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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
MARCH 6, 2014

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
TO REAFFIRM CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO’S
CONTINUED PROHIBITION OF FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS
OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

WHEREAS, the Illinois Public Community College Act, as amended, lists the powers and duties of community college districts in the State of Illinois, and states in 110 ILCS 850/3-30, that:

“The Board of any Community College District has the powers...that may be requisite or proper for the maintenance, operation and development of any college or colleges under the jurisdiction of the Board.”

WHEREAS, Section 4.3 of the Board Bylaws of City Colleges of Chicago provides for the adoption of policies and states that:

“The Board may adopt, from time to time, policy statements, guidelines, procedures, regulations, collective bargaining agreements, codes of conduct or similar documents issued for the governance of the Board, the District and the Colleges.”

WHEREAS, City Colleges of Chicago (CCC) recognizes that the presence of firearms on CCC property is dangerous and contrary to the mission of the District which includes maintaining a safe and secure environment for its employees, students and visitors;

WHEREAS, CCC reaffirms its longstanding ban on the possession of firearms and other dangerous weapons on all campuses and all District-sponsored events to ensure a safe and secure environment for all employees students and visitors;

WHEREAS, CCC will continue to comply with the applicable state, federal statutes and local ordinances governing the possession of firearms and other dangerous weapons, including the recently passed Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act (Act) (430 ILCS 66/1 *et. seq.*);

WHEREAS, the Act expressly prohibits the carrying of concealed weapons on community college property, whether owned or leased;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Act and the Law Enforcement Officer’s Safety Act (18 U.S.C. §926C), CCC’s existing Safety and Security Policy (Section 9.2) is revised to reflect that the

carrying of firearms on CCC controlled property is prohibited and that qualified retired law enforcement officers employed as CCC security personnel may carry firearms; and

WHEREAS, the Officers of the District support the policy restatement and the revisions that are being recommended by the Chancellor;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the restatement and revision of City Colleges of Chicago's policy in accordance with the Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act be adopted by the Board of Trustees effective March 6, 2014, and posted to the City Colleges of Chicago website.

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EXHIBIT A
REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL
ARTICLE 9 – SAFETY AND SECURITY

9.2 SECURITY OPERATIONS.

C. Dress Code

- 1) Colleges may provide staffers with blazers bearing the college seal, or other appropriate attire.
- 2) All security staffers shall wear security uniforms while on duty, if required to do so by the college.
- 3) Colleges shall provide security staffers who patrol outside the building with jackets that clearly identify the wearers as college-security staff members.

D. Security Staff Firearms and Weapons Protocols

- 1) The possession of firearms and other dangerous weapons on community college property, owned, leased or controlled by the District, is expressly prohibited with the limited exception for qualified active and retired law enforcement officers employed as CCC security personnel.
- 2) Qualified active and retired law enforcement officers must keep any weapons they carry concealed, or place the weapons in gun lockers. Security staffers who are not qualified active or retired law-enforcement officers may not carry firearms.

9.3 ENFORCEMENT OF CRIMINAL LAWS.

A. Policy

- 1) It is the responsibility of the Office of Safety and Security to protect CCC students, faculty, and property from violations of criminal statutes. Security Officers, who are also off-duty police officers, have the authority to make arrests. They may do so when they have evidence that a crime has been committed. Security Officers who are not off-duty police officers may not make arrests. They should, however, notify CCC off-duty police officers and the Chicago Police Department of any criminal activities.
- 2) CCC students, faculty, and staff members must report all violations of the law that occur at the City Colleges to the security department.
- 3) Except as provided elsewhere in this Section, no individual shall possess, carry or have control of a firearm on any property owned or otherwise controlled by CCC.