

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 16, 2026

Call to Order: Chair Thompson called the Public Hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$5,900,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District to order at 6:00 p.m., and the following members answered roll call:

Brian Duncan	Danelle Burrs
Margaret Tyne	Sam Ramirez
Student Trustee, Madison Krum	Tom Demmer

Excused: Lisa Wiersema

SVCC Staff: President, Dr. David Hellmich
Vice President of Academics and Student Services, Dr. Jon Mandrell
Vice President of Advancement, Dr. Lori Cortez
Vice President of Business Services, Kent Sorenson
Dean of Student Services, Jennifer Schultz
Dean of Transfer Programs and Academic Support Service,
Dr. Patrice Hess
Director of Human Resources, Megan Kuhn
Director of Research and Planning, Aaron Roe
Board Assistant, Peggy Eshleman

Guests: None

Conduct Public Hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$5,900,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District: Chair Thompson opened the floor for Board comments and public comments. No comments were made. It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board adjourn the public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$5,900,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried.

Public hearing adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Call to Order: Chair Thompson called the regular board meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and the following members answered roll call:

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Guests: None

Consent Agenda: It was moved by Member Burrs and seconded by Member Duncan the Board approve the consent agenda. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

President's Report: Dr. David Hellmich acknowledged Jean L. Cogdall, an electronics instructor for many years, who passed away on February 14, 2026.

Due to today's inclement weather, the 2026 Faculty and Staff of the Year Recipients will be honored at the April board meeting.

Student Trustee Madison Krum reported on the following recent spring semester happenings: *Skyhawks for a Cause*, a fundraising event supporting SVCC student clubs, the recent SGA meeting highlighting upcoming student elections, and a Town Hall Chat with Dean of Student Services, Jennifer Schultz. Madison previewed the following upcoming events: Spring Blood Drive, IMALIVE Fair, Financial Freedom presentation, SGA Elections, Dawson Hollow, and Brittany Piper.

Foundation Report: Dr. Lori Cortez reported on the Points of Pride – the successes with the Regional Office of Education partnership, Workforce Development LEAP in conjunction with Northern Illinois University, and the success to date of the Amboy Impact campaign. Lori reported on the Hellmich Legacy, including an additional \$100,000 from a donor for Newman students, as well as a donor from Dixon who wants to contribute \$100,000 for Dixon students for the Hellmich Legacy. She answered questions about the April 10 Hellmich Legacy event.

ICCTA Report: Chair Thompson had no report.

<p>Board Policy <i>409.01 Administrative Employment Contracts, Contract Continuation, and Contract Termination</i> – Second Reading:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Tyne the Board approve the revisions to <i>409.01 Administrative Employment Contracts, Contract Continuation, and Contract Termination</i> as presented for a second reading. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Board Policy <i>419.01 Fringe Benefits</i> – Second Reading:</p>	<p>It was moved by Student Trustee Krum and seconded by Member Duncan the Board approve the revisions to <i>419.01 Fringe Benefits</i> as presented for a second reading. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Administrator Appointment – Director of Athletics:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Tyne the Board approve the appointment of Derron Sellers as Director of Athletics beginning March 2, 2026, at an annual base salary of \$76,960. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Fiscal Year 2026 Administrative Appointments:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve the administrative appointments as presented. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Outstanding Full-time Faculty Member Award:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve the nomination of Professor Therese Wood for the 2026 ICCTA Outstanding Full-time Faculty Member Award. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Demmer the Board approve the nomination of Professor Elisa Gatz for the 2026 ICCTA Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Fiscal Year 2025 Audit:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Demmer the Board accept the College’s fiscal year 2025 financial audit and Single Audit as presented. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. Kent Sorenson answered questions from the Trustees.</p>
<p>Contract Approval – Modernize Digital Sign at the Corner of Sauk Road and Alan Pfeifer Drive:</p>	<p>It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve the contract with Nesper Sign Advertising, Inc. in the amount of \$39,203 for the replacement and installation of the electronic message display located at the corner of Sauk Road and Alan Pfeifer Drive. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.</p>

Sole Source Procurement
– Unetixs Vascular: It was moved by Member Demmer and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve the purchase of the MultiLab Series II Roodra Vascular System with DICOM from Unetixs Vascular in the amount of \$42,190 to support the instructional needs of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Exemption per Board
Policy 428.02: It was moved by Member Demmer and seconded by Member Duncan the Board, per Board Policy 428.02 *Employment Investigations and Employee Testing*, approve an exemption so this candidate can be hired for the position. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. There were some questions including one about the application for employment. Jon Mandrell and Megan Kuhn answered the Trustees' questions.

Request to Serve Alcohol: It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve serving alcohol on May 12, 2026, at the Sauk Valley Favorites event. In a roll call vote, all voted aye with the exception of Member Ramirez, who abstained. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Since the scheduled business was completed, it was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board adjourn. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Krum advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Next meeting: The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 27, 2026, in the Riverview Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Tyne, Secretary