

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
October 26, 2020

Call to Order: Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:01 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

Student Trustee Abril Vazquez-Tapia (*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*)

Dennis P. Fulrath

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

Absent: Brian Duncan

SVCC Staff: President, Dr. David Hellmich
Vice President of Academics and Student Services,
Dr. Jon Mandrell
Vice President of Business Services, Kent Sorenson
Dean of Institutional Advancement, Lori Cortez (*remotely*)
Human Resources Director, Kathryn Snow (*remotely*)
Director of Research and Planning, Joe Strabala-Bright (*remotely*)
Executive Assistant, EmmaLea Bittner
Marketing Coordinator, Dallas Knack (*remotely*)
Title III Program Assistant, Sheila Buccola (*remotely*)

Consent Agenda: It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Tyne 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 provided an update on Sauk's COVID-19 response and post COVID-19 planning. Eric Epps gave COVID statistics. Dr. Jon Mandrell shared how COVID-19 has impacted classes and provided an update on athletics. Joe Strabala-Bright shared about post COVID-19 planning, including that operational planning will begin in January and will incorporate post COVID-19 planning. Jon also provided an update on the tutoring initiative called *Homework Help*, which is a free tutoring service led by Sauk Scholars.

Next, Dr. Hellmich called upon Dr. Lori Cortez who introduced Dallas Knack. Dallas provided a video about the *Report to the Community*, which highlights major College events and accomplishments of the 2019-2020 year. The report is available on the SVCC website. Dave also discussed *Sauk Valley Unites*, a non-partisan partnership of organizations and individuals across the Sauk Valley calling communities to come together to seek common ground and discourage polarization, to advocate for everyone being a good neighbor and community member, and to promote peaceful elections and safeguard the democratic process.

Dave and Cabinet members presented a list of five projects to be submitted to the ICCB RAMP 2022 list: a CTE Expansion, Learning Commons Upgrades, Corporate and Community Space, General Education Classroom Upgrades, and a Student Life Space.

Lastly, Dave called upon Kent Sorenson, who provided an update on Fiscal Year 2020 Audit Update and Financial Review.

Student Trustee Report: Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia shared how the October Student Activities went and shared a list of upcoming events for November. She also shared some student concerns regarding privacy during synchronized classes and asked about how the courses were going to be delivered for the upcoming semester. Dr. Jon Mandrell shared the Spring semester will be the same as the Fall with the majority of courses online, and he will look into the privacy concerns and follow up with Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia.

Foundation Report: Dr. Lori Cortez reported that, in order to ease the hardship of mitigations, the Foundation provided eight work-study students the opportunity to earn their paychecks by calling and thanking donors during a two-week long thank you phone-athon. Lori reported the Foundation brought in \$38,000 in new gifts last month. And the \$2.1 million Title III grant will provide its first installment to the Impact Program next month in the approximate amount of \$23,000. Within the next four years, the Title III grant will provide approximately \$220,000 toward our program.

ICCTA Report: Chair Thompson discussed the upcoming ICCTA meeting set for November 13-14 in Schaumburg, Illinois.

419.01 Fringe Benefits –
First Reading:

It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Fulrath the Board approve the revisions to *419.01 Fringe Benefits* as presented for a first reading. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

2021-2024 Academic
Calendar:

It was moved by Chair Thompson and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the updated academic calendar for 2021-2024 as presented. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

IncludEd Course Material
Fee:

It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Andersen the Board approve these additional course material fees as presented for the spring semester. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Move to table Action Item
4.4-Administrator
Appointment – Director of
SVC Foundation

It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board table Action Item 4.4 until after Closed Session. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution
Regarding the Intent to
Levy:

It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Tyne the Board adopt the resolution regarding the intent to levy equity adjustment under the Act. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Protection, Health, and Safety Projects 2021:

It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Fulrath the Board adopt the resolution for approve protection, health, and safety projects. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session:

It was motioned by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Tyne to move into closed session at 7:04 p.m. due to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1 and, 21) – The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and 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 7:04 p.m.

Closed Session concluded at 7:20 p.m.

Remove Action Item 4.4-Administrator Appointment – Director of SVC Foundation from being tabled and Move to Vote:

It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board remove Action Item 4.4-Administrator Appointment – Director of SVC Foundation from being tabled and move to vote. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Administrator Appointment – Director of SVC Foundation:

It was moved by Member Fulrath and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board approve the appointment of Chris Pilling as the Director of the SVC Foundation beginning November 2, 2020. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes Review:

It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Fulrath the Board, having reviewed its closed session minutes as required by law, keep closed all the minutes that are currently closed, with the exception of the minutes from the following sessions: May 2020 regarding the portion of the minutes reflecting discussion of the administrative appointment and August 2020 regarding the two administrative appointments. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Vazquez-Tapia advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.