

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EASTERN IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
February 15, 2010**

The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Iowa Community College District (Merged Area IX) met in Regular Session on February 15, 2010, in the Ellis Vetter Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa. President Robert Gallagher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following directors present: Mary Lou Engler, John Frampton, Bill Phelan, Shirley Stewart, Bill Vetter. Absent: Kendra Beck, Dr. Joseph D'Souza, Milton Shaw.

Minutes from the January 25, 2010, Regular Board meeting had been mailed to the Board members for their review. Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director Frampton, to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Director Phelan presented an IACCT update. He attended the IACCT board meeting on February 3, followed by an open house at the IACCT offices for state legislators, which was well attended. He thanked Board members for their responses to his request for information for the Joint Legislative Committee. IACCT continues to request that trustees communicate with legislators on two main points: support for state general aid and for the Chapter 260E program. He noted that the annual Condition of Iowa Community Colleges report is now available on the Iowa Department of Education website, and that the annual IACCT summer conference is scheduled for July in Marshalltown.

Staff reports were presented. Brian Ritter, manager of the education programs at Nahant Marsh, talked about the revived conservation technology program and the new articulation with Western Illinois University's natural resources management program. Jointly enrolled students will be able to finish a B.S. degree in three years.

Due to technical difficulties, the remaining staff reports were delayed until later in the meeting.

A list of personnel items was presented for Board approval. Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Stewart, to approve the personnel list as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A list of performance adjustments for administrative and professional staff was presented.

Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Vetter, to approve the performance adjustments. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark Kapfer, executive director of economic development, presented one Chapter 260E preliminary agreement: Claussen Supply Co. in the amount of \$40,000.

Director Engler moved, seconded by Director Phelan, to approve the Chapter 260E preliminary agreement. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to approve two contractual agreements: a clinical affiliation agreement with University of Iowa for nursing students; and an amendment to the articulation agreement with Ashford University.

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

Staff reports resumed. Chancellor Pat Keir introduced the second report on student success. Laurie Hanson, director of institutional effectiveness, shared comparisons of EICCD student performance on various benchmarks, including reading scores, CAAP assessments, retention/persistence, and graduation rates. All indicators fall below the national average and have room for improvement. Dr. Tom Coley, president of Scott Community College and vice chancellor for instruction, gave an update on the District's education plan and its next steps. Jeff Halterman, director of the TRIO programs at SCC and co-chair of the Reach to Achieve Chancellor's Initiative, gave an overview of that initiative's initial activities and process, including strategies to increase retention and student success. Chancellor Keir noted that the initiative began with the intention of helping minority and low income students, but as the group discussed issues, it was determined that these types of strategies are essential to the success of all students. The Board thanked the presenters and expressed interest in hearing updates as work progresses.

Kirk Barkdoll, director of district facilities, presented several change orders on current projects.

The Board was asked to approve four change orders from Hawkeye Paving Corporation on the SCC Phase I Roadway project: #11 in the amount of \$600; #12 in the amount of \$262.67; #13 in the amount of \$2,137.93; and #14 in the amount of \$2,416.84.

Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director Frampton, to approve the four change orders. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkdoll presented two change orders from Swanson Construction on the SCC Culinary Arts/Hospitality Management Building: #1, a deduct in the amount of - \$18,701.88; and #2, a deduct in the amount of -\$1,411.

Director Stewart moved, seconded by Director Engler, to approve the two change orders. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkdoll presented Change Order #4 from Todd Hackett Construction on the SCC Applied Technologies Building Addition and Renovation, in the amount of \$25,080.86.

Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director Vetter, to approve the change order. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkdoll presented Change Order #6 from Frye Builders on the MCC Science Addition project, in the amount of \$345.

Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Engler, to approve the change order. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkdoll then reviewed the proposals received for engineering services for the CCC Science Lab, General Classroom and General Facility Renovation project, and recommended that the Board award the engineering services contract to SGM Architects.

Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Engler, to award the contract to SGM Architects. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Lana Dettbarn, executive director for administrative services, reviewed the FY 2010-2011 budget estimate. The Board was asked to authorize publication of the budget estimate and to schedule a public hearing for 7:00 p.m. on March 8, 2010, in the Board Room.

Director Engler moved, seconded by Director Frampton, to authorize publication of the budget estimate and to schedule the public hearing as recommended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial reports for the month ending January 31, 2010, were presented. It was recommended that receipt of the reports be acknowledged and the reports placed on file.

Director Engler moved, seconded by Director Phelan, 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 Frampton moved, seconded by Director Vetter, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

During Trustee Comments, Director Engler thanked the staff for their reports and their efforts on the Reach to Achieve initiative.

During Chancellor’s Comments, Chancellor Keir thanked those who attended the Department of Education visit earlier in the day and noted it was a very positive meeting. She presented each Board member with a small gift representative of her new “Going the Extra Mile” recognition program for employees.

During Unscheduled Business, Secretary Bedell invited the Board members to attend the EICCD Foundation’s first Terry Lunardi Memorial “Play HEARTS for Hearts” Tournament on February 20 to raise money for the District’s CPR programs. She also asked that anyone interested in attending the rescheduled ACCT National Legislative Summit March 10-12 let her know as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on March 8, 2010, in the Ellis Vetter Board Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.

President Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Honey H. Bedell, Board Secretary

Approved:

Board President