

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
APRIL 11, 2022**

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, April 11, 2022, in Building E, Room E100.01/Virtual.

1. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

Chair Rakow called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m., indicated that a quorum was present, and asked the recorder to call roll.

Trustees present: Ms. Rakow, Dr. Redmer, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Nowak, Mr. Rodriguez
Trustees participated in-person.

Trustees absent: Dr. Ollayos arrived at 3:07 p.m.; Mr. Allen arrived at 3:08 p.m.;
Trustee McCreary arrived at 3:23 p.m.

ECC Staff present: Dr. Sam, President; Dr. Heinrich, VP Teaching, Learning and Student Development; Dr. Wagner, VP Business & Finance; Dr. Garber, VP Planning, Institutional Effectiveness and Technology, Mr. Vazquez, General Counsel; Ms. Kerruish, Recorder; ECC staff members and visitors.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Duffy.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Committee of the Whole, March 7, 2022

Chair Rakow requested approval of the minutes of March 7, 2022.

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

Second: Trustee Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Roll-Call: Aye, 5; Rakow, Redmer, Duffy, Nowak, Rodriguez; nay, 0; motion carried.

4. Presentations

A. Developmental Education Reforms – Dr. Heinrich

An overview of the Developmental Education Reform Act and ICCB expectations was provided. Rick Mao, Kristina Garcia, Ryan Kerr and Chalyce Deterding reviewed the progress made to date and the forthcoming changes. Developmental English Strategies have resulted in shorter sequences and clearer progression for students. Data for past and present English development coursework was outlined. Developmental Math Strategies had three focuses; improve course selection; reduce length of coursework and add supports in the classroom. The reforms are directed toward student success and accelerating pathway systems between pre-credit and credit bearing classes.

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B. Higher Learning Commission / Achieving the Dream Coaches Visit – Dr. Garber and Dr. Wagner

Dr. Wagner provided a review of the four-year HLC academy that ECC staff recently completed. Overall, ECC has been ahead of the curve. The process began with a data inventory; defining what we do well and what needs more work. One idea that was developed and implemented at ECC was the “Red Tape Committee” / Process Improvement Plan. If something has value to the College, it should be measured and funded. The Achieving the Dream Coaches visit was held virtually last week. The reports can be viewed on the website. The review highlights best and high impact practices.

C. Payroll Tax Corrections – Mr. Ray

No presentation was made as this was removed from the agenda.

D. 3D Printing Certificate/Program – Dr. Heinrich

Trustee Nowak requested information on the possibility of a 3D printing certificate or program offering. Dean Taylor provided an overview of current programming and indicated that a sizeable amount of equipment would be required to implement a comprehensive 3D program. CAD programs are evolving and there is the ability for 3D printing in the Arts area on a limited basis. It is an emerging technology that needs to be reviewed and data collected before offering a program or certificate, as well as provide funding to purchase the required equipment.

5. Construction Update

Dr. Wagner provided an update on the construction projects currently underway at the College. Projects are on schedule. The demolition of the building on McLean should begin within days. She also reviewed approximate costs associated with the other construction projects on campus.

6. Review Board Actions on the April 12, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Agenda

A. Purchases

**1. Air Filter Purchase for Welding Lab Exhaust System
(Board Action No. 196-B-22)**

There were no comments or questions on this item.

2. Annual Trane Centrifugal Chiller Maintenance (Board Action No. 197-B-22)

There were no comments or questions on this item.

3. Computer Purchase (Board Action No. 198-S-22)

There were no comments or questions on this item.

**4. Maintenance and Repairs to Burn Tower at the Center for Emergency Services,
Burlington Campus (Board Action No. 199-B-22)**

There were no comments or questions on this item.

5. Optical Coherence Tomogram Unity Purchase (Board Action No. 200-I-22)

There were no comments or questions on this item.

6. Student Engagement Mobile App (Board Action No. 201-T-22)

Trustee Duffy raised concerns with only providing a digital handbook and no longer printing a handbook. Ms. Maurer provided explanations for heading in this direction. Trustee McCreary raised concerns about missing a group of students who may not have the technology available to handle everything in a digital format. Mr. Allen

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indicated that students needing computer equipment have been provided with it. A smaller number of student handbooks and planners may be printed as the new digital format is phased in.

**7. Summer Camps for Underserved Secondary Students
(Board Action No. 202-A-22)**

Trustee McCreary inquired why the College would be paying for these camps. The summer camp programs are funded by the JP Morgan Chase Foundation grant which was provided for this purpose.

B. Other Agenda Items

Trustee Nowak inquired about the status of information provided in the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) report related to micro-aggressions. The guide mentioned in the report is available online. Trustee Redmer made several suggestions regarding future EDI reports. Chair Rakow and Dr. Sam reminded trustees that this position is still learning about ECC.

7. Audience Wishing to Address the Board

There were no audience members wishing to address the Board in-person.

The Board recessed at 5:11 p.m. and reconvened at 5:18 p.m.

8. Old Business

A. Video Recorded Board Meetings Uploaded to Website

This item will be postponed to next month.

B. Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Redmer provided an overview of the meeting recently held. Dr. Garber indicated that the planning group will meet once more in May for fine-tuning the draft for presentation to the Board at the May Committee of the Whole meeting and Board approval in June.

9. New Business

A. Items of Professional Growth

1. Board Goals Review

The compiled goals document was included in the April packet and will be part of the Board Retreat in June.

2. Upcoming Community Engagement Events

Ms. Kerruish reviewed upcoming community engagement events.

B. District 509 Future Teachers

Trustee Duffy requested this be on the agenda for discussion. Dr. Sam provided a review of the NIU program with ECC for teachers. Other avenues were discussed to alert K-12 schools for recruiting students to these programs. A 'future teachers club' was mentioned.

C. President's Remarks

Dr. Sam reminded the Board of our articulation agreement with U of I College of Engineering. The first ECC student has completed – computer engineering. Trustee McCreary commented that we need to look at different ways to develop continuing education and classes for senior citizens.

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D. Chair's Remarks

Chair Rakow welcomed Ms. McVey, the newly elected student trustee. She also thanked Mr. Allen for his strong leadership over the past year.

E. Announcements

No announcements were mentioned.

F. Issues for Next Month's Agenda

No items were brought forward for next month's agenda.

10. Adjournment

Motion: Trustee Ollayos moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Trustee Redmer seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Aye, 7; Rakow, Redmer, Duffy, McCreary, Nowak, Ollayos, Rodriguez; Nay, 0; Student Trustee Allen, aye. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

John Duffy, MS Ed, Board Secretary

Diane Kerruish, Board Recorder