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**APPROVED-BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**OCTOBER 3, 2024**

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

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024**

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 August 1, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., Harold Washington College, 30 East Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601, Room 1115.

**PARTICIPANTS**

**TRUSTEES**

Katya Nuques, Board Chair  
Peggy A. Davis, Secretary  
Elizabeth Swanson, Vice Chair  
Marshall E. Hatch Sr. (Virtual)  
Darlene Hightower  
Oscar Sanchez  
David Ramirez, Student Trustee

**CHANCELLOR**

Juan Salgado

**PROVOST**

Mark Potter

**GENERAL COUNSEL**

Karla Gowen

**CHIEF ADVISOR TO THE BOARD**

Bonnie Phillips

**SENIOR ASSISTANT BOARD LIAISON**

Emma Mims

**ASSISTANT BOARD LIAISON**

Avery Walls

**OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT**

David Deyhle – Vice Chancellor, Strategic Marketing and Branding  
Carol Dunning – Chief Talent Officer  
Veronica Herrero – Chief Strategy Officer  
Jay Agarwal - Chief Information Officer  
Maribel Rodriguez – Chief Financial Officer  
Aarti Dhupelia – Executive Vice Chancellor/ Chief Student Experience Officer  
Peggy Korellis - Vice Chancellor, High School Strategy  
Darryl Williams - Vice Chancellor, Enrollment Management  
Stacia Edwards – Deputy Provost  
Sarah Lichtenstein Walter - Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Programs  
Christopher Jensen – Associate General Counsel

**COLLEGE PRESIDENTS**

Brandon Nichols – Vice President, Olive-Harvey College  
Gail Gordon-Allen – President, Harry S Truman College  
Janine Janosky – President, Richard J. Daley College  
Daniel Lopez – President, Harold Washington College  
Andres Oroz – President, Wilbur Wright College  
Katonja Webb Walker – President, Kennedy-King College  
David Sanders – President, Malcolm X College

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Nuques began by calling to order the August 1, 2024, Regular Board Meeting at 2:02 p.m. All attendees stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Chair Nuques asked the Chief Advisor to call the roll.

The Chief Advisor called roll:

Elizabeth Swanson	Present
Katya Nuques	Present
Peggy A. Davis	Present
*Marshall E. Hatch Sr.	Present
Oscar Sanchez	Present
Darlene Hightower	Present
David Ramirez (Student)	Present

\*Virtual

Quorum confirmed.

**III. WELCOME**

Chair Nuques welcomed everyone to the August 1, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and thanked President Lopez for hosting.

As we begin the month of August, let's all enjoy the more than hot but beautiful days of summer, and before we get fully underway, for the record Vice-Chair Hatch will be participating by phone today. This is allowable under our board bylaws article 1.5.3 sections A through C provided there is Quorum in the room. As the Chief Advisor has noted we do have Quorum. Also, for the record, the FC4 president will not be attending the meeting today. However, the report will be entered into the record. We would like to acknowledge and congratulate Chancellor Salado and our financial team on the increase of our bond rating from A+ AA-. It is great to see the excellent partnership between the CCC and CPS in regards to the Chicago road map. We had an excellent presentation. Job well done.

**IV. STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT**

Student Trustee Ramirez gave remarks on the District. The full report can be found below:

[SGA Report](#)

**V. CHANCELLORS UPDATE**

It is August and officially “Back to School Month”. City College students will begin classes as early as August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our colleges are in the thick of registration. Please be mindful that peak registration is underway and lend a hand if you can.

During today’s committee meeting, we had a presentation from VC of High School Partnerships, Peggy Korellis, and the Chicago Roadmap Team. The roadmap is our nationally recognized model for K-12 – community partnership with the Chicago Public Schools. I am so proud of the tremendous work being done through the Roadmap program across all levels of our organization. It is marvelous to see how our faculty and staff are collaborating with their CPS counterparts which is key to making this relationship successful.

There were numerous highlights the team shared during the presentation.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Through our transitional English courses, we have increased those students who are eligible for college-level English by 13 percentage points and by 19 percentage points for Black students.
- Through our transitional math courses, we increased the CPS students eligible for college-level math by 16 percentage points, and by 22 percentage points for Black students.
- In both cases – our transitional students are retaining at higher rates than students placed in developmental education with fall to fall retention up 12 percent for transitional English students and up 25 percent for transitional math students.
- We also continue to see our early college students grow. The number of CPS students taking free dual enrollment or dual credit courses for college credit while in high school is up 22 percent year over year.

This work is truly making an impact on students’ lives.

We began the week with some other fantastic news.

CFO Rodriguez informed us that Fitch Ratings increased the rating on our G-O bonds from A+ TO AA- with a stable outlook. This increase is a reflection on our successful work to eliminate a structural deficit, return to strong cash reserves, and increase enrollment bolstered by our in-demand educational programs and critical student supports.

We have had great strides in partnerships this summer.

Chancellor Salgado had the opportunity to represent City Colleges at the Governor and Mayor’s announcement last Thursday about making Chicago and Illinois a leader in quantum technology. City Colleges has been chosen by the state to play an important role as a workforce development partner in quantum.

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were (8) requests for public participation.

1. William Scott – Student Debate before the election
2. Teresa Peterson – Wilbur Wright Student Adult Education
3. Jantae Spencer – Wilbur Wright Adult Education
4. Francisco Javier Salas – Adult Education
5. Kenneth Harris – Union Local 3506 Representative
6. George Roumbanis – Adult Education
7. Carlos Aulet – Adult Education
8. Elizabeth Ottaviani – Tier Pay for Adult Educators

**VII. FACULTY COUNCIL REPORT**

No Faculty Council Report was presented. The report will be entered into record and can be found below:

[Faculty Council Report](#)

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair Swanson gave the Committee Report.

At the committee meeting this morning there was a presentation on the Chicago Road Map. CPS and CCC along with the city of Chicago have partnered to break down institutional silos and help students move to and through college into careers. The goal is to ensure that all students regardless of where they live have the same opportunities to get to and through college paving the way for economic success. It was really an incredible presentation and just again kudos to the team and all the colleges involved. We also went on and reviewed the minutes, resolutions, personnel items, resource development report, agreements, purchases, and legal invoices included on today's Academic Affairs and Student Services agenda as a part of the consent agenda of this August 1st, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

**IX. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 1, 2024 REGULAR BOARD MEETING PACKET**

Chair Nuques 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 Chair asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

<Motion> Trustee Peggy A. Davis  
<Second> Trustee Elizabeth Swanson

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor called the roll:

Peggy A. Davis

Aye

Katya Nuques	Aye
*Marshall E. Hatch Sr.	Aye
Elizabeth Swanson	Aye
Darlene Hightower	Aye
Oscar Sanchez	Aye
David Ramirez	Aye

\*Virtual

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

**X. MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, Chair Nuques asked for a roll call vote to hold Closed Session at 3:13 p.m. for the discussion of exceptions: 2c(1), the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. 2c(2), collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 2c(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.

The Chair asked for a motion to go to Closed Session.

<Motion> Trustee Elizabeth Swanson  
<Second> Trustee Peggy A. Davis

Motion carried.

The Chief Advisor called the roll:

Peggy A. Davis	Aye
Elizabeth Swanson	Aye
Katya Nuques	Aye
Marshall E. Hatch Sr.	Aye (Virtual)
Darlene Hightower	Aye
Oscar Sanchez	Aye
David Ramirez	Aye

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

**XI. RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session ended at 3:51 p.m. Upon the Board's return, the Chair reconvened the August 1, 2024, board meeting and noted that no action was taken by the board during

Closed Session that required action in Open Session.

**XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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

<Motion> Trustee Oscar Sanchez

<Second> Trustee Elizabeth Swanson

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

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

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