

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 21, 2019
Board of Trustees Meeting
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges

In action last night, the Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges accepted the retirement of Chief Executive Officer Terry L. Bruce, effective July 1, 2019. The action was taken at the regular meeting, Tuesday, May 21, held at Olney Central College, Olney.

IECC students continue to be satisfied with services provided by the colleges, according to the latest student satisfaction survey, with survey questions included in the areas of Communication, Student Services, Instruction, Technology and recommending the college to others. Results included:

- 94% were satisfied with Advisement services.
- 94% were satisfied with Financial Aid services.
- 97% were satisfied with Help Desk services.
- 95% were satisfied with Entrata.
- 92% were satisfied with the quality of instruction.
- 96% felt the instruction was academically challenging.
- 95% would recommend the college to others.

The survey was completed by 509 students and the results of the survey are shared with various district-wide committees as well as college committees to work on improving any area that needs attention.

An articulation agreement was approved between Illinois Eastern and Eastern Illinois University to facilitate smooth transfer from IECC's Radio/TV & Digital Media Degree offered at Wabash Valley College, and EIU's baccalaureate TV Video Production Bachelor of Arts Degree with a Radio & Audio Production Minor.

The Board approved an Environmental Scan for Fiscal Year 2019. The Environmental Scan data is used in forecasting future needs for college programs and services as well as in the development of the Strategic Plan.

A bid was awarded for remodeling of a classroom laboratory at the District's West Richland Center for use by the Title III Grant's Information Systems Technology Program. The low bid received that meets all specifications was submitted by John Flach Builders, Teutopolis, Illinois for a total of \$34,400.

Six affiliation agreements with area health care institutions were approved dealing with the IECC programs for Medical Office Careers, Electronic Medical Records and Certified Medical Assistant.

Approval was given for change in academic rank from Instructor to Assistant Professor for one faculty member. Approval was given for change in academic rank from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor for three faculty members. Approval was given for change in academic rank from Assistant Professor to Professor for two faculty members.

Vanessa Lowe was employed as Nursing Instructor effective August 8, 2019 and Gerry Kinney was employed as Electrical Distribution System Instructor at Frontier effective August 8, 2019. Amy Theriac was employed as Coordinator of Financial Aid at Lincoln Trail effective June 3, 2019. Kyle Gray was employed as Director of Business at Lincoln Trail College effective May 28, 2019.

A resignation ratification was approved for Stuart Balding as Custodian at Wabash Valley, effective May 28, 2019.

A retirement ratification was approved for Terry L. Bruce, as Chief Executive Officer at the District Office effective July 1, 2019.

Chairman Andrew Fischer called a Special Board Meeting to discuss personnel matters. The special board meeting is scheduled to be held Wednesday, May 29th at 6:00 p.m. at the IECC District Office Conference Room located at 233 East Chestnut Street, Olney, Illinois.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m. at Wabash Valley College, Mt. Carmel.