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**APPROVED–BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**

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

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021**

Pursuant to provisions of the Public Community College Act, as amended, of the State by Illinois, County of Cook, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508 was held in person and live-streamed for simultaneous public viewing on YouTube on July 13, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., Harold Washington College, 30 East Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601, Room 1115.

**PARTICIPANTS**

**TRUSTEES**

Elizabeth Swanson, Vice Chair  
Walter E. Massey, Chair  
Peggy A. Davis, Secretary  
Laritza Lopez  
Karen Kent  
Darrell A. Williams  
Imran Fazal Hoque, Student Trustee

**CHANCELLOR**

Juan Salgado

**PROVOST**

Mark Potter

**GENERAL COUNSEL**

Karla Mitchell Gowen

**CHIEF ADVISOR TO THE BOARD**

Bonnie Phillips

**OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT**

Rhonda Brown – Vice Chancellor, Institutional Advancement  
Christian Collins – Vice Chancellor, Institutional Effectiveness  
David Deyhle – Vice Chancellor, Strategic Marketing and  
Branding

Carol Dunning – Chief Talent Officer  
Veronica Herrero – Chief Strategy Officer  
Jerrold Martin – Chief Information Officer  
Jennifer Mason – Vice Chancellor, Legislative & Community  
Affairs

Maribel Rodriguez – Chief Financial Officer  
Sarah Lichtenstein Walter – Vice Chancellor Academic Programs

**COLLEGE PRESIDENTS**

Kimberly Hollingsworth – President, Olive-Harvey College  
Shawn Jackson – President, Harry S Truman College  
Janine Janosky – President, Richard J. Daley College  
Daniel Lopez – President, Harold Washington College  
David Potash – President, Wilbur Wright College  
David Sanders – President, Malcolm X College  
Gregory Thomas – President, Kennedy-King College

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Swanson brought to order the July 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Swanson asked the Chief Advisor to call the roll.

The Chief Advisor called roll:

Elizabeth Swanson	Present
Peggy A. Davis	Present
Karen Kent	Present
Laritza Lopez	Present
Deborah H. Telman	Present
Darrell A. Williams	Present
Imran Fazal Hoque	Present
Walter E. Massey	Present (Virtual)

Vice Chair Swanson confirmed that there is a quorum.

**III. WELCOME**

Welcome everyone to the first in-person meeting in over a year due to the pandemic and thank you President Lopez for hosting the meeting.

Chair Massey is participating by phone. This is allowable under our board bylaws, article 1.5-3, sections A-C, provided there is a quorum in the room. As the Chief Advisor has just noted we do have a quorum.

Vice Chair Swanson turned it over to Chair Massey for his remarks.

**IV. CHAIR MASSEY'S REMARKS**

Thank you, Vice Chair Swanson, for leading the meeting in my absence.

The pandemic has been different for each of us. There was loss and suffering.

However, we have persevered as a whole, and we have come out stronger. Certainly, CCC as an institution managed very well through this crisis. Great things are here. You have heard from our budget presentation, the work that the organization has done in putting together this budget to get started on their strategic goals.

McKenzie Scott gifted \$5 million to Kennedy King College, and on behalf of the board, we want to thank Mackenzie Scott and congratulate President Thomas and Kennedy King.

I had my first College visit at Daley College during the pandemic. I met with President Janosky along with Chief Advisor Phillips a couple of weeks ago. It was wonderful to be back on campus. We have been dealing with a great number of issues, but together we have weathered them going forward we will weather any issues we face in the future.

V. **OFFICIAL ELECTION**

Vice Chair Swanson requested to go out of the regular order of business to recognize Trustee Williams for a motion and to convene into closed session after public participation. She called on Trustee Williams for a motion.

Trustee Williams noted that Section 1.4-2 of the bylaws calls for an annual election to fill the office of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary.

Trustee Williams nominated Dr. Walter E. Massey to continue to serve as Board Chairperson, Peggy Davis to serve as Board Secretary, and Elizabeth Swanson to continue to serve as Vice Chairperson.

Trustee Kent seconded the nominations.

Upon no other nominations being brought before the board, Vice Chair Swanson declared nominations closed.

Trustee Williams moved for the approval of Resolution 1.02, To elect Officers of the Board of Trustees.

Chief Advisor Phillips called the roll.

Elizabeth Swanson	Aye
Peggy A. Davis	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Laritza Lopez	Aye
Darrell A. Williams	Aye
Imran Fazal Hoque	Aye (Advisory)
Walter E. Massey	Aye

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

Resolution 1.02, To elect Officers of the Board of Trustees was approved.

**STUDENT TRUSTEE REMARKS**

Student Trustee Fazal Hoque gave brief remarks about Summer District Initiatives.

VI. **CHANCELLOR'S UPDATES**

Earlier today, CFO Rodriguez reviewed the FY22 budget, which the board will

consider today. The budget represents a year during which we will recover, like the rest of the world, from the global pandemic. It also reflects our commitment to implementing our strategic, equity, and enrollment management plans. In the coming year through this investment, we'll continue to support our students and communities just as we've done during the pandemic. We're going to work vigilantly towards our vision of being the city's engine of racial socio-economic mobility and racial activity.

Our budget's balanced as was presented, and we recognize the economic strain of the pandemic on our students and their families, so the FY 22 budget holds our credit hour rate of \$146 dollars level for the sixth straight year. I want to point out that we don't want to review institutions of higher education in the state of Illinois. Through this budget we're going to make investments as we've been making investments in the plan. This fall, we're also going to be offering learning options in person, on our campuses, and increasingly online.

We're going to further the work of our Chicago Roadmap and our unprecedented partnerships with the Chicago Public Schools to support our students on their path to and through college. We're going to restore athletics after a pause during covid 19. We're going to invest in marketing and enrollment infrastructure to track and retain a diverse student body. We know that enrollment suffered severe declines during the pandemic. We're going to work really hard to bring those students back to our campuses. This budget also includes a modest capital program on mainly technology but also some in-demand programs for maintenance and safety infrastructure.

Thank you, CFO Rodriguez, Deputy CFO Wong, Presidents, the members of the city college team, and all who contributed to the project process. Thank you to the labor and management bargaining teams who have been working on a contract with our agile faculty. We are delighted to report City Colleges has reached an attendance agreement with Clock and look forward to its ratification in the coming days.

As you know the city of Chicago and the state of Illinois are in Phase 5. Vaccination continues to be our best protection from the virus. Thank you all those who have been vaccinated and I encourage anyone who has not to do so. City Colleges has contributed to vaccination efforts. We had centers at colleges throughout the pandemic, and some of them have been closed now but rest assured that we will continue to have vaccination efforts on our campuses throughout as long as there's a person that wants the vaccination.

Our plans for this fall will provide more options for students than ever before through in-person, online live, traditional online courses. We'll have in-person student and virtual student services and adult education have more options. Coming out of the pandemic our students will have more tools in order to manage their busy and sometimes complex lives. We are very proud of the tools that have been developed and very thankful.

Thank you and welcome to those faculty and staff that are coming back to campus. Many were already on-campus during the pandemic. Many of our faculty and staff were coming in as well for various reasons, but now we're at a different phase in the

state of Illinois and the city of Chicago. We're delighted that we can now provide those greater options for our students, so rest assured that throughout this pandemic we have consistently followed the Chicago Department of Public Health guidelines, we will continue to do so. And we thank CDPH for their guidance and support. They have been tremendous throughout this pandemic at every turn, at every question, at every point where we needed guidance, they have provided. City Colleges wants to extend a great deal of gratitude to folks over at CDPH for their partnership and their support. We're in the run-up to the start of the fall session. The deadline for our fall 16-month classes is August 26th and we're eagerly waiting on that moment that we will be starting classes again here. Bolstered by the resources outlined in our budget. we're going to make city colleges stronger and more responsive to our communities.

**VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were nine (9) requests for public participation.

- (1) Melanie Allison  
Building Safety
- (2) Dr. Howard Earlman  
How to Protect Chicago (Inadequate & Dangerous Policies)
- (3) Sonia Flores  
Support to Sustain Communities
- (4) George Rambanus  
Adult Education
- (5) Tony Johnston  
Safe Return to Work
- (6) Jennifer Carmen  
N/A
- (7) Audrey Butler  
Health & Safety Concerns for Local 1708 Members
- (8) Annette Ward  
Basic Needs for 1708 Members
- (9) Fran Tobin  
N/A

**VIII. MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

Vice Chair Swanson initiated a Closed Session.

Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, today's closed session will be for the discussion of matters related to 2c1, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal

counsel for the public body. 2c2, collective negotiation matters between the public audience employees or their representatives for deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 2c11, 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.

Vice Chair Swanson asked for a roll call vote.

<Motion> Trustee Karen Kent  
<Second> Secretary Peggy A. Davis

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor called the roll,

Elizabeth Swanson	Aye
Peggy A. Davis	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Laritza Lopez	Aye
Darrell A. Williams	Aye
Imran Fazal Hoque	Aye (Advisory)
Walter E. Massey	Aye

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

**IX. RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session ended 3:36 p.m. Upon the Board's return, the Chair reconvened the July 13, 2021, board meeting and noted that no action was taken by the board during Closed Session that required action in Open Session.

**X. FACULTY COUNCIL REPORT**

No Faculty Council Report was presented.

**XI. DISTRICT UPDATES**

No District Updates were presented.

**XII. COMMITTEE REPORT**

Trustee Williams gave the Committee Report.

Earlier this afternoon the Finance and Administration Services Committee met. The primary presentation and topic of discussion was the proposed fiscal year 2022 budget for the City Colleges of Chicago. Today's presentation capped a series of steps taken for the purpose of making this year's budget known to the public, including the publishing of the budget, schedule, and timeline in the Chicago Sun-Times. Posting the proposed budget online and hosting a virtual public hearing which is archived on our YouTube site. During the meeting, Chief Financial Officer Rodriguez gave an overview on city colleges of Chicago's fiscal year 2022, \$509 million-dollar annual budget. CFO Rodriguez reviewed how higher education emergency relief funding, or HER funds were utilized across the district at the colleges. The fiscal year 2022 budget represents a year of recovery and strategic focus as city colleges begin to emerge from the pandemic and execute on its new strategic plans, equity plans, and strategic enrollment management plans. Overall, it was an extremely informative update and discussion. We want to acknowledge and thank CFO Rodriguez and the finance team for their ongoing work. The committee also reviewed the resolutions, personnel report, resource development report, agreements, purchases, and legal invoices contained in the July regular board packet that is being brought before the board today for final action.

**XIII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE JULY 13, 2021, REGULAR BOARD MEETING PACKET**

Vice Chair Swanson led the board in the approval of the minutes, resolutions, personnel report, resource development report, agreements, purchases, and legal invoices listed in the Consent Agenda. The Vice Chair asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

<Motion> Secretary Peggy A. Davis

<Second> Trustee Darrell A. Williams

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor called the roll,

Elizabeth Swanson	Aye
Peggy A. Davis	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Laritza Lopez	Aye
Darrell A. Williams	Aye
Imran Fazal Hoque	Aye (Advisory)
Walter E. Massey	Aye

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

Trustee Davis asked for separate action on item 3.00, Resource Development Report.

Vice Chair Swanson asked for a roll call to approve Item 3.00.

Elizabeth Swanson	Abstained
Peggy A. Davis	Aye
Karen Kent	Aye
Laritza Lopez	Aye
Darrell A. Williams	Aye
Imran Fazal Hoque	Aye (Advisory)
Walter E. Massey	Aye

There were six ayes, zero nays, and 1 abstention or recusal.

**XIV. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Upon concluding that there was no further business to come before the Board, the Vice Chair asked for a motion to adjourn.

<Motion> Trustee Laritza Lopez  
<Second> Secretary Peggy A. Davis

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

**Peggy A. Davis**  
**Secretary**  
**Board of Trustees**

**Submitted by – Avery Walls, Assistant Board Liaison**