



IVCCD Board of Directors Meeting

Iowa Valley Community College District

April 10, 2024 at 4:00 PM CDT to April 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM CDT

ECC Agriculture & Renewable Energy Center,

705 Ellsworth Avenue, Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Attendance:

Present

Members: Chris Brodin, Amber Danielson, Joanna Hofer, Larry Johnson, Deb Jones, Clark Lawler

Members Absent:

Members: Paul Pohlson

Also in attendance were President Anne Howsare Boyens, Board Secretary Abigail Pelzer, Board Treasurer Gena Garber and other college personnel.

Call to Order:

Board President Johnson called the regular session of the Iowa Valley Community College District Board of Directors to order at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at the ECC Agriculture & Renewable Energy Center, 705 Ellsworth Avenue, Iowa Falls, IA 50126.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

Board President Johnson moved Item 7.5 Closed Session for Collective Bargaining Strategy Session to the end of the Board Agenda, noting no further action would be taken prior to adjournment.

Approval of the Agenda:

Director Brodin moved approval of the agenda. Motion seconded by Director Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence and/or Visitors:

Introduction of and Comments from Representatives to the Board:

ECC Faculty Representative Joerg Rochlitzer, BCS Representative Ashely Patlan, ECC Student Representative Harley Baumler, and MCC Faculty Representative Danielle Kness shared activities about their units.

Recognitions:

- Dr. Robin Lilienthal recognized MCC student Nikita McNamee who was named a semifinalist for the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship, a highly selective scholarship for the nation's top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees at four-year colleges or universities. She was the only

student selected from the State of Iowa. This scholarship would pay for the remainder of her college education upon transfer.

- Dr. Lilienthal also shared that in the 2022-23 academic year, there were 412 Emerging Hispanic-Serving Institutions, representing 13% of all colleges/universities and enrolling 15% of Latino undergraduates. Marshalltown Community College enrollment is at 24.5%.
- Dr. Barb Klein recognized ECC's men's basketball team for reaching the Final Four of the NJCAA National Tournament in March. The Panthers hadn't made it to the Region XI Final in 11 seasons and hadn't been to Nationals in nearly four decades. Under the leadership of Coach Bryan Bender and his #PhD philosophy, the Panthers were not only outstanding on the court but also produced in the classroom with ten 1st Team Academic All-Americans (GPA above 3.50) and five 2nd Team Academic All-Americans (GPA between 3.00 and 3.49) after the Fall 2023 term.
- Dr. Klein also recognized Craig Juilfs, Associate Dean of Enrollment, and his staff recently organized a counselor day for our area guidance counselors. The day was filled with updates on concurrent enrollment opportunities, information on new academic programs, changes in the financial aid world, a campus tour, along with some ECC swag to take back with them. Feedback was positive and we look forward to doing it again next fall.

Introduction of New Employees:

No new employees were introduced.

Friends of the Equine Center Presentation:

The Friends of the Equine Center group presented their plans for supporting an expansion of the equine center to potentially include an outdoor arena and other improvements to the property.

Strategic Presentation:

IVCCD District Chief Information Officer Mike Mosher gave a presentation on cybersecurity as part of Outcome #4 - strengthening IVCCD's sustainability.

CONSENT AGENDA:

President's Comments Regarding the Consent Agenda:

Dr. Howsare Boyens thanked Linn County Rural Electric Cooperative for donating various tools and equipment to the the MCC Power Line program. She also thanked Rachel Bly and dozens of donors for their contributions to the MCC/IVG Food Pantry in remembrance of Robert "Bob" Hamilton.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Motion:

Director Lawler moved approval of the Consent Agenda Items: Item 5.1. - Approval of Minutes; Item 5.2 - Personnel Report; Item 5.3. - Approval of Bills as Audited by the Finance Committee;. Item 5.5 - Acceptance of Gifts and Grants and Item 5.6 - Approval of the MCC and ECC 2023-

2024 Spring and Summer Graduation Application Lists. Motion seconded by Director Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

Action Items:

Closed Session for Discussion of Pending Litigation

Director Hofer moved at 5:14 p.m. to enter into Closed Session under the provisions of Chapter 21.5(1.)(c) of the Code of Iowa for discussion on pending litigation. Motion seconded by Director Jones. On a roll call vote: Ayes – Directors Danielson, Jones, Lawler, Brodin, Hofer, and Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered Open Session at 5:31 p.m.

Approval of Settlement and Release Agreement

Director Hofer moved approval of the settlement and release agreement between IVCCD and Troy Muilenburg for a payment totaling \$85,000. Motion seconded by Director Brodin. On roll call vote: Ayes – Directors Danielson, Jones, Lawler, Brodin, Hofer, and Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing and Approval of FY2025 Certified Budget

The Board reviewed the publication certificates. After stating that the budget has been reviewed and was adopted at the March 6, 2024 Board meeting, Board President Johnson declared that this was an open and public hearing held pursuant to law as published for the purpose of hearing questions or comments on the proposed FY2025 budget. There were no oral or written comments. Board President Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

Motion:

Director Jones moved approval of the FY25 budget and filing the budget with the Controlling County Auditor of Marshall County. Motion seconded by Director Danielson. On roll call vote: Ayes - Directors Danielson, Jones, Lawler, Brodin, Hofer, and Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on the Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost for the IVCCD-ECC Equine Arena Roof-Construction Project

After announcing the formal opening of the public hearing on the Iowa Valley Community College District-ECC Equine Arena Roof-Construction Project, 709 Ellsworth Avenue, Iowa Falls, IA 50126 and that notice has been appropriately published, Board President Johnson requested any written or oral objections to be presented. There were none. Board President Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

Motion:

Director Danielson moved approval of the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the Iowa Valley Community College District-ECC Equine Arena Roof-Construction Project, 709 Ellsworth Avenue, Iowa Falls, IA 50126, and setting the date for bid opening for

May 2, 2024 at 1 p.m. at the Iowa Valley Community College District Administration Building Board Room, 3702 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158, and setting the date for bid approval for May 8 at 4 p.m., IVCCD Conference Center Room 612/614, 3702 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158. Motion was seconded by Director Hofer. On roll call vote: Ayes - Directors Danielson, Jones, Lawler, Brodin, Hofer, and Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Master Agreement for Concurrent Enrollment

Iowa Valley Grinnell Dean Ashtyn Beek presented the Master Agreement for Concurrent Enrollment, noting some updates to the agreements to align with Iowa Department of Education guidance. The agreements will provide concurrent enrollment for 2024-2025 to the following school districts: *AGWSR Community School District, BCLUW Community School District, BGM Community School District, East Marshall Community School District, GMG Community School District, Grinnell-Newburg Community School District, Iowa Falls-Alden Community School District, Marshalltown Community School District, Montezuma Community School District, Eldora-New Providence Community School District, South Tama Community School District, and West Marshall Community School District.*

Motion:

Director Lawler moved approval of the Master Agreement for Concurrent Enrollment. Motion seconded by Director Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Information Items:

Monthly Financial Statements:

Ms. Garber reported on the February 2024 financials.

Board President's Report:

Board President Johnson noted the ACCT Leadership Conference is scheduled for Oct. 23-26, 2024 in Seattle, Washington.

Board of Directors Report:

There was no report.

President's Report:

Dr. Howsare Boyens noted several employees from the District will attend an HLC conference in Chicago this week and also provided legislative updates.

Board Secretary's Report:

There was no report.

Closed Session for Collective Bargaining Strategy:

Director Lawler moved at 5:50 p.m. to enter into Closed Session under the provisions of Chapter 20.17 of the Code of Iowa for a Collective Bargaining Strategy session. Motion seconded by Director Danielson. On roll call vote: Ayes - Directors Danielson, Jones, Lawler, Brodin, Hofer, and Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered Open Session at 5:54 p.m.

Adjournment:

The Board meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.



Larry Johnson, Board President



Abigail Pelzer, Board Secretary

5-8-2024

Date