radio/TV Broadcasting A.A.S. and plan to continue their education at EIU and transfer into EIU's baccalaureate Communication Studies with Electronic Media Production B.A. in Audio and Video with a Minor in Broadcast Meteorology. Through this agreement, IECC and EIU are forming a cooperative relationship to better serve students' transfer experience and to provide them with an advising and planning resource.

Affiliation agreements were approved with the Wayne County Health Department in Fairfield for FCC's Health Informatics Program and with

Gibson General Hospital, located in Princeton, Indiana, for OCC's Phlebotomy Program.

A resolution was adopted setting meeting dates and locations for calendar year 2015 as follows:

Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 7 p.m., Olney Central College
Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College
Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
Monday, April 20, 2015, 5:30 p.m., Wabash Valley College
Tuesday, May 19, 2015, 7 p.m., Olney Central College
Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 7 p.m., Wabash Valley College
Tuesday, July 21, 2015, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
Tuesday, August 18, 2015, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College
Tuesday, September 15, 2015, 7 p.m., Olney Central College
Tuesday, October 20, 2015, 7 p.m., Wabash Valley College
Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 7 p.m., Frontier Community College
Tuesday, December 8, 2015, 7 p.m., Lincoln Trail College

A change in assignment was approved for Linda Monge, from Interim Dean of Instruction at FCC to Math Instructor at FCC, effective May 16, 2015.

A reassignment was approved for Pauletta Gullett from Health Programs Instructor at LTC, to Nursing Instructor, LTC. This change is effective January 5, 2015.

An additional assignment was approved for Robert Conn as Interim Dean of Instruction, at LTC.

An unpaid leave request was approved for Kimberly Merrick.

Temporary employment was approved for Laurie Jenkins as health Program Instructor at LTC, effective January 7, 2015.

Ratification of a request for retirement was approved for Christine Webber, Assistant Dean of Student Services at OCC, effective January 1, 2015.

Ratification of a request for retirement was approved for Sandra Lindsey, Office Assistant at LTC, effective February 1, 2015.

The semi-annual review of closed meeting minutes was conducted as required by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, January 20, at 7 p.m. at Olney Central College, Olney.