The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Iowa Community College District (Merged Area IX) met in Regular Session on February 15, 2016, 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: Kendra Beck, Kim Clausen, Dr. Joseph D’Souza, Michelle Garvin*, Denise Hollonbeck, Milton Shaw, Bill Vetter. Absent: Bill Phelan. *Director Garvin attended via teleconference.

The Board conducted a public hearing on two public improvement projects: SCC 1100/2100 Wing HVAC Project; and CCC 1965/1974 Addition Restroom Renovations. No one appeared to speak for or against the projects, and President Gallagher closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes from the January 25, 2016, Regular Board meeting had been mailed to the Board members for their review. Director Hollonbeck moved, seconded by Director Clausen, to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Directors Hollonbeck and Shaw reported on their attendance at the ACCT National Legislative Summit in Washington, DC, last week. They talked about the keynote speakers, concurrent sessions, and meetings with the Iowa Congressional delegation. Director Hollonbeck reminded all that the IACCT Annual Conference is next week in Des Moines, and that IACCT has scheduled EICC to be at the Capitol during the week of March 7.

Chancellor Don Doucette and Eastern Iowa Higher Education Association President Christopher Legel gave the Board an overview of the new interest-based bargaining process. They described how it worked and explained why both parties decided to move toward this type of negotiation. Goals are to foster mutual trust, build stronger relationships and achieve common interests.

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

Dr. Ellen Kabat Lensch, vice chancellor for economic and workforce development, presented three Chapter 260F/WTED retraining agreements: Brandenburg Drainage, Inc. in the amount of $8,188; Hansaloy Corporation in the amount of $4,999; and TanTara Transportation Corp. in the amount of $4,999.

Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Clausen, to approve the three Chapter 260F/WTED retraining agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.
The Board was asked to approve renewal of a memorandum of agreement with Mississippi Bend AEA for the ACCESS program.

Director Beck moved, seconded by Director Hollonbeck, to approve the MOA. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was also asked to formally approve contracts they had authorized Chancellor Doucette to sign by resolution in January related to due diligence on the SCC Urban Campus project: Thalden Emery Architects (2); Sam Estep; Marsh & Company, PA; Preservation Research Office (2); and Environmental Operations, Inc. (3).

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

Suteesh Tandon, chief financial officer, presented the bid recommendation for the MCC Larson and Musser Halls HVAC project. It was recommended that Climate Engineers be award the contract. He also presented Change Order #1 from Johnson Controls in the amount of $11,967.20 for the SCC HVAC Restoration project.

Director Clausen moved, seconded by Director D'Souza, to award the MCC project to Climate Engineers and to approve Johnson Controls Change Order #1. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mr. Tandon gave a report detailing financial trends for EICC and for Iowa community colleges. He then described the FY2016-2017 budget estimate, as well as the need to amend the FY 2015-2016 budget in order to facilitate the purchase of the First Midwest Bank and First Federal Bank buildings, should the board proceed with that purchase.

The Board was asked to authorize publication of the FY2015-2016 budget amendment and to schedule a public hearing on that amendment for 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2016, at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.

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

The Board was then asked to authorize publication of the FY2016-2017 Budget estimate and to schedule a public hearing on that amendment for 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2016, at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.
Director Beck moved, seconded by Director Vetter, to authorize publication of the budget estimate and to schedule the public hearing as recommended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Chancellor Doucette presented two Letters of Intent related to the SCC Urban Campus project. The first is a letter from the Board of Trustees to the EICCD Downtown Campus Foundation expressing intent to transfer property to that entity for $1.00 for the purpose of creating a downtown campus. The second letter is from the Board of Trustees to New College, LLC, the entity that will construct the campus, expressing intent to lease the campus for a period of 20 years.

Director Hollonbeck moved, seconded by Director D’Souza, to approve the letter of intent from EICCD to EICCD Downtown Campus Foundation. Aye: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Director Clausen moved, seconded by Director Vetter, to approve the letter of intent from EICCD to New College, LLC. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial reports for the month ending January 31, 2016, were presented. It was recommended that receipt of the reports be acknowledged and the reports placed on file.

Director D’Souza moved, seconded by Director Shaw, 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 Vetter moved, seconded by Director Beck, to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2016, in the Ellis Vetter Board Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa.

President Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Approved: ________________________________

Honey H. Bedell, Board Secretary

Board President