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Eaculty Council Report Thursday, August 1st, 2024

Pre-address Remarks: Thank you to Senior Assistant Board Liaison Emma Mims and Chief Advisor Bonnie Phillips for their continued high-level operations that ensure the board reports are accessible to the CCC community and the city of Chicago that we feel grateful to serve.

FC4 President's Address for CCC Board of Trustees Meeting:

Chairperson Nuques, Board of Trustees, Chancellor Salgado, Provost Potter, Student Trustee David Ramirez, officers of the district, faculty, staff, students, community members, and beyond, greetings:

To reiterate from the last two board reports, FC4 is technically off-contract during the summer. However, we do not want to leave the board with nothing to muse over in the summer. Below is another instance of the board being posed with a series of questions from FC4 that we hope are seeds for sustainable change at CCC.

On Thursday, July 25, the current Vice President of the United States, Kamala Harris, spoke at the American Federation of Teachers Convention in Houston. She posed an essential question that a person of any positionality and political alignment might ask themselves, "What kind of country do we want to live in?" Scaling that question down to fit the shape of City Colleges of Chicago, we pose this question to all CCC stakeholders, "What kind of institution do we want to learn and be compassionate stewards of community in? How might we need to evolve our ways of knowing and being in community with one another?" As the new academic year approaches, we look forward to continuing to honor continuous improvement at CCC via holistic wraparound services as well as pluralistic community growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Viggy Alexandersson on behalf of the Faculty Council of City Colleges of Chicago