

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

December 8, 2020

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges, District No. 529 met Tuesday night, December 8, 2020, at Olney Central College, Olney, Illinois, and following a public hearing on the tax levy, Trustees certified the district's levies for the calendar year 2020.

Updates were authorized for the current Board policy on Americans with Disabilities Act. Revisions were approved to the policy to ensure services to students who will benefit from academic accommodations.

The Board approved the Certification of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law and approved the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Designation of Tax Levy Year. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board is the organization that establishes accounting and financial reporting standards in the United States.

The board acted on recommendations affecting health care programs. Affiliation agreements were approved with area health care agencies and an agreement was approved to ensure smooth transition for the District's Associate Degree in Nursing students to transfer to McKendree University's Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Student handbooks have been updated and were approved for the District's Associate Degree in Nursing Degree and Radiography Programs, and for Olney Central College's Medical Office Program.

Trustees conducted a semi-annual review of closed session minutes. Under the Open Meetings Act, the board is required to examine closed session minutes at least twice a year.

Trustees approved an agreement with Wabash Area Development Corporation's Head Start Program and Wabash Valley College's Small World Child Development Center. Under the agreement, each party will work to increase success for families leaving Head Start and going into Kindergarten.

Additions were approved to the District's updated Return to Play Plan. The Return to Play Plan is IECC's guide for navigation of COVID-19 for the District's athletic programs.

Employment was approved for Tyler Burr, Coordinator of Public Information & Marketing at WVC, and effective December 9, 2020. Change in status was approved for Andrea Pampe from Assistant Dean of Student Services at Olney Central College to Director of Instructional Services at Olney Central College, effective January 5, 2021; for Steve Patberg from Assistant Dean of Student Services at Wabash Valley College, to Registrar at the District Office, effective January 5, 2021; and for Lynne Welker from Administrative Assistant to the Dean at Olney Central College, to Administrative Assistant to the Dean and President at Olney Central College, effective December 9, 2020.

Resignations were approved for Jennifer England as Health Sciences Specialist for the Title III Program at Frontier Community College, effective January 11, 2021; for Lauren Salesberry as Administrative Assistant to the President at Olney Central College, effective November 17, 2020; and for Linda Schalasky as Custodian at Lincoln Trail College, effective January 1, 2021.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, January 19, at 7 p.m. at Frontier Community College, Fairfield, Illinois.