

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
DISTRICT NO. 537
RICHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

June 15, 2021

CONVENING OF THE MEETING

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2021, in the Board Room of Richland Community College by Chairman Dunning. Chairman Dunning also recited the College Vision, Mission, and Core Values.

Roll Call

Trustees Present: Tom Ritter, Dr. David Coopridger, Bruce Campbell, Dale Colee, Jaime Shobe-Brown, Bishop Wayne Dunning, Vicki Carr and Rhiannon Hartman

Trustees Absent: None

Also present: Dr. Cris Valdez and other staff members

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 18, 2021 had been distributed to the Board prior to this meeting.

Ritter moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 18, 2021. Campbell seconded. Voice vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Dr. Valdez and the Board of Trustees welcomed everyone in attendance.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

College Activities Report

June 2021

Registration going on now – richland.edu/registration

Fall classes begin August 12, 2021

June 18 - Adult Education Graduation - Shilling Auditorium - 5pm

June 21-25 - Thinkwell - 7th Grade Camp - National Sequestration Education Center

June 29 - Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center - RC 21-12 Graduation - Shilling Auditorium and YouTube Online Live feed - 2pm

July 2021

July 5 - College Closed (Independence Day)

July 16 - Macon County Relay for Life - Shilling Community Education Center - 7-10pm

June and July 2021

Every Tuesday Farmers Market - Bistro Five Thirty Seven (outside) - 5-7:30pm

June 28 – July 2 - Thinkwell 8th Grade Camp - National Sequestration Education Center

Media Coverage:

- Thinkwell Camp
- Community Foundation Grants
- COVID Vaccine Clinic
- State Budget

- Board of Trustees Summer Retreat – July 8, 2021
- Board of Trustees Meeting – Board Room, July 20, 2021
- Other activities listed in the Board Book

Personnel Update

Retirements, Resignations, and Terminations

Ryan Rogiers, Culinary Arts Faculty, effective May 14, 2021

Kathy Lee, Surgical Tech Faculty, effective May 31, 2021

SPECIAL REPORTS

REPORT OF ICCTA

Vicki Carr, Tom Ritter and Chairman Dunning attended the meeting in Bloomington on June 4-5, 2021. Vicki and Tom completed their Trustee Training and Vicki gave highlights of the meeting. Chairman Dunning shared gifts with the other Trustees and encouraged others to attend the next meeting in August.

COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT

Rev. Courtney Carson presented – Essential Skills – Success Stories

PRELIMINARY FY22 BUDGET

Greg Florian presented the FY22 Tentative Budget to the Board of Trustees.

REPORT OF STUDENT TRUSTEE

Student Trustee Rhiannon Hartman presented the Student Leadership Council Report.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Julie Melton reported on top accomplishments, projects in progress and new opportunities on the horizon.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE MICROBIOLOGY AUTOCLAVE

A recommendation was made to the Board that would authorize the College Administration to purchase the Autoclave and all necessary accessories from Consolidated Sterilizer Systems, of Billerica, Massachusetts for a total cost of \$ 36,727.55, as presented.

Ritter moved to approve and authorize the College Administration to purchase the Autoclave and all necessary accessories from Consolidated Sterilizer Systems, of Billerica, Massachusetts for a total cost of \$ 36,727.55, as presented. Dr. Coopridge seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE TWO (2) JOHN DEERE MOWERS

A recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees that would authorize the Administration to purchase two (2) John Deere Z930M Zero Turn Mowers as quoted from Sloan Implement Company of Shelbyville, IL for the total of \$23,083.96, as presented.

Carr moved to approve and authorize the Administration to purchase two (2) John Deere Z930M Zero Turn Mowers as quoted from Sloan Implement Company of Shelbyville, IL for the total of \$23,083.96, as presented. Hartman seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR RICHLAND FEDERATION OF TEACHERS LOCAL 4262 FOR 2021 THROUGH 2024

A recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees to approve the 2021-2024 RFT contract, as presented.

Dr. Coopriider moved to approve the 2021-2024 RFT contract, as presented. Carr seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE LABORATORY DISHWASHER (BIOLOGY)

A recommendation was to the Board that would authorize the College Administration to purchase the Laboratory Dishwasher and all necessary accessories from Thomas Scientific, LLC, of Swedesboro, New Jersey for a total cost of \$ 11,215.41, as presented.

Carr moved to approve and authorize the College Administration to purchase the Laboratory Dishwasher and all necessary accessories from Thomas Scientific, LLC, of Swedesboro, New Jersey for a total cost of \$ 11,215.41, as presented. Ritter seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION TO PURCHASE TWO DIESEL SEMI-TRUCKS

A recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees that would authorize the College Administration to purchase two (2) used Mack CXU 613s from Decatur Mack Sales & Service, Inc. for a total cost of \$30,000, as presented.

Dr. Coopriider moved to authorize the College Administration to purchase two (2) used Mack CXU 613s from Decatur Mack Sales & Service, Inc. for a total cost of \$30,000, as presented. Hartman seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

RAMP FY2023

A recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 RAMP projects and authorize College Administration to submit the projects to the Illinois Community College Board, as presented.

Carr moved to approve the recommendation of the FY23 RAMP projects and authorize College Administration to submit the projects to the Illinois Community College Board, as presented. Colee seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

BILLS AND TRAVEL EXPENDITURES PAYABLE

The May 2021 Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement were presented to and discussed with the Board.

A list of bills paid in the amount of \$777,607.28 for May 2021 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting.

Campbell moved to ratify the May bills and travel expenditures paid and approve the Financial Statement subject to audit. Dr. Coopriider seconded. Roll call vote being all ayes, Chairman Dunning declared the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

- President Valdez reported to the Board of Trustees that the Summer Board Retreat would be held July 8, 2021. The agenda should be sent out by the end of the week.
- President Valdez notified the Trustees of the \$15.3 million fully appropriated funds coming from the State of Illinois.
- President Valdez reported that Joe Feinstein and his staff have worked to get the majority of the borrowed laptops back and they are working diligently to get the rest.

ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

- Tom Ritter asked for an update on the construction and flood issues that occurred. Greg reported that the flood is a complete contractor liability and there should be no setbacks.
- Dr. Coopriider apologized for his absence last month.
- Janilyn Kocher thanked the Board for voting “yes” to the contract and insured them that the faculty looks forward to continue working with the College Administration to promote the mission and vision of the College.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Carr moved and Dr. Coopriider seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Dale Colee, Secretary