



MORTON COLLEGE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 527 COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS Minutes for the Regular Meeting Wednesday, January 27, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Morton College was held Wednesday, January 27, 2021, beginning at 11:00 AM in the form of a teleconference call.

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 Frances F. Reitz, at 11:09 AM in the form of a teleconference call.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present:

Fran Reitz, Trustee
Anthony Martinucci, Trustee
Jose Collazo, Trustee
Susan Banks, Trustee
Joseph Belcaster, Trustee
Susan Grazzini, Trustee

Absent:

Oscar Montiel, Trustee
Student Member, Andy Avalos

Also Present:

Dr. Stan Fields, President
Michael Delgado, Attorney, Del Galdo Law Group, LL

4. Citizen Comments

None

5. Reports

5.1. ICCTA – ACCT

None

6. President's Report

6.1. Strategic Plan

Dr. Lydia Falbo gave a presentation on Nursing and Health Science. Some of the critical points she talked about were Potential Enrollment Timeline, Tuition/Fees Increase, Student Financial Aid, Revenue, Associated Expenses. Lydia also spoke about the 2-year Program Retention Rates 2020. She stated that about 90% of students starting the Nursing Program finish within two years.

Trustee Grazzini asked to update the Nurse Board Exam Pass Rate's on the website because they are different from the presentation numbers. Grazzini commented that the national pass rates are 84%. She talked about Morton's excellent reputation as a Nursing School. She stated her interest in making sure that the program is doing what is supposed to help the students who go into the program. She asked if the tuition increase will be detrimental for the student community that Morton serves. Grazzini stated that she wants to make sure the increase in the tuition rates will not be a hardship for the students and prevent them from getting educated.

Chair Fran Reitz suggested that Trustees Grazzini, Banks, and Lydia create a sub committee and meet before the February Board meeting to discuss the proposed nursing tuition rate increase further more and bring data to share on the February Board meeting.

6.2. Strategic Enrollment Plan

Marisol Velazquez commented on some initiatives implemented by her department to help students experiencing challenges with the new online instruction. The Laptop Program, 400 devices, has been distributed to students to support the remote learning currently implemented due to the pandemic. The Forgiveness Fee Program has help students to register for the Spring semester.

6.3. Institutional Advancement

Irina Cline presented an update on the following programs. Commercial Driver's Program, classes begin February 1, 2021, 16 students are currently enrolled. Career Training Programs approved courses are, BCS Medical and Coding, CCA Medial Billing and Coding, Certified Bookkeeper, CPC Medical Billing and Coding, Freight Boker/Agent Training, Full Stack Software Developer, Human Resources Professional and Web Design Professional.

6.4. Capital Improvements

Joe Florio expressed his gratiture to his team for all their hard work on the gym bleachers and the help on the theater renovation. The team did a great job and had help saved funds on the renovations projects.

6.5. Higher Learning Commission (HLC)

Dr. Keith McLaughling mentioned that we would establish a schedule for Board training in preparation for the Foucused Visit in September. There was discussion of appointing a subcommittee of the Board to work with him on HLC issues.

6.6. Finance Review

Mireya Perez, CFO/Treasurer, presented a financial review of the funds. BKL, LLP Auditors presented a report on the Comprehensive Annual Report for fiscal year 2020.

7. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda-Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Board.

Trustee Grazzini made a motion to establish the Consent Agenda which includes Agenda items 7.1 to 7.21.2, as listed below.

Trustee Belcaster seconded the motion.

Ayes: Trustees, Reitz, Martinucci, Collazo, Banks, Belcaster, Grazzini.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Grazzini made a motion to approve the items in the Consent Agenda, which includes agenda items 7.1 to 7.21.2, as listed below

Trustee Belcaster seconded the motion.

Ayes: Trustees, Reitz, Martinucci, Collazo, Banks, Belcaster, Grazzini.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

7.1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 16, 2020.

7.2. Approval and Ratification of Accounts Payable and Payroll, in the amount of \$3,207,112.00 and Budget Transfers in the amount of \$107,442.00, as submitted.

7.3. Approval of the Monthly Budget Report for fiscal year to date ending in December 2020 to be received and approved, as submitted.

7.4. Approval of the Monthly Treasurer's Report for December 2020 to be received and filed for audit, as submitted.

7.5. Approval of the continued Government Finance Officers Association annual membership for fy21, in the amount of \$500.00, as submitted.

7.6. Approval of a resolution adopting an Affiliation Agreement between Morton Community College District 527, and Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation d/b/a Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital.

7.7. Approval of the resolution adopting an Affiliation Agreement between Morton Community College 527. and Blessing Corporate Service, INC.

7.8. Acceptance of the comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fy20 and the accompanying communication prepared by BKD, LLP Auditors.

7.9. Approval of the credit from the change order for the Toilet Room Upgrade Phase 3 by All Masonry Construction Company, in the amount of \$30,343.23, as submitted.

7.10. Approval of the purchase of Maxient software to use college-wide for the student appeals, student conduct process, and Title IX matters for five years, in the amount of \$37,000.00, as submitted.

7.11. Approval of the Morton College Full-Time Faculty Seniority list, as submitted.

7.12. Approval of a lane change, new salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, (CBA), for Bryant Manning, English Faculty, effective January 19, 2021, in the amount of \$61,692.00, as submitted.

7.13. Approval of a lane change, new salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, (CBA), for Cara Bonick, Nursing Faculty, effective January 19, 2021, in the amount of \$61,069.00, as submitted.

7.14. Approval of the Out of State Athletic Travel for the Women's Basketball Team to play two non-conference basketball games in Fort Myers and Fort Lauderdale, Florida from February 24, 2021 - March 1, 2021, with the approximate cost of \$12,912.00, as submitted.

7.15. Approval of disposition of obsolete and worn-out equipment, per the list submitted, and the disposal of the obsolete vehicle, Ford Crown Victoria 2011 squad car, Vin# 2FABP7BV4BX104409, due to excessive repairs needed.

7.16. Approval of Part-Time Employment

7.16.1. Ximena Pineda, Temporary Health Screener, \$15/hour, effective January 6, 2021.

7.16.2. Ilse Rodriguez, Temporary Health Screener, \$15/hour, effective January 6, 2021.

7.16.3. Maria Jimenez, Temporary Health Screener, \$15/hour, effective January 6, 2021.

7.16.4. Maricela Sanchez, Temporary Health Screener, \$15/hour, effective January 7, 2021.

7.16.5. Alejandra Melero, Temporary Health Screener, \$15/hour, effective January 11, 2021.

7.16.6. Matthew Beck, Woodwind Adjunct Faculty, effective January 14, 2021.

7.16.7. Alexa Herrera, Student Aide for Dean of Student Services Department, effective January 28, 2021.

7.16.8. Ermindia Ruano-Corral, Career Technical Education Department Adjunct Faculty, effective January 14, 2021.

7.16.9. Amy Elson, Adult, and Career Technical Education Department Adjunct Faculty, effective January 14, 2021.

7.17. Layoff Report, as submitted.

7.18. Approval of Updated Job Descriptions

7.18.1. Athletic Director

7.18.2. Assistant Athletic Director

7.18.3. Associate Dean of Learning Resources and Performing Arts Center

7.18.4. Director of Library

7.19. Approval of Resignation

7.19.1. Louis Stillo, Part-Time Campus Police, effective December 15, 2020.

7.19.2. Jaime Sandoval, CIS Adjunct Faculty, effective December 16, 2020.

7.19.3. John Treiber, Athletic Director, effective January 22, 2021.

7.19.4. Ana Macario, Custodian, effective January 22, 2021.

7.20. Approval of Retirement

7.20.1. Dixon Chin, Adult Education Adjunct Faculty, effective January 5, 2021.

7.20.2. Jody Davidson, Adult, and CTE Development Coordinator, effective February 26, 2021.

7.20.3. Steven Duhon, Human Resources Support Specialist, effective September 1, 2021.

7.21. Approval of Termination

7.21.1. Edison Cevallos, Part-Time Campus Police, effective January 5, 2021.

7.21.2. Authorization and Direction to schedule a Special Board Meeting for March 12 at 11:00 a.m. so that Frank Marzullo may have the opportunity to be heard by the Board of Trustees Relative to the Notification of Marzullo's Termination.

8. Adjournment

Trustee Martinucci made a motion to adjourned the meeting.

Trustee Collazo seconded the motion

Ayes: Trustees, Reitz, Martinucci, Collazo, Banks, Belcaster, Grazzini.

Nays: None

Motion carried.



~~Fran Reitz~~ Anthony Martinucci
Vice-Board Chair



Jose Collazo
Secretary of the Board

