The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Iowa Community College District (Merged Area IX) met in Regular Session on February 18, 2008, in the Ellis Vetter Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa. President Robert Gallagher called the meeting to order with the following directors present: Kendra Beck, Mary Lou Engler, Bill Phelan, Milton Shaw, Shirley Stewart, Bill Vetter*. Absent: Dr. Joseph D’Souza, John Frampton.

The Board conducted a public hearing on Kahl Educational Center Bookstore Furnishings Renovation project. No one appeared to speak for or against the project, and President Gallagher closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes from the January 28, Regular Board meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting had been mailed to the Board members for their review.

Director Stewart moved, seconded by Director Beck, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Director Shaw moved, seconded by Director Phelan, to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

In Director Frampton’s absence, Chancellor Pat Keir presented an IACCT update. She informed the Board of the progress on the IACCT building in Des Moines and the additional anticipated expenses. President Gallagher asked who will own the building; Chancellor Keir responded that the IACCT corporation will, which is funded by dues from the 15 community colleges in Iowa.

*Director Vetter arrived at 7:04 p.m.

Two staff reports were presented. Chancellor Keir presented a PowerPoint presentation about the challenges facing Iowa’s workforce. Carol Hall, the district’s chief information officer, gave the Board a brief overview of the state of technology in higher education, reviewed the district’s new technology master plan and talked about the future of IT at EICCD. Jim Gekas, assistant director for web services, gave the Board a demonstration of the new Campus Cruiser web portal program that will facilitate better communication for students, faculty and staff.

A list of personnel items was presented for Board approval. Secretary Bedell noted that the list sent in the Board packets had been replaced by an updated list at the Board members places. Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to approve the personnel list as amended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mark Kapfer, executive director of economic development, presented two Chapter 260E preliminary agreements with Curry’s Transportation Service, Inc. in the amount of $330,000; and The Horizon Group, Inc. in the amount of $50,000; and one Chapter 260F/GIVF retraining agreement with Jackson County Consortium in the amount of $50,000.

Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director Beck, to approve the Chapter 260E and Chapter 260F/GIVF agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to approve two contractual agreements: a consent to assumption and assignment of lease for the Capitol Theatre; and renewal of the community radio antenna agreement with River City Communications.

Director Stewart moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to approve the contractual agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kirk Barkdoll, director of district facilities, reported that two bids were received for the Kahl Educational Center Bookstore Furnishings Renovation project. It was recommended that the Board award the contract to College Store Design, which had the low bid of $59,670.67.

Director Engler moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to award the contract to College Store Design. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkdoll presented a professional services Request for Proposals for the SCC Applied Technology Building Addition and Renovation project. The Board was asked to authorize publishing notice for the RFP.

Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Beck, to approve advertising the professional services project. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The preliminary budget estimate for FY 2008-2009 was presented to the Board. Board members were asked to authorize publication of the budget estimate and to schedule a public hearing on the budget for 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 2008, at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.

Director Engler moved, seconded by Director Phelan, to authorize publication of the budget estimate and to schedule the public hearing as requested. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.
The Board was asked to approve the following resolutions related to the transfer of real estate along I-80 in north Davenport (formerly known as Wacky Waters) from the Eastern Iowa Community College District Foundation to EICCD:

RESOLVED, that Eastern Iowa Community College District shall acquire the interest of Eastern Iowa Community College District Foundation in real estate located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 79 North, Range 3 East of the 5th P.M., Scott County, Iowa, and all right, title and interest, as buyer, in the real estate contract between Union Building Company, as Buyer, and Water Park Entertainment, Ltd. as Seller, recorded as Instrument 2007-3518, and assigned by Union Building Company to Eastern Iowa Community College District Foundation by Quit Claim Deed and Assignment and Assumption of Contract, recorded as Instrument 2008-2469 in the Office of the Scott County Recorder, for consideration of Two Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Twenty Dollars ($276,620.00) (plus accrued interest from January 30, 2008) and assumption of all obligations of Union Building Company thereunder, including the Contract balance of One Million Eighty Thousand Dollars ($1,080,000.00); and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Robert H. Gallagher, Board Chairman, and Patricia Keir, Chancellor, or either of them are further authorized and directed to execute a Quit Claim Deed and Assignment and Assumption of Contract on behalf of Eastern Iowa Community College District, and to take such further actions which are necessary or desirable, including the execution of all such instruments and documents in the name of or on behalf of Eastern Iowa Community College District to complete the above-described acquisition of such property and contract interest.

Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Phelan, to approve said resolutions. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial reports for the month ending January 31, 2008, were presented. It was recommended that receipt of the reports be acknowledged and the reports placed on file.

Director Shaw, moved, seconded by Director Stewart, to acknowledge receipt of the reports and to place them on file. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Copies of the bills had been mailed to the Board members for their review. Board members were asked to approve payment of the bills as submitted.

Director Stewart moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

During Trustee Comments, President Gallagher thanked those Board members who attended the ACCT National Legislative Summit in Washington, DC. Board members thanked President Gallagher for representing them at the news conference announcing ALCOA Foundation’s gift of $150,000 to EICCD.

During Chancellor’s Comments, Chancellor Keir thanked Carol Hall and her staff for an excellent report. She noted that the next step is to determine the resources needed for long-term updating and maintenance of the District’s technology needs. She also thanked Gary Mohr and Honey Bedell for their efforts in organizing the Board’s attendance at the ACCT event in Washington, DC.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 2008, in the Ellis Vetter Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.

President Gallagher declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Honey H. Bedell, Board Secretary

Approved:

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Board President