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

MINUTES

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016
DISTRICT OFFICE - 226 W. JACKSON BOULEVARD, ROOM 300**

Pursuant to provisions of the Public Community College Act, as amended, of the State of Illinois, County of Cook, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508 was held on December 1, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., District Office, 226 W. Jackson Boulevard, Room 300, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

ATTENDEES

TRUSTEES

Charles R. Middleton, Chair
Gary Gardner, Vice Chair
Clarisol Duque, Secretary
Karen Kent
Melanny Buitron, Student Trustee

CHIEF ADVISOR TO THE BOARD

Tracey B. Fleming

CHANCELLOR

Cheryl L. Hyman

GENERAL COUNSEL

Eugene Munin

OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

James Frankenbach – *Chief Operating Officer*
Joyce Carson – *Chief Financial Officer*
Craig Lynch – *Chief of Staff and Enterprise Services*
Diane Minor – *Vice Chancellor, Administrative and Procurement Services*
Joyce Carson – *Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer*
Beatrice O'Donnell – *Vice Chancellor, Safety and Security*
Rasmus Lynnerup – *Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Strategy Officer*
Laurent Pernot – *Executive Vice Chancellor and Senior Adviser*
Stephanie Tomino—*Vice Chancellor of Human Resources and Staff Development*

COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

President Margaret Martyn, Harold Washington College
President Angelia Millender, Olive-Harvey College
Interim President David Sanders, Malcolm X College
President Arshele Stevens, Kennedy-King College
President David Potash, Wright College

FACULTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Professor Jennifer Alexander, Daley College

OTHER ATTENDEES

William Scott	Senior Citizen
Jess Bader	Harold Washington College
Arlene Strong	CCC District Office
Laura Puente	CCC District Office
D. Alston	CSA
JR Dempsey	CCC District Office
D. Ruiz/CM	NBC
Mark Pateska	Civic Federation
Leslie Villasenor	CCC District Office
Delores Withers	Local 1708
Tony Johnston	CCCTU

I. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Chair Middleton called to order the December 1, 2016 Regular Board Meeting at 9:03 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

The Chief Advisor to the Board called roll:

Melanny Buitron	Present
Clarisol Duque	Present
Gary Gardner	Present
Karen Kent	Present
Charles R. Middleton	Present
Isaac S. Goldman	Absent
Darrell Griffin	Absent
Marisela Lawson	Absent

III. REMARKS FROM CHAIR MIDDLETON

Chair Middleton with an update on the leadership searches currently underway at City Colleges of Chicago. The Chair noted that the Chancellor Search Committee would be conducting its initial review of applications for the position of Chancellor this month. based on that review, the candidate will identify a short list of semi-finalists and plan next steps in its process. The position announcement for the Provost/Chief Academic officer job was released on November 14th and the pool of candidates for that position is being developed at this time. Chair Middleton noted that by the February meeting of the board, the board intends to update the board bylaws to update the duties and responsibilities of the Provost/Chief Academic Officer.

Next, Chair Middleton noted the recent accomplishments of Wright College English Professor Daniel Borzutzky, who in November, won the 2016 National Book Award for Poetry. His book, "A Performance of Being Human," has been chosen as the finest work of poetry in the United States in the year 2016.

IV. STUDENT TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Student Trustee Buitron began by noting her role as an advocate for all students at City Colleges of Chicago. She also noted her participation in the ICCB Student Advisory Council. As a student leader, she meets regularly with SGA presidents from all seven City Colleges and they work collaboratively to address district-wide concerns. She noted that the College Presidents meet regularly with representatives of their respective SGA's and appreciate the opportunity to engage on a variety of topics. Student Trustee Buitron noted that as a group the SGA leadership has meet districtwide to plan a plate form for advocacy on MAP funding statewide and to support BSF programs within community colleges. She further noted the Wake up with SGA program at Harold Washington College, the Safe Space campaign at Wright College and the work at Kennedy-King college to provide support to students during finals.

In response to Student Trustee Buitron's report, the Chair noted that he ran into many of the SGA leadership while attending the ICCTA conference in Naperville in November and that they had a good, unplanned conversation.

V. CHANCELLOR'S UPDATES

Chancellor Hyman welcomed those in attendance and noted the board would be considering a Welcoming Campus resolution at today's meeting and that the board will be considering resolution 1.02, which will authorize the transfer of funds from the working cash fund to the education fund due to a lack of State funding. Chancellor Hyman noted that the State has appropriated only 37 percent of expected funding to City Colleges over the past two fiscal years and have made significant cuts in the MAP grant program, resulting enrollments by MAP-eligible students falling 30 percent below fall 2014 levels. She noted that while the District has weathered these challenges, doing so has meant slowing down hiring, cancelling capital investments and reducing overall expenses. These adjustments have only been possible with dedicated engagement and sacrifice by the College Presidents and the Vice Chancellors, however there is a huge strain on the system and our ability to continue to fuel our academic programs and operations at the levels we have become accustomed to is in jeopardy.

VI. DISTRICT UPDATES

The December district update was on the art programs at Harold Washington College. A copy of the presentation by Harold Washington College President Margaret Martyn, Professor Jess Bader and HW students Jerico Walls and Theresa Johnston can be found [here](#).

At the end of the presentation, Secretary Duque commented the student presenters for their hard work and noted that the national focus on STEM fields (Science, Technology Engineering and Math) are now being referred to as STEAM fields (now also recognizing artistic endeavors) as critical and valuable fields of study. Secretary Duque encouraged the students to simultaneously embrace the artistic and entrepreneurial sides of their personas as they proceed in their education at City Colleges and beyond.

Chair Middleton noted that the quality and scope of programing available at City Colleges of Chicago, including the arts is extremely important and valuable given the importance of arts to the centrality of the human condition and human existence.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were two (2) public participants.

- 1) Mr. Scott spoke about increased awareness and enrollment at Malcolm X College, the enrollment of CHA residents and his artistic critique of the Malcolm X facility.
- 2) Professor Tony Johnston, President CCCTU, Local 1600, spoke about the importance of sanctuary campus and safe spaces for immigrant students.

VIII. FACULTY COUNCIL REPORT

Professor Jennifer Alexander of Daley College delivered the December Faculty Council Report. The full report can be found [here](#).

IX. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2016 BOARD MEETING PACKET

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

[Section 1 – Resolutions](#)

Chair Middleton began the review of December board items by noting that the board would consider Resolutions 1.00 through 1.04 as a group. He then asked CFO Carson to provide an overview of Resolutions [1.00](#), [1.01](#), [1.02](#), [1.03](#) and [1.04](#).

At the conclusion of CFO Carson's review of these items, Secretary Duque thanked Chancellor Hyman, CFO Carson and the staff in the Office of Finance for their resolve in addressing the challenges posed by the situation in the state Capital.

The Chair then entertained a motion to approve Resolutions 1.00 through 1.04

<Motion> Secretary Clarisol Duque

<Second> Trustee Karen Kent

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor to the Board called the roll,

Clarisol Duque	Aye
Gary Gardner	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Student Trustee Buitron	Aye (advisory)
Charles R. Middleton	Aye

There were four ayes, zero nays, no abstentions or recusals.

Next, Chair Middleton briefed the Board on Resolution [1.05](#). Resolution 1.05 reinforces the District's long-standing commitment to maintaining a safe space and a welcoming environment for all of our students, our faculty, our staff, and for other people who come to our institutions. It further endorses the strong steps taken by the City of Chicago and Mayor Emanuel's administration with the City Council in passing the Welcoming City Ordinance, and re-affirms that acts of discrimination and harassment based on immigration status, among many other protected statuses, of a potential or current member of the staff or student body would be a violation of the policies and procedures of the Board. The Chair noted with gratitude the work and engagement on this issue by Chancellor Hyman and Executive Vice Chancellor Pernot.

Secretary Duque noted that the Board of the City Colleges of Chicago represents one of the most diverse communities of students, faculty, administration in the country and she was pleased and encouraged by this resolution which affirms our intent to be a welcoming and opening institution and space for all.

Student Trustee Buitron expressed her gratitude to the Board and the administration for taking this step and for supporting the love of education that our students have, regardless of their background.

Chair Middleton called for a motion to approve Resolution 1.05 with a roll call vote.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent
<Second> Vice Chair Gary Gardner

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor to the Board called the roll,

Clarisol Duque	Aye
Gary Gardner	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Student Trustee Buitron	Aye (advisory)
Charles R. Middleton	Aye

There were four ayes, zero nays, no abstentions or recusals.

Section 2 - Personnel

Chair Middleton requested review of [Personnel 2.00](#). Vice Chancellor Tomino presented the December Personnel Report. Chair Middleton called for any questions or comments regarding Personnel [2.00](#). Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve Personnel 2.00.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent
<Second> Vice Chair Gary Gardner

Motion Carried.

Section 3 - Resource Development

Chair Middleton called for review and discussion of [Resource Development 3.00](#). Executive Vice Chancellor Pernot reported on Resource Development 3.00. Chair Middleton asked for a motion to approve Resource Development 3.00.

<Motion> Vice Chair Gary Gardner
<Second> Trustee Karen Kent

Motion Carried.

Section 4 - Agreements

Chair Middleton reminded those in attendance that unless any Trustees wishes to consider any one of these items or more on a separate vote, we will review and discuss them all and then consider them all in a single roll call vote and have questions and discussions at the end.

Vice Chancellor Minor then presented items [4.00](#), [4.01](#), [4.02](#), [4.03](#), [4.04](#) and [4.05](#).

Hearing no questions, Chair Middleton asked Executive Vice Chancellor Lynnerup to report on agreement [4.06](#).

At the conclusion of EVC Lynnerup's report, Chair Middleton encouraged all Trustees to put the graduation ceremonies on their calendar for May 2017.

Next, Vice Chancellor Tomino provided a description of [4.07](#).

President Stevens concluded the presentation of agreements by discussing item [4.08](#).

Chair Middleton asked if any Board member had additional questions or would like to consider any agreement separately. Hearing no such requests, Chair Middleton called for a motion to approve items 4.00 through 4.08 with a roll call vote.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent

<Motion> Secretary Clarisol Duque

Motion Carried.

The Chief Advisor to the Board called the roll,

Clarisol Duque	Aye
Gary Gardner	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Student Trustee Buitron	Aye (advisory)
Charles R. Middleton	Aye

There were four ayes, zero nays and no abstentions or recusals.

Section 5 - Purchases

Chair Middleton asked Executive Vice Chancellor Lynnerup to report on item [5.00](#) in Purchases.

Section 6 - Legal Invoices

Chair Middleton asked for a review and discussion of [Legal Invoices 6.00](#). General Counsel Munin presented Legal Invoices 6.00.

Hearing no questions or comments, Chair Middleton asked for a motion to approve Legal Invoices 6.00.

<Motion> Vice Chair Gary Gardner
<Second> Trustee Karen Kent

Motion Carried.

X. MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Chair Middleton asked for a roll call vote to hold Closed Session at 10:11 a.m. for the discussion of exceptions 2(c)(5) “the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired”; and 2(c)(6) “the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body”, and 2(c)(11) litigation when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent
<Second> Secretary Clarisol Duque

Motion Carried.

The Chief Advisor to the Board called the roll,

Clarisol Duque	Aye
Gary Gardner	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Student Trustee Buitron	Aye (advisory)
Charles R. Middleton	Aye

There were four ayes, zero nays and no abstentions or recusals.

XI. RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session ended at 10:19 a.m. Upon the Board's return, the Chair reconvened the December 1, 2016 Board meeting and noted that no action was taken by the Board during Closed Session.

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Chair Middleton wished the gathered attendees a very good holiday season and encouraged everyone to visit the art sale at Harold Washington College. With that Chair Middleton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent
<Second> Vice Chair Gary Gardner

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

**Clarisol Duque
Secretary, Board of Trustees**

Submitted by – Tracey B. Fleming, Chief Advisor to the Board of Trustees