

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

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS & STUDENT SERVICES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2026

ARTURO VELASQUEZ INSTITUTE
FLOOR 1 – CONFERENCE CENTER
2800 S. WESTERN AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60608

Pursuant to provisions of the Illinois Public Community College Act, as amended by the State of Illinois, County of Cook, a meeting of the Committee on Academic Affairs & Student Services of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508 was held on Thursday, September 3, 2026, at 12:30 p.m., Arturo Velasquez Institute, Floor 1, Conference Room, 2800 S. Western Ave. Chicago, IL 60608.

ATTENDEES

TRUSTEES

Katya Nuques, Board Chair
Marshall E. Hatch, Sr., Vice Chair
Princella “Jaribu” Lee, Secretary
Fernando Diaz
Damian Wright (Student)

CHANCELLOR

Juan Salgado

PROVOST AND CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER

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

Travaris Harris — Deputy Provost
Jeffrey Wong — Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Arleta Porter — Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Carol Dunning — Chief Talent Officer
David Anthony — VC, Administrative Services
Veronica Herrero — EVC, Chief Institutional Advancement Officer
Jacquelyn Werner — Chief Student Experience Officer
Will Barefield — VC, Student Enrollment Management
Angela Arrington Jones — VC, Business and Procurement Services
David Deyhle — VC, Institutional Branding & Strategic Marketing
Greg Williams — Executive Director, IT Service Delivery & Academic Technology
Katheryn Hayes — Associate Vice Chancellor-Strategic Communications & Operations
Lonnie Washington — Executive Director, IT Business Enterprise Systems
Brittany Jackson Kairis — VC, Strategy & Planning
Sarah Litchensen Walter — VC, Academic Programs

PRESIDENTS

Kimberly Hollingsworth — President, Olive Harvey College
Shawn L. Jackson — President, Harry S Truman College
Andres Oroz — President, Wilbur Wright College
Katonja Webb Walker — President, Kennedy-King College
David Sanders — President, Malcolm X College
Issac Zuniga — President, Richard Daley College

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Hatch called the September 3, 2026 meeting of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Services to order at 12:33 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

The Chief Advisor called roll:

Katya Nuques	Present
Marshall E. Hatch, Sr.	Present
Oscar Sanchez	Absent
Princella “Jaribu” Lee	Present
Darlene Hightower	Absent
Kafi Moragne-Patterson	Absent
Fernando Diaz	Present
Damian Wright (Student)*	Present

*Arrived at 12:36 p.m.

Quorum Confirmed.

III. WELCOME

Vice Chair Hatch convened the September 3, 2026 meeting of the Committee on Academic Affairs & Student Services and welcomed those in attendance. Vice Chair Hatch thanked President Zuniga for hosting the meeting and acknowledged the Trustees in attendance.

Vice Chair Hatch called on Provost Potter for remarks.

IV. PROVOST REMARKS

City Colleges is now two weeks into the fall semester. Our regular 16-week courses are in full swing, and in just two and a half weeks, our 12-week mini courses will start. Among notable milestones at the beginning of this new academic year, Wilbur Wright College has now officially launched its AI and Machine Learning advanced certificate and degree programs for students interested in pursuing careers in the technical side of AI technologies. This program launch marks an important step in City Colleges’ ongoing efforts to provide up-to-date, relevant educational opportunities.

V. REVIEW OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 BOARD REPORTS

Vice Chair Hatch initiated the review of the September 3, 2026 board reports.

Deputy CFO Wong reviewed Resolution 1.00; Deputy CSEO Werner reviewed Resolution 1.01. Provost Potter reviewed Resolutions 1.02 – 1.07.

Trustee Lee wanted to confirm if the basic certificate and advanced certificate in community leadership is being added to two additional colleges, making it three colleges that will offer the programs in Resolution 1.03. Provost Potter said “that’s correct”.

President Sanders reviewed Resolutions 1.08 - 1.09.

Vice Chair Hatch commented that the Congressman was pleased with the action and, in light of his upcoming retirement after 46 years of public service, stated that it would serve as a fitting tribute on behalf of the Board and be welcomed on the West Side.

President Jackson reviewed Resolution 1.10.

CTO Dunning reviewed Item 2.00 The Personnel Report.

EVC Herrero reviewed Item 3.00 The Resource Development Report.

Trustee Lee expressed that the details regarding the resource development report were phenomenal. The Chancellor added that a more formal presentation on the Foundation’s momentum would be provided to the Board of Trustees. He noted that, while the Foundation operates under its own board, with representation by Trustee Hightower, the District would like to institute an annual report from the Foundation to the Board of Trustees, beginning this fall.

Executive Director Washington reviewed Agreements 4.00 – 4.04.

Trustee Lee asked whether the additional Oracle licenses included a sufficient cushion for continued enrollment growth or whether additional licenses could be needed again in the near future. Executive Director Washington explained that CCC is required to report its database records to Oracle annually following the spring term and address any increase above its contracted license threshold. He noted that the current license count included a 10% allowance for year-over-year growth, which CCC unexpectedly exceeded. Executive Director Washington added that, with the current agreement ending June 30, 2027, the District plans to renegotiate the terms to account for anticipated enrollment growth and provide an appropriate cushion going forward.

Provost Potter reviewed Agreements 4.05 – 4.06. President Webb Walker reviewed Agreement 4.07; President Hollingsworth reviewed Agreement 4.08. President Jackson reviewed Agreement 4.09; Deputy Wong reviewed Agreement 4.10. VC Anthony reviewed Agreements 4.11 – 4.17.

Trustee Lee requested additional information regarding the solar photovoltaic array at Olive-Harvey College. Vice Chancellor Anthony explained that Community Power Group recently completed construction of the solar array, which is owned by the

company and located on college property. He stated that the array supplies a portion of the College's electricity, reducing the amount purchased from ComEd, and that the district pays approximately one cent per kilowatt-hour for the solar-generated electricity compared to approximately nine to ten cents per kilowatt-hour from the utility. Vice Chancellor Anthony added that the amendment establishes the final 15-year term of the agreement based on the array's June 12, 2026, operational date.

VC Anthony reviewed Purchase 5.00.

General Counsel Gowen reviewed Item 6.00 The Payment of Legal Invoices.

Vice Chair Hatch inquired about the low number of African American companies reflected in the contracting summary and asked about the timeframe covered by the report. The Chancellor explained that Procurement provides an annual report detailing contracting participation across communities. Vice Chancellor Arrington-Jones clarified that the information presented in the current Board Report reflects September activity only, while the annual report submitted to the State provides contracting and subcontracting participation by ethnicity for the entire fiscal year.

The Chancellor emphasized that reviewing a single month does not provide a complete picture of contracting participation and noted that the annual report provides a more comprehensive view. He further explained that a significant portion of the district's construction spending is administered through the Public Building Commission and therefore is not reflected in the district's report. The Chancellor requested that supplemental information be provided regarding participation in those capital projects associated with City Colleges of Chicago.

Trustee Lee asked whether the projects were District-wide or associated with specific campuses in Purchase 5.00. Vice Chancellor Anthony clarified that each project is associated with a specific campus, while the report itself is District-wide. He explained that the abbreviations listed next to each project identify the respective campus, such as KK for Kennedy-King College and AV for Arturo Velasquez Institute.

VI. MOTION TO DISCHARGE THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 BOARD PACKET

Vice Chair Hatch requested a motion to discharge the September 3, 2026 minutes, resolutions, personnel report, resource development report, agreements, purchases and legal invoices included on the committee agenda to the September 3, 2026 Regular Board Meeting as part of the consent agenda.

<Motion> Trustee Princella Lee

<Second> Trustee Fernando Diaz

Motion carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon concluding that there was no further business to be brought before the committee, Vice Chair Hatch asked for a motion to adjourn.

<Motion> Trustee Katya Nuques

<Second> Trustee Princella Lee

Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned 1:21 p.m.

**Princella “Jaribu” Lee
Secretary
Board of Trustees**

Submitted by – Avery Walls, Assistant Board Liaison