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March 17, 2015

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges approved renaming a building located at Frontier Community College currently known as Foundation Hall to Bob Boyles Hall, at the regular meeting Tuesday, March 17, at Frontier Community College, Fairfield. Bob Boyles began working at Frontier in 1981 and worked closely with the Foundation from its inception until his retirement in December 2013. Bob Boyles passed away on March 10, 2014.

During the meeting Richard Mason presented the Board the original college catalog documents for Olney Central College, Lincoln Trail College, Wabash Valley College, and Frontier Community College. Mr. Mason hand drafted the catalogs in the late 1960's. Richard Mason retired in 1996 after 32 years as Frontier's first President and has since actively served on the Frontier Community College Foundation.

Trustees will participate in the Higher Learning Commission visit scheduled for April 20th and 21st. The Higher Learning Commission is Illinois Eastern's accreditation agency.

The trustees and administration gave special recognition to Carrie Stephens, Student Trustee, expressing appreciation for her service on the Board of Trustees during the past 12 months. She is a student at Frontier Community College and her term on the Board ended with the March meeting. She was presented a plaque in recognition of her service to the Board of Trustees and the IECC district.

A fee of \$25 per course was approved for three new automotive service technology courses. The existing automotive service technology courses have a fee associated with taking the course. The Board also approved a change to the Textbook Rental Fees at Frontier Community College. Frontier is the only one of the four colleges that utilizes a textbook rental program.

Changes were approved to the tuition waiver policy. Trustees approved revisions to the policy to lower the tuition cap from the current 19 credit hours to 16 credit hours. Tuition will be waived for any credit hours taken that exceed 16 in a given semester.

The trustees took action to renew a contract extension with the District's software supplier, Ellucian.

An agreement was approved with Crawford Memorial Hospital to provide conditioning and fitness training and to provide athletic support services at Lincoln Trail College during home athletic events.

An affiliation agreement between the District and the City of Olney was approved for the Conceal Carry Course.

Five affiliation agreements were approved with area health care institutions for the Pharmacy Technician Program and the Basic Nurse Assistant Program.

The Board approved a bid committee recommendation to replace ten HVAC units in the District. The lowest bid of \$848,775 was approved to H.C. Sharp Company, located in St. Louis, Missouri.

Two new Deans of Instruction were employed for Lincoln Trail College and Frontier Community College. David Carpenter was employed as Dean of Instruction at Lincoln Trail, effective May 1. Paul Bruinsma was employed as Dean of Instruction at Frontier, effective June 8.

Elizabeth Oliver was employed as Director of the Educational Talent Search/TRiO Program, effective April 1.

Tiffany White was employed as an Academic Counselor for the Student Support Services/TRiO Program located at Lincoln Trail College. Her effective date of employment is June 1.

A resignation ratification was approved for Shannon Sneed as a Workforce Education Program Assistant, effective March 31.

A retirement ratification was approved for Kathy Fehrenbacher as Office Assistant at Olney Central College, effective June 1.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Monday, April 20, at 5:30 p.m. at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel. NOTE: Change of meeting night.