

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EASTERN IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
April 18, 2022**

The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Iowa Community College District (Merged Area IX) met in Regular Session on April 18, 2022, at the Culinary Arts Building at Scott Community College, 500 Belmont Road, Bettendorf, Iowa. President Robert Gallagher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following directors present: Jenny Boysen*, Dr. Joseph D'Souza, Michelle Garvin, Tyla Sherwin-Cole, Debbie Tappendorf, Bill Vetter. Absent: Kendra Beck. *Attended via Zoom.

The Board conducted a public hearing on the DeWitt CTE Building Bid Package #2. 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 March 7 Regular Board meeting, and March 11, March 21 and April 2 Special Board meetings had been provided to the Board members for their review. Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director D'Souza to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board had accepted the resignation of Mike Gauss, serving in Director District 8, at the March 7 Board meeting. President Gallagher recommended that the Board appoint Yuliana Diaz to fill the seat. He introduced Ms. Diaz and noted that she was highly recommended by community leadership as an excellent representative of the community who would be an asset to the college and the Board.

Director Garvin moved, seconded by Director Sherwin-Cole, to appoint Ms. Diaz to the vacancy in Director District 8. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ms. Diaz took the oath of office and then joined the Board at the table. She expressed her appreciation to the Board for the opportunity and said she is excited to serve.

The Board was asked to adopt a resolution awarding Emeritus Status to five faculty and staff who are retiring this year:

Resolution Awarding Emeritus Status

WHEREAS Eastern Iowa Community Colleges is privileged to employ some of the finest professionals in higher education; and

WHEREAS Eastern Iowa Community Colleges understand the importance of recognizing upon retirement the contributions of exemplary long-time faculty and staff who have given of themselves professionally and personally to create EICC's strong culture of high aspirations and high expectations and have made significant contributions to achieving the colleges' mission; and

WHEREAS EICC has established Emeritus Status as a way to honor these individuals;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendations of the Emeritus Status Review Committee and the Chancellor, the Eastern Iowa Community Colleges Board of Trustees is pleased to recognize the following individuals with Emeritus Status:

- *Jill Brodersen, Scott Community College – Faculty Emeritus*
- *Tim Cottle, Continuing Education – Staff Emeritus*
- *Ruth Ann Gallagher, Scott Community College – Faculty Emeritus*
- *Susan Hess, Scott Community College – Staff Emeritus*
- *Jan Weis, Scott Community College – Faculty Emeritus*

Director D’Souza moved, seconded by Director Tappendorf, to adopt the resolution awarding Emeritus Status. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The awardees will be recognized at a reception preceding the June 13, 2022, Regular Board meeting.

Director Tappendorf presented the IACCT report, noting that many activities and social media posts have promoted April as Community College Month. She announced that the Iowa Association of Community College Trustees has adopted a new name and brand: Community College for Iowa. She then introduced Roy Salcedo, IACCT’s director for equity and inclusion. Mr. Salcedo thanked the Board for the opportunity to visit EICC for the day and to join the Board meeting. He talked about the statewide Alliance for Equity and Inclusion that has begun its work to address equity issues at community colleges throughout Iowa and described some of the directions that work may take.

Dr. Matt Schmit, SCC dean of applied programs and distant campuses, introduced two faculty members to present the staff report. Brad McConnell talked about the changes to the mechanical design program, now called digital modeling and additive manufacturing, which have made the program more relevant to the needs of today’s manufacturers and provided students with more credential options. Diane Roebuck spoke about the American Sign Language-English Interpretation program, which started at SCC in 1995 and is now the only program of its kind in the state. A change in modality – from strictly face-to-face to asynchronous online with on-campus sessions twice each semester – has allowed the program to reach more students across the state and region.

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

Dr. Ellen Bluth, vice chancellor for economic and workforce development, presented one Chapter 260E preliminary agreement, with Parker Hannifin-Davenport HPD in the amount of \$210,000. She presented three Chapter 260F retraining agreements, with Allied Valve, Inc. in the amount of \$21,667, LMT Defense in the amount of \$32,500, and SMS Group, Inc. in the amount of \$19,500; and two WTED retraining agreements, with IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union in the amount of \$3,150, and North Region Consortium in the amount of \$28,750.

Director D’Souza moved, seconded by Director Garvin, to approve the Chapter 260E preliminary, Chapter 260F retraining and WTED retraining agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to approve contractual agreements: a contract with Vander Vending for food service at SCC Belmont; renewal of the Barnes & Noble Bookstores contract; memoranda of understanding for college and career ready counselors with Calamus Wheatland and Central DeWitt Schools, Camanche and Northeast Schools, Columbus and Louisa-Muscatine Schools, Muscatine Schools, and West Liberty and Wilton Schools; for a work-based learning coordinator with Columbus, Durant, Louisa-Muscatine and West Liberty Schools; and for a building trades instructor with Clinton Schools and a welding instructor with Maquoketa Schools.

Director D’Souza moved, seconded by Director Diaz, to approve the contractual agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to award contracts for the DeWitt CTE Building Bid Package #2 as recommended: 2A to Needham Excavating for \$234,190; 2B to Rittmer, Inc. for \$202,099; 2C to Manatt’s inc. for \$1,295,000; 2D to Estes Construction for \$1,832,000; 2E to Blackhawk Automatic Sprinklers for \$1,013,130; 2G to Ragan Mechanical for \$423,800; 2G to Air Control, Inc. for \$869,000; and 2H to Crawford Company for \$1,356,976.

Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director D’Souza, to award the contracts as recommended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to approve plans and specifications, authorize publication of notice to bidders, and schedule a public hearing for 7:00 p.m. on May 16, 2022, at the SCC Urban Campus for four public improvement projects: CCC Parking Lot Improvement; SCC Student Commons; MCC CTE Building Fiber Connection to Existing Building; and CCC CTE Building Fiber Connection to Existing Building.

Director D'Souza moved, seconded by Director Tappendorf, to approve the plans and specifications for the four projects, authorize publication of notice to bidders, and schedule the public hearing as recommended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was presented with three change orders for the MCC CTE building and 8 change orders for the CCC CTE building: Estes Construction #1 (MCC) in the amount of \$7,263; Bi-State Contracting #2 (MCC) deduct in the amount of \$3,744; Rock River Electric #1 (MCC) deduct in the amount of \$14,648; Needham Excavating #2 (CCC) deduct in the amount of \$13,164; Estes Construction #1 (CCC) in the amount of \$4,812; Portzen Construction #1 (CCC) deduct in the amount of \$14,778; Portzen Construction #2 (CCC) at no cost; Portzen Construction #3 (CCC) in the amount of \$1,331; Crawford Company #1 (CCC) in the amount of \$54,615; Precision Builders #1 (CCC) deduct in the amount of \$15,696; and Ragan Mechanical #1 (CCC) in the amount of \$7,470.

Director D'Souza moved, seconded by Director Sherwin-Cole, to approve the 11 change orders. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A proposed Academic Calendar for 2023-2024 was presented for Board approval.

Director D'Souza moved, seconded by Director Garvin, to adopt the proposed 2023-2024 Academic Calendar. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A revised Quality Faculty Plan for 2022-2023 was presented for adoption.

Director D'Souza moved, seconded by Director Garvin, to adopt the Quality Faculty Plan. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial reports for the month ending March 31, 2022, were presented. It was recommended that receipt of the reports be acknowledged and the reports placed on file.

Director Tappendorf moved, seconded by Director Sherwin-Cole, to acknowledge receipt of the reports and to place them on file. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Copies of the bills had been provided to the Board members for their review. Board members were asked to approve payment of the bills as submitted.

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

During Trustee Comments, President Gallagher thanked SCC for the hospitality and excellent dinner. Director D’Souza praised the student chefs for the lovely presentation.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on May 16, 2022, at the SCC Urban Campus, 101 West Third Street, Davenport, Iowa.

The Board was asked to enter into Executive Session to receive the Chancellor’s recommendation for contract termination. Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Garvin, to enter into Executive Session for the stated purpose. On roll call vote: Ayes: Boysen, Diaz, D’Souza, Gallagher, Garvin, Sherwin-Cole, Tappendorf, Vetter. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. and returned to Regular Session at 8:40 p.m.

President Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Honey H. Bedell, Board Secretary

Approved:

Board President