

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES  
APRIL 10, 2023**

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 10, 2023, in Building E, Room E125, Seigle Auditorium/Virtual.

**1. Call to Order by Presiding Officer**

Chair Rakow called the meeting to order at 3:11 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, Dr. Ollayos arrived at 3:15, Mr. Rodriguez and Student Trustee, Ms. McVey. Trustees participated in-person.

*Trustees absent:* Dr. McCreary

*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. Consideration of and Possible Actions on Any Requests for a Board Member's Electronic Participation in Meeting**

No considerations necessary at this meeting.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Rodriguez.

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Committee of the Whole, March 13, 2023**

Chair Rakow requested approval of the minutes of March 13, 2023.

Mr. Nowak noted that his statement regarding TikTok needed to include his concern regarding TikTok being linked to China's Communist Party.

***Motion:*** Trustee Redmer moved to approve the minutes with the additional wording.

***Second:*** Trustee Duffy seconded the motion.

***Roll-Call Vote:*** Aye, 6; Rakow, Redmer, Duffy, Nowak, Ollayos, Rodriguez; nay, 0; Student Trustee McVey, aye: motion carried.

**5. Presentations**

**A. Sabbatical Report – Associate Professor Ginger Alms**

Ms. Alms provided an overview of her sabbatical project.

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**B. Communications & Behavioral Sciences – Dr. Kristina Garcia**

Dr. Garcia, Mr. Joe Rosenfeld, Mr. Ryan Marzano and Drew Beck gave an overview of the Recovery Support Specialist program and shared their collective visioning process. This program will help staff “living rooms” in the hospital ERs as there are 2,000 jobs that need to be filled. ECC is one of four community colleges in the state to receive a grant for this program.

**6. Construction Update**

Dr. Wagner provided an overview of the current construction projects on campus.

The following items were highlighted:

- Building A – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Buildout – There are a couple of open items on the list to complete.
- Building B Chimney Restoration – Masonry work has resumed. Inner blocking has been completed for the lower section. The remaining flue piping will be erected by the end of this week.
- Building G Auto Shop Approach Apron Repair Project – Phase 1 is under way. Half of the new concrete apron has been poured and new bollards have been set at 3 of the doors. The bad steel on the lower portion of the columns has been removed and the columns have been prepped for the installation of the new. Phase 2 is on schedule to begin May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Building H Phase II – The foundation has been completed for the music wing addition. Excavation continues for the scenery shop addition in preparation of relocating the water main in June. Internal renovations in the classroom area and music wing are currently ahead of schedule.
- Campus Doors and Security System Upgrade – The bid due date has been extended until April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Video Monitoring Upgrade Project (Marketing) – The architects survey and comments are under review by Marketing and IT. A meeting with the architects to clarify and finalize the details of the project is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Manufacturing and Technology Center Building – WT Group is currently working on the site surveys needed to compete our application to the city zoning commission. There is also ongoing discussion as to the location of the new building on our campus. The architects have brought critical concerns to the table that require our consideration.
- New Truck Driving Classroom Building – The project is currently on hold as the final site location and orientation of the manufacturing center building may affect the proposed location of the truck driving building.

**7. Review Board Actions on the March 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Agenda**

**A. Purchases**

1. Information Technology (IT) Purchase of Network Switches  
(Board Action No. 175-B-23)
2. Learning System Software Licensing and Maintenance (Board Action No. 176-B-23)
3. Spring Impact Magazine (Board Action No. 177-B-23)

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**B. Other Agenda Items**

None

**8. Audience Wishing to Address the Board**

There were no audience members wishing to address the Board.

*The Board recessed at 3:50 p.m. and reconvened at 3:57 p.m.*

**9. Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss.

**10. New Business**

**A. Items of Professional Growth**

**1. ICCTA Lobby Day – Springfield, IL May 2 and 3, 2023**

Trustees Rakow, Redmer and Rodriguez will attend.

**2. Illinois Public Act 102-1088 – Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency – Res Vazquez**

Mr. Vazquez provided the details and expectations of the unfunded mandate. Dr. Ollayos asked how this new committee relates to what the College already has in place. Mr. Vazquez explained that the Decennial Committee will discuss what the College is currently doing and review those practices every 10 years.

**3. Upcoming Community Engagement Events**

Ms. Kerruish reviewed the upcoming community engagement events that Trustees are slated to attend.

**B. President's Remarks**

Dr. Sam will share his remarks at the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 11.

**C. Chair's Remarks**

- The Special Meeting on May 1, 2023 will start at 4 p.m. Seating of the Board, the appointments and a presentation by the architects for the Manufacturing Center will be on the agenda.
- Trustee training will take place during the Board Retreat in June. Dr. Redmer added that Bruce Leslie with ACCT will be delivering a 3-hour session on the "Role of a Trustee" during the Board Retreat.
- Board policies will be reviewed as a Board during the June Committee of the Whole meeting.
- Ms. Rakow thanked Trustees Duffy and McCreary, as well as, Student Trustee McVey for their service on the Board.

**D. Announcements**

Dr. Sam invited everyone to attend Mr. Duffy's Retirement Celebration immediately following the meeting.

**E. Issues for Next Month's Agenda**

None.

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**11. Adjournment**

***Motion:*** Trustee Ollayos moved to adjourn the meeting.

***Second:*** Trustee Nowak seconded the motion.

***Voice Vote:*** Aye, 6; Rakow, Redmer, Duffy, Nowak, Ollayos, Rodriguez; Nay, 0; Student Trustee McVey, aye. Motion carried.  
The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

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Shane Nowak, Board Secretary

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Diane Kerruish, Board Recorder