BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2026

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

Brian Duncan	Danelle Burrs
Margaret Tyne	Sam Ramirez
Lisa Wiersema	Tom Demmer
Student Trustee, Ronnie Clark	

SVCC Staff:

President, Dr. Jon Mandrell
Vice President of Advancement, Dr. Lori Cortez
Vice President of Business Services, Kent Sorenson
Vice President of Information and Planning, Aaron Schupbach-Roe
Dean of Business, Career, and Technical Education, Sasha Logan
Dean of Student Services, Jennifer Schultz
Director of Facilities, Rich Groleau
Board Assistant, Myndi Fletcher
Mandy Aldridge, Director of Admissions and Academic Advising
Dakota Geesey, Enrollment Management/Dual Credit Specialist
Jim Grot, Marketing Manager
Sarah McFarland, Program Director of Adult Education

Guests: Corporal Kyle Kellen, School Resource Officer

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

Chair Thompson asked about end of year projections and Kent provided an update indicating that the College's finances remain on track and are performing in line with expectations as the fiscal year draws to a close.

Bob welcomed Dr. Mandrell in his role as President and Myndi Fletcher as Board Assistant. Both expressed their appreciation for the warm welcome and thanked the Board for its support as they begin their new roles in service to the College and community.

President's Report:	Dr. Mandrell and Sasha Logan, along with Director Sarah McFarlane, provided highlights of the recent May 21, 2026 Adult Education graduation ceremony. Dr. Mandrell, Jennifer Schultz, Mandy Aldridge, Dakota Geesey, and Jim Grot discussed the recent redesign of the New Student Orientation program. Orientation provides an important opportunity to proactively support students as they prepare for their first semester and begin their college journey. The first two sessions have been well received and have proven effective in connecting students with resources, information, and support services. The team continues to evaluate feedback and identify additional opportunities for improvement to ensure students have a successful start at SVCC. Dr. Mandrell and Aaron Schupbach-Roe provided an update on the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Assurance Argument, which is due this June as part of the fourth year of the College's ten-year accreditation cycle. The Assurance Argument provides an opportunity to demonstrate how the College meets HLC's criteria for accreditation and to highlight the many accomplishments, programs, and services that support student success. We are proud of the work being done across campus and look forward to showcasing the outstanding opportunities and outcomes that define our institution.
Reports/Comments from Board Members and the SVC Foundation:	Student Trustee Ronnie Clark provided an overview of her activities and presence on the campus, as well as what events are coming up. She also discussed revamping the home athletics games and efforts to make the events more interactive. Foundation Report: Dr. Lori Cortez reported on the Points of Pride, including the Impact Program hours, Project Vital student success, and the community partnership with the YMCA hosting their summer camp program here on campus. ICCTA Report: Chair Thompson discussed the June 5, 2026 ICCTA event in Lombard, IL. A great group of our colleagues attended the dinner and celebrated our winners.
Board Policy *306.01 Tax Abatement* – Second Reading:	It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Demmer the Board approve the revisions to *306.01 Tax Abatement*, as presented for a second reading. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. Bob indicated one area of the policy to be stricken in the first paragraph and Dr. Mandrell noted this.

Faculty Appointment - Nursing	It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Burrs the Board approve the appointment of Cara Widolff as Nursing Faculty beginning August 3, 2026 at an annual base salary of $59,417.64. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Faculty Appointment - Nursing	It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve the appointment of Michelle Gillihan as Nursing Faculty beginning August 3, 2026 at an annual base salary of $67,252.11. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Faculty Appointment – Radiological Technology Program Coordinator	It was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Tyne the Board approve the appointment of Carissa Welsh as Radiological Technology Program Coordinator beginning August 3, 2026 at an annual base salary of $51,364.70. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Resolution Abating the Working Cash Fund of the District	It was moved by Member Tyne and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board adopt the resolution authorizing the abatement of $4,895,355.46 from the Working Cash Fund and the permanent transfer of those funds to the Operations and Maintenance Fund (Restricted). In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Amendments and Transfers	It was moved by Member Demmer and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2026 budget amendments and transfers as presented at the meeting. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Contract Renewal – Modern Campus OmniCMS	It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Demmer the Board approve the proposed contract terms from Modern Campus Omni CMS for a total obligation of $80,426.04.
Bid Award – Baseball and Softball Fence Renovation Project	It was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Demmer the Board award the bid to BlueBird Contracting, Inc. of Rock Falls, Illinois, in the amount of $59,600, for the Baseball and Softball Fence Renovation Project, to be funded through restricted use bond proceeds. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. Member Wiersema would like to go on record that we should watch this.
Request to Serve Alcohol	It was moved by Member Wiersema and seconded by Member Ramirez the Board approve serving alcohol on July 16, 2026 at the Business After Business event held on campus. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.

Closed Session:	It was moved by Member Duncan and seconded by Member Wiersema the Board move into closed session at 6:58 p.m. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried.
Adjournment:	Since the scheduled business was completed, it was moved by Member Ramirez and seconded by Member Clark the Board adjourn. In a roll call vote, all voted aye. Student Trustee Clark advisory vote: aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.
Next meeting:	The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 27, 2026, in the Hellmich Riverview Conference Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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Margaret Tyne, Secretary