

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2020**

The Board of Trustees of Community College District 509, Counties of Kane, Cook, DuPage, McHenry and DeKalb, State of Illinois, held a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Monday, January 27, 2020, in Building E, Room 100.01, located at Spartan Drive Campus, Elgin Community College, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin, Illinois.

1. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

Chair Redmer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and asked Ms. Kerruish to call roll.

Trustees present: Mr. Duffy, Dr. McCreary, Mr. Meyer Mr. Nowak, Ms. Rakow, Dr. Redmer and Student Trustee Swick
Dr. Ollayos arrived at 3:09 p.m.

Trustees absent: None

ECC Staff and others present: Dr. Sam, President; Dr. Heinrich, VP Teaching, Learning and Student Development, Dr. Wagner, Interim VP Business and Finance;
Dr. Garber, VP Planning, Institutional Effectiveness and Technology;
ECC staff members and visitors

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Sam. Introductions followed.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Committee of the Whole, December 9, 2019

Chair Redmer requested approval of the minutes of December 9, 2019.

Motion: Trustee Duffy moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Second: Trustee Nowak seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Aye, 6; Duffy, McCreary, Nowak, Ollayos, Rakow, Redmer; nay, 0; abstain, 1; Meyer; Student Trustee, aye; motion carried.

4. Presentations

A. Sustainability, Business and Career Technologies

An update on the Sustainability, Business and Career Technologies area was provided by Cathy Taylor, Dean, and Associate Deans Rebecca Walker and Yolanda Barnes. Topics included the following: Associate Dean breakdown of program of study; curriculum development progress; collaboration between departments; organization and optimization of space; in-kind gifts; achievements; and future expansions.

B. Sabbatical Report

Professor Lori Clark highlighted her recent sabbatical. Her report, entitled *We are not Listening*, researched the area of support for trans and gender non-conforming students.

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5. Review Board Actions on the January 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Agenda

A. Purchases

- 1. Architectural and Engineering Consulting Services (Board Action No. 135-B-20)**
- 2. Furniture for the Arts Center Renovation (Board Action No. 136-X-20)**
- 3. Skid Steer Purchase (Board Action No. 137-B-20)**

Dr. Sam noted this bid was awarded to a company in South Elgin (in-district).

There were no additional questions regarding purchases.

B. Other Agenda Items

- 1. St. Charles Township Intergovernmental Agreement (Board Action No. 134-A-20)**

Trustee Meyer expressed his concerns regarding the College's potential obligation. Ms. Scholl stated that the proposed agreement is the same as the previous agreement, with no issues encountered. Dr. Sam indicated any appeals received would be brought to the Board for approval.

There were no additional questions regarding agenda items.

6. Audience Wishing to Address the Board

There were no audience members wishing to address the board.

The board recessed at 4:07 p.m. and reconvened at 4:18 p.m.

7. Old Business

Trustee Meyer mentioned the sabbatical report presented at the November, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting, and the information which was subsequently shared by the faculty member who presented the report. Following additional feedback from the Board, Dr. Sam stated he will invite the faculty member back in six months to provide an update on the status of the dissertation.

8. New Business

A. Items of Professional Growth

- 1. ACCT National Legislative Summit**

Trustees Rakow and Redmer met with Drs. Blacksmith, Heinrich and Wagner to review topics for the upcoming Legislative Summit, and a final draft will be provided at the January 28 regular meeting. Talking points will include PELL Grants and the Higher Education Bill, as well as a potential regional manufacturing training center.

- 2. ICCTA Meeting March 13 and 14, 2020**

Trustees were asked to let the president's office know as soon as possible whether or not they are planning to attend the ICCTA meetings in March.

- 3. Annual Retreat Dates**

June 23 and 24 were confirmed as the 2020 Board retreat dates. Details regarding the retreat will be discussed at the March Committee of the Whole meeting.

- 4. Upcoming Community Engagement Events**

Ms. Franck reviewed upcoming events.

B. President's Remarks

- › Dr. Sam announced that enrollment is up 1.2%, which is very good comparatively, as most colleges' enrollment numbers are down this semester.
- › Dr. Sam noted he will be out of the country from March 13 through March 31, 2020.

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- › Dr. Sam indicated several items will be discussed at the January 28 closed session meeting.
- C. *Chair's Remarks***
 - › Chair Redmer compiled a summary of acronyms, which will be distributed at the January 28 regular meeting.
- D. *Announcements***

Trustee Ollayos mentioned Lasting Impact Award submissions, and it was noted that suggestions may be provided to Dr. Sam for consideration.
- E. *Issues for Next Month's Agenda***

There were no issues brought forward for next month's agenda.

Adjournment

Chair Redmer adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m. with all trustees present in agreement.



Jeffrey Meyer, JD, Board Secretary



Diane Kerruish, Board Recorder