

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**Illinois Eastern Community Colleges**  
**March 15, 2022**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community College District No. 529 met Tuesday night, March 15<sup>th</sup> at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel, Illinois. The oath of office was administered to new trustee Roger Browning. Mr. Browning was appointed to fill the vacancy created when Al Henager retired from the Board.

The trustees gave special recognition to Robert Conn, Lisa Hoipkemier, and Kinsey Whitaker who recently submitted Wabash Valley College's accreditation application for the Physical Therapy Program. The trustees also congratulated Prof. Kyle Peach and several Radio/TV students from Wabash Valley College for winning the National Community College TV Station of the Year Award. The trustees also recognized Maggee Bleyer, Student Trustee, expressing appreciation for her service to the Board of Trustees and the IECC district. Maggee is a student at Wabash Valley College and filled the remainder of the term left by outgoing student trustee Sania Borom. Raechel Hnetkovsky (Frontier Community College) will be seated as the next student trustee in the April 2022 meeting.

The IECC district's Identity Theft Prevention Program and the Program Status and Report for 2021 were approved. Federal regulations require the district to develop and implement a written identity theft prevention program.

The academic calendar for 2023-2025 was approved.

A bid in the amount of \$81,000 from Brightspark Travel was approved for the 2022 TRIO Upward Bound Educational Trip.

The college district's annual financial report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021 was approved to be filed with the Illinois Community College Board.

Trustees accepted the financial statement audit of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges for the year ended June 30, 2021.

In an on-going effort to provide clear information to students on course additions, drops, and course withdrawal, revisions were made to the withdrawal policy.

Affiliation agreements were approved for medical program students with Crawford County Health Department and the Sullivan County Community Hospital.

The Board approved the firm HUB to be employed as the District's next employee benefits consultant.

Increases were approved to the International Students' Transportation fees.

Employment was approved for Kenneth Pryor, Jr. as Information Systems Technician at Lincoln Trail College, effective March 21, 2022.

Resignations were received from Chelsea Gemeinhardt as Chemistry Instructor at Wabash Valley College, effective August 1, 2022; Casey Wyllie as Head Men's Basketball Coach at Olney Central

College, effective March 22, 2022; Holden August, Coordinator of Public Information & Marketing at Frontier Community College, effective March 18, 2022; Shayla Miller, Office Assistant at Frontier Community College, effective March 18, 2022; and Zachary Wingert, Covid Site Facilitator at the District Office, effective March 7, 2022.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, April 19, at 6:15 p.m. at Frontier Community College, Fairfield.