

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
December 21, 2020

Call to Order: Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and the following members answered roll call:

Margaret Tyne (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

Lisa Wiersema (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

Dennis P. Fulrath (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

Ed Andersen (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

Kate Boyle (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

Student Trustee Abril Vazquez-Tapia (*remotely due to Executive Order 2020-07 as amended by Executive Order 2020-33*)

SVCC Staff: President, Dr. David Hellmich
Vice President of Academics and Student Services, Dr. Jon Mandrell (*remotely*)
Vice President of Business Services, Kent Sorenson (*remotely*)
Dean of Institutional Advancement, Dr. Lori Cortez (*remotely*)
Human Resources Director, Kathryn Snow (*remotely*)
Director of Research and Planning, Joe Strabala-Bright (*remotely*)
Executive Assistant, EmmaLea Bittner
Director of Financial Aid, Jennifer Schultz (*remotely*)
Multi-Craft Maintenance, Electrical, John Conklen (*remotely*)
Title III Program Assistant, Sheila Buccola (*remotely*)
Vice President, Architectural Department Manager, Willett Hofmann Associates, Thomas Houck (*remotely*)

Consent Agenda: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema that the Board approve the Consent Agenda. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

President's Report: Dr. David Hellmich started his report by acknowledging the former Sauk employees who have passed: President Dr. George Cole, Criminal Justice Instructor John Roe, Secretary Lena Merlo, Ground Lead Gary Drew, and Welding and Multi-craft Adjunct Instructor, Steve Bierdeman.

Dr. Hellmich introduced fall retiree John Conklen, who had worked at Sauk for 6.5 years, and congratulated him on his retirement.

Dr. Hellmich called on Dr. Jon Mandrell and Kent Sorenson who shared the following exciting news: Jon introduced Jenn Schultz, Director of Financial Aid, who received national recognition from the Department of Education; Jon announced Sauk has received a grant to assist with developmental and transitional math; and Kent announced Sauk has received \$1.2 million dollars from the Capital Board Development with State of Illinois to complete the air handlers project.

Dr. Hellmich called on Joe Strabala-Bright who presented on the College's mission, vision, and values and who reviewed the strategic plan and dashboard.

Dr. Hellmich called on Eric Epps who presented the annual security report.

Dr. Hellmich called on Dr. Lori Cortez who provided an update on the Highway Route 2 sign. She is hoping to bring a bid award to the board in January.

Dr. Hellmich, Dr. Mandrell, Eric Epps, and Joe Strabala-Bright provided updates on Sauk's response to COVID-19 and Post COVID-19 planning. Eric shared the positivity rate is decreasing and vaccinations have started in Sauk's district. Joe shared post COVID planning, including improvements to FAFSA. Jon shared an update on athletics, which included basketball being on hold, volleyball beginning practicing in January, and Spring sports expecting to have full seasons. These athletic decisions have been made under the direction of IDPH.

Student Trustee Report: Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia shared SGA is planning events for the Spring semester. She also shared student comments regarding how the Fall semester went.

Foundation Report: Dr. Lori Cortez reported that in the month of November, the Foundation awarded over \$110,000 to student for Fall scholarships.

The Foundation has awarded more than 200 scholarships to students so far in FY 2021. In addition, the Foundation has given \$871,000 in aid to students since March.

Joanie Hipple Extravaganza brought in more than \$1,900.

ICCTA Report: Chair Thompson shared ICCTA is reflecting on its year in review.

Comments from Board Members: Chair Thompson congratulated Board Assistant Bittner on her academic achievement in her first semester of her master's program.

Board Policies 514.01, 516.01, and 517.01 –
First Reading: It was moved by Member Andersen and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the revisions to *514.01 Alcoholic Beverages, 516.01 Drug-Free Campus, and 517.01 Safety and Security Reporting* as presented for a first reading. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

2020 Tax Levy: It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Duncan the Board adopt the attached resolution regarding the 2020 aggregate levy in the amount of \$6,811,927. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Banking Resolution: It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Boyle the Board adopt the attached resolution to open an ICS account with Midland States Bank. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Faculty Retirements –
Biology and Chemistry: It was moved by Chair Thompson and seconded by Member Tyne the Board accept the resignations of Dr. Eric Forman effective July 31, 2021, and David Edelbach effective May 31, 2021. Member Duncan shared David Edelbach is a great asset to SVCC and will be greatly missed. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Professional Services
Contract – Change Order: It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve a change order to the original contract with Willett Hofmann and Associates, Inc. to bring the new contract amount to \$140,350 for the purpose of engaging Workshop Architects as sub-contractor. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session: It was motioned by Member Boyle and seconded by Member Duncan to move into closed session at 6:57 p.m. due to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) & (21) – Discussion of collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. Closed Session began at 6:57 p.m.

Closed Session concluded at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Closed
Session Minutes from
November 23, 2020:

It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Duncan the Board approve the closed session minutes from 11/23/2020. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Since the scheduled business was completed, it was moved by Member Boyle and seconded by Chair Thompson that the Board adjourn. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting of the Board will be in the Board Room at 6:00 p.m. on January 25, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Tyne, Secretary