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February 17, 2015
Board of Trustees Meeting
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community College District No. 529 met Tuesday night, February 17th at Lincoln Trail College, Robinson, Illinois and accepted the Calendar Year 2014 Report for the IECC 403(b) Plan.

The Board approved the Statements of Final Construction Compliance for Illinois Eastern Community Colleges' projects as required by the State Board. There were \$150,735 in construction costs for Protection, Health and Safety Bond projects completed this past year. In addition, the District accepted the donation of the West Richland High School which is required to be listed as a locally funded project with no acquisition cost to the District.

The Board accepted IECC's Identity Theft Prevention Program Status Report for 2014.

The Strategic Plan Update was presented and accepted. Over the past three years; the Strategic Planning Committee has been aligning the District's strategic plan with the Higher Learning Commission's five criteria for accreditation. Now IECC's Strategic Plan links the goals, objectives and activities of the Illinois Eastern Community College District 529 directly to the Higher Learning Commission's Criteria for Accreditation.

The Board accepted the Employee Satisfaction Survey Results which showed that employees are satisfied with the operation of the District.

The Board approved a lease agreement between Illinois Eastern and Elevate Energy. Elevate Energy wishes to educate Southern Illinois citizens on the smart grid and the use of smart meters. One full-time

individual will operate out of the West Richland Center under Elevate Energy and an additional full-time person may be employed.

The Board approved a lease agreement between ERCU/21st Century Grant Program and IECC. This grant focuses on after school and summer enrichment programs for children. IECC's West Richland Center (WRC), located in Noble, is partnering with East Richland to provide space for activities for this program.

The Board approved FY2016 tuition rates, to be effective with the Summer 2015 term. These rates represent a \$6 increase to in-district tuition, a \$10 increase to tuition for online students who reside out-of-district or out-of-state, a \$6 increase in the special out-of-district rate, and a \$10 increase to the special out-of-state rate.

The taxing bodies have met and agreed to divide the cost of pursuing a higher appraisal of the Marathon facility. Under the agreement each taxing body will pay their proportionate share of the expenses. Illinois Eastern collects 7.01% of the taxes in Crawford County and IECC's share of the anticipated cost is estimated to be \$10,889.00. The Board accepted the agreement.

The Board approved agreements with SIU-Carbondale to offer a Motorcycle Rider Safety course at FCC, LTC, OCC and WVC.

Affiliation Agreements were approved by the Board for Health Informatics at Frontier Community College with Marion Eye Care, Edwards County Health Department, Office of Dr. Steven Miller and Crossroads Hospital. An agreement was also approved for the Radiography Program at Olney Central College with Sullivan County Community Hospital.

The Board approved the following personnel changes:

Danelle Davis, Office Assistant, LTC, effective February 19, 2015

Jessica Pierson, Office Assistant, WVC, effective March 5, 2015
Erin Volk, Academic Counselor, Student Support Services, LTC
to Career Advisor, LTC.

Kelly Wagner, Administrative Assistant, WVC to Office
Assistant, WVC.

Jessica Pierson, Office Assistant, WVC to Administrative
Assistant WVC.

The Board approved Reemployment of Bargaining Unit Faculty
for 2015-2016 and Reemployment of Non-Bargaining Unit
Faculty for 2015-2016

The Bargaining Unit Faculty Seniority List for 2014/15 and Non-
Bargaining Unit Faculty Seniority List for 2014/15 were
approved.

A special assignment was approved for Megan Scott was
assigned as Women's Assistant Basketball Coach at LTC.

A resignation ratification was approved for Christopher Teague,
Telecom Communications at LTC effective February 20, 2015. A
retirement ratification was approved for Donita Kaare, Director
of the Learning Skills Center at OCC effective July 1, 2015.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at
Frontier Community College, Fairfield, on Tuesday, March 17th, at 7:00
p.m.