

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

April 24, 2023

Call to Order: Chair Bob Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and the following members answered roll call:

Brian Duncan	Lisa Wiersema
Margaret Tyne	Danelle Burrs
Tom Demmer	Student Trustee, Meg Frank (6:04 p.m.)

SVCC Staff: President, Dr. David M. Hellmich
Vice President of Academics and Student Services, Dr. Jon Mandrell
Vice President of Advancement, Dr. Lori Cortez
Vice President of Business Services, Kent Sorenson
Dean of Information Technology, Kathy Dirks
Director of Facilities, Rich Groleau
Director of Human Resources, Kathryn Snow
Director of Research and Planning, Aaron Roe
Board Assistant, Peggy Eshleman
Dean of General Education and Transfer Programs, Dr. Shelley Barkley
Associate Professor of Rad Tech, Maggie Young
Professor of Rad Tech, Dianna Brevitt
Learning Commons Tutoring Coordinator, Jane Verbout
Impact Program Coordinator, Brittany Devereueawax
Impact Program Coordinator, Ashleigh Sorenson
Advancement Specialist, Alex Romo
Student Recruiting and Dual Credit Coordinator, Sarah Partington
Associate Professor of Electronics/Technology, Steven McPherson
Senior Graphic Designer and Print Shop Supervisor, Jenny Bumba
Videographer, Jim Grot
Adjunct Faculty Nursing, Lois Hinton
Accounts Receivable Specialist, Rhonda Tompkins

Guests: George Howe, WIXN Radio
Kelly Patterson Duncan

Election Certification: Chair Thompson read the election results of the April 4, 2023, consolidated election from the Lee County Clerk and Recorder. Margaret Tyne and Lisa Wiersema were elected to six-year terms; Danelle Burrs was elected to a two-year unexpired term; and Sam Ramirez was elected to a four-year unexpired term.

Election of Officers: Dr. Hellmich announced the floor was open for nominations for Chair of the Sauk Valley Community College Board of Trustees.

Chair: It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Tyne that Robert Thompson be nominated as Chair for the Board of Trustees. There were no other nominations. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Vice Chair: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Burrs that Brian Duncan be nominated as Vice Chair for the Board of Trustees. There were no other nominations. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Secretary: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Demmer that Margaret Tyne be nominated as Secretary for the Board of Trustees. There were no other nominations. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

College Treasurer: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Burrs that Kent Sorenson be appointed to continue in his role as College Treasurer. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Appointment of Legal Counsel: It was moved by Member Burrs and seconded by Member Wiersema that Ward, Murray, Pace and Johnson P.C. continue in the role of legal counsel. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Appointment of Foundation Liaison: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Tyne that Lisa Wiersema be appointed as the Foundation Liaison. There were no other nominations. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Appointment of ICCTA Representative: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Duncan that Robert Thompson be appointed as the ICCTA Representative. There were no other nominations. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Designation of Depositories for Funds: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Demmer that all banks and savings and loans in the district and the Illinois Funds (formerly called the Illinois Public Treasurers Investment Pool) be approved as legal depositories for College funds. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Determination of Meeting Dates and Times: It was moved by Member Burrs and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the meeting dates and times as presented. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Duncan the Board approve the consent agenda. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

President's Report: Dr. Hellmich recognized the 2023 faculty and staff of the year recipients: Associate Professor of Radiologic Technology, Maggie Young; Learning Commons Tutoring Coordinator, Jane Verbout; Criminal Justice and Police Academy Instructor, Darin DeHaan; and Adult Education Administrative Assistant, Lyndsey Kelly. Dr. Hellmich recognized the Impact Program team of Ashleigh Sorenson, Brittany Devereueawax, Alex Romo, and Sarah Partington for being selected for the Shared Team Achievement Award.

Dr. Hellmich asked each Cabinet member to recognize and introduce their spring retirees. Dr. Mandrell introduced and thanked Associate Professor of Electronics/Technology, Steven McPherson who single-handedly created the MultiCraft Program. Kent Sorenson introduced and thanked Rhonda Tompkins who provided over three decades of service to the College.

Dr. Hellmich asked Dr. Cortez to recognize Jim Grot and Jenny Bumba for their recent accomplishments. Jenny has been recognized as the winner of a logo design contest for the Whiteside County Soil and Water Conservation Board from over one-hundred nationwide entries. Jim's photography work has been featured in *Richard Hunt: Monumental*, a work made up of Mr. Hunt's latest and possibly last art exhibition at the Kaneko Art Museum in Omaha, Nebraska.

Dr. Hellmich recognized SVCC trustees, staff, and students who received recognition at the recent YWCA Women of Achievement event: Lexie Perry, Spirit of Achievement Award; Margaret Tyne, Crete Dillon Bowman Award for Community Leadership; Nicole Schafer, Jane Reid Keefer Award for Professions and Education; Marcella Wells, L. L. Ely Award for Clerical Excellence; Lisa Wiersema, Pearl Woods Award for Business and Industry; Jennifer Schultz, Louise Bittorf Sullivan Award for Inspirational Women; and Blerini Mimini, Young Woman of Tomorrow Award.

Reports/Comments from Board Members:

Student Trustee Report: Meg Frank presented highlights of April events: diversity speaker, Chris Singleton; Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce Director, Kris Noble, who held a focus group on campus to gather young adults' points of view on various topics; the well-attended job fair on April 12; and a business panel with Sauk Valley Bank representatives.

Foundation Report: Dr. Cortez reported the most recent Points of Pride: the Police Academy at Sauk Valley Community College graduated twenty-one students at its first graduation on April 14; the Impact Program's connection with the citizens of Polo for the Marcos Endowment Challenge; and the outstanding faculty and staff of the year from Sauk's employees.

ICCTA Report: Chair Thompson reported he will be at an ICCTA meeting next week. He thanked his fellow trustees for showing confidence in him while serving as board chair while encouraging other trustees to be involved in board leadership, with ICCTA, and to join him at the ICCTA events. Chair Thompson mentioned the opportunity for trustees to obtain their required professional training on June 2 in Bloomington.

Faculty Appointment – Nursing:

It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the appointment of Lois Hinton as an Instructor II of Nursing beginning August 11, 2023, at an annual base salary of \$59,057.62. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Faculty Appointment – Electrical and Industrial Technology:

It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve the appointment of Kurt Stuart as an Associate Professor II beginning August 11, 2023, at an annual base salary of \$62,642.91. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

FY 2024 Staff Salary Increases:

It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Demmer the Board approve, effective June 26, 2023, step increases for eligible staff and a 1.5% cost-of-living adjustment to the FY 2024 salary schedule and a 6% increase for employees who currently earn less than \$16.00 per hour. Kent Sorenson gave a brief compensation analysis. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank vote aye. Motion carried.

FY 2024 Treasurer's Bond: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Demmer the Board approve the attached Public Official Bond issued by The Hartford with a penalty of \$6,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2024. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Addition / Deletion of Programs: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the additions and deletions of certificates and degrees as presented. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Disposal of Obsolete Equipment: It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve the replaced hospital beds as obsolete to be disposed of in a manner appropriate to the condition of the equipment. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes: It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve the closed session minutes for February 27, 2023. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Since the scheduled business was completed, it was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Chair Thompson that the Board adjourn. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Frank vote aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next meeting: The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, May 22, 2023, in the Riverview Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Tyne, Secretary