

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
February 26, 2024

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	Margaret Tyne
Danelle Burrs	Lisa Wiersema
Student Trustee, Chloe Coil	Tom Demmer

Excused: Sam Ramirez

SVCC Staff: President, Dr. David 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 Research and Planning, Aaron Roe
Board Assistant, Angela Delhotal
Director of Athletics, Michael Stevenson
Dean of Transfer Programs and Academic Support Services, Dr. Patrice Hess
Assistant Professor I of Biology, Therese Wood
Professor of Criminal Justice, Dr. Stephen Miko

Guests: George Howe, WIXN

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

President's Report: Dr. David Hellmich asked Dr. Jon Mandrell to introduce Mike Stevenson who recognized the student athletes who have or will compete in nationals and those who were on the President's or Dean's List. Mike noted the cross-country team placed second in regionals; the tennis team is going to nationals for the sixth time; and volleyball won its regional and will be going to nationals for the seventh time in ten years. Mike praised all the athletes for their academic and athletic distinctions.

Reports/Comments from Board Members and the SVC Foundation: Student Trustee Chloe Coil reported on recent SGA events including Sauk Fest, entertainer EEMA, a Town Hall hosted by Joe Strabala-Bright, and the "Vice" Cream Social with Dr. Mandrell. She reported on upcoming events including *Racial Justice with the YWCA*; *The Impact of Student Involvement on Success*; and *Ultimate Laser Tag*. Chloe is hosting all SAC members on March 26.

Foundation Report: Dr. Lori Cortez thanked everyone for their help with the *Chocolate Rendezvous* and received feedback, which included people liking the easy access to the VIP area and people suggesting the bourbon area being moved to the Riverview Room. She noted the most recent Points of Pride – the *Chocolate Rendezvous* raised \$51,000 in support of the Impact Program; SVCC is now designated as military friendly for 2024-2025; two of the online learning providers used in Business and Community Education are in Newsweek’s top rankings; and the substantial three-year bathroom project is operational. Lori also noted that Bill Wescott was awarded the meritorious service award at the Rock Falls Chamber Dinner last week.

ICCTA Report: Chair Bob Thompson reported both he and Trustee Margaret Tyne attended the ACCT Legislative Summit in Washington D.C. from February 4 to 7. He noted that both Illinois Senators met with them. Margaret thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend the D.C. conference.

Bob will attend the next ICCTA meeting in early March in Kankakee, IL.

Tuition and Fee
Adjustments for 2024-
2025 Academic Year:

It was moved by Member Burrs and seconded by Member Duncan the Board approve the tuition and fees for academic terms beginning after July 1, 2024, as presented with an amendment of an increase of \$18 for a total of \$279.00 per credit hour rather than \$261.00 for the CDL course fee. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Coil voted aye. Motion carried.

Full-Time Faculty
Appointments 2024-2025:

It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Student Trustee Coil the Board approve the full-time faculty appointments for 2024-2025 as provided. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Coil voted aye. Motion carried.

Faculty Sabbatical
Request:

It was moved by Student Trustee Coil and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the sabbatical request for Professor Ruth Montino for the Fall 2024 semester. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Coil voted aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session:

It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Tyne the Board move into closed session at 6:57 pm.

Closed session concluded at 7:18 pm.

Adjournment:

Since the scheduled business was completed, it was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board adjourn. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Next meeting:

The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, March 18, 2024, in the Riverview Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Tyne, Secretary