

MORTON COLLEGE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 527

COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting

Wednesday

January 21, 2016

1.0

Convening the Meeting:

1.1

Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Illinois Community College District No. 527 was called to order by Board Chair Anthony Martinucci at 5:01 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2016 in the Morton College Board Room (221-B).

1.2

Roll Call:

Present: Frank J. Aguilar, Secretary
Susan L. Banks, Trustee
Joseph J. Belcaster, Trustee
Jose A. Collazo, Trustee
Melissa Cundari, Vice Chair
Anthony Martinucci, Chair
Frances F. Reitz, Trustee
Alejandra Murillo, Advisory-Voting Student Member

Absent: None

Also Present: Muddassir Siddiqi, Interim President
Michael Del Galdo Attorney – Del Galdo Law Group, LLC

2.0

Consent and Information Agenda:

Items identified by an asterisk on the Agenda have been placed on the Consent Agenda:

Item 3.1 — Minutes of Regular Meeting held December 16, 2015

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

3.0
Approval of Minutes
of Previous Meeting(s):

3.1
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held December 16, 2015:

Approved by consent — see Agenda Item 2.0.

3.2
Minutes of the Closed Session
Held December 16, 2015:

Trustee Reitz moved to approve the Minutes of the Closed Session held December 16, 2015 as submitted. Trustee Cundari seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

4.0
Citizen Comments:

Dyana Berndt, community resident and parent of student at District 100 addressed the Board. She strongly urged the College Board not to approve hiring of Dr. Fields as President of Morton College.

5.0
Old Business:

There was none.

6.0
Commendations/Recognitions:

There were none.

7.0
Reports:

7.1
ICCTA/ACCT:

Trustee Aguilar stated that there was no report.

7.2
Student Member:

Advisory Voting Student Member Murillo gave the monthly report of student programs and activities.

7.3
Friends of Morton College
Foundation:

Chair Martinucci stated that this report is submitted for information purposes only.

8.0
Finance and Business Matters:

8.1
Approval of Accounts Payable,

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve and ratify the Accounts Payable and Payrolls in the amount of \$3,438,765 and Budget

Payrolls, Expenditure Transfers,

Transfers in the amount of \$0 for the month of November 2015 as submitted. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

8.2
Monthly Financial Report:

Trustee Belcaster moved to accept and file for audit the Monthly Financial Report for fiscal year to date ending November 2015 as submitted. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

8.3
Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Belcaster moved to accept and file for audit the Monthly Treasurer's Report for November 2015 as submitted. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

8.4
Authorization to Purchase
and Awarding of Contracts:

There were none.

9.0
Personnel Matters:

9.1
Full-Time Faculty Seniority List:

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve the Full-Time Faculty Seniority List as submitted. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

9.2
Adjunct Faculty Assignment/
Employment Report:

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve the Adjunct Faculty Assignment/Employment Report for Spring 2016 as submitted. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

Information Only Reports:

The Board received the following Information Only Report as submitted:

A. Resignation Report:

Shawn Crawl, Grant Accountant, January 22, 2016
Yaritza De la Torre, Student Success Aide, December 18, 2015

B. Part-Time Classified Staff Employment Report:

Faviola Anaya, Student Success Aide, January 19, 2016
Jacqueline Monrroy, Service Aide-Admissions & Records, January 19, 2016

10.0

Resolutions and Approvals:

10.1

Employment Agreement/
President of Morton College:

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve an Employment Agreement of Dr. Stanley Fields for the Position of President of Morton College. This action item will approve a 4 year contract with Dr. Stanley Fields for President of Morton College. The contract's early termination/buy out clause is consistent with State statute, 1 year, and it is for an annual salary of \$223,000 per year. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Nay.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

10.2

Employment Agreement/
Provost of Morton College:

Trustee Belcaster moved to approve an Employment Agreement with Dr. Muddassir Siddiqi for the Position of Provost of Morton College. This action item will approve a contract with Dr. Muddassir Siddiqi for Provost of the College through June 30, 2017 for an annual salary of \$173,156. The contract also provides for a \$3,500 longevity stipend payable on July 1, 2016 and a \$4,500 longevity stipend payable on January 22, 2017. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Order of Preference (o.p.):

- 10.8
Closed Session:
- 10.9
Other Possible Action Subsequent
to Discussion in Closed Session:
- 11.0
Correspondence:
- 12.0
President's Report:
- 12.1
Campus Update:
- 12.2
Informational Items/Articles:
- 12.3
Out-of-State Travel Report:
- 12.4
Community Facilities
Usage Report:
- 10.3
Closed Session:
- Recess:
- Reconvening:
- Chair Martinucci announced that Agenda Item 10.3 Closed Session, and Agenda Item 10.4, Other Possible Action Subsequent to Discussion in Closed Session, would be taken up following 12.0, President's Report.
- There was none.
- Dr. Siddiqi reported on the following campus updates:
- Spring 2016 Semester Enrollment
 - State Budget Status
- Dr. Siddiqi reported that the following informational pieces are included in the Board Packet:
- NJCAA Sportsmanship Award
- The Board received the Out-of-State Travel Report as submitted.
- The Board received the monthly Community Facilities Usage Report as submitted.
- Trustee Belcaster moved to approve a recess to Closed Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of Morton College and to consider probable or imminent litigation matters pursuant to Chapter 5 of the *Illinois Compiled Statutes* Section 120/2 (c) (1) and (11) respectively. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.
- All were in favor. (voice vote) Absent: None. Motion carried.
- The Board recessed to the Office of the President for Closed Session at 5:15 p.m.
- The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 5:52 p.m. by Chair Martinucci. Upon roll call, the following were found present: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari, Martinucci, and Reitz, and Advisory-Voting Student Member Murillo. Absent: None.

10.9
~~Other Possible~~ Action Subsequent
to Discussion in Closed Session
Settlement Denial:
(Added 1/21/16)

Trustee Cundari made a motion to deny in total, the settlement demand discussed in closed session. Trustee Belcaster seconded the motion.

Advisory Vote – Student Member Murillo: Aye.

Ayes: Trustees Aguilar, Banks, Belcaster, Collazo, Cundari Martinucci, and Reitz. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

13.0
Board Member Comments:

There were none.

14.0
Adjournment:

Trustee Belcaster moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board. Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

All were in favor. (voice vote) Absent: None. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

/s/ Anthony R. Martinucci, Board Chair

/s/ Frank J. Aguilar, Board Secretary