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Illinois Eastern Community College District #529
October 20, 2020
Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board authorized issuance of \$2,325,000 in Taxable General Obligation Community College Bonds for the purpose of paying claims against the District. The bond issuance was approved by the Board of Trustees at the regular meeting held Tuesday, October 20, at Frontier Community College, Fairfield.

Trustees approved an application for FY2022 capital renovation projects to be completed throughout the District. The district wide project application was developed to meet compliance requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The application will now be submitted to the Illinois Community College Board for consideration in future capital funding.

A bid by Supertech, Incorporated was approved in the amount of \$26,100 for the purchase of a Whole Body Phantom Manikin. The instructional equipment will be used by the District's Radiography Program located at Olney Central College.

Under a new agreement with Carle Richland Memorial Hospital, IECC's Associate in Applied Science Radiography students will be allowed to use new, energized radiography equipment in a laboratory setting. Access to Carle's modern energized radiography equipment will allow students to get valuable hands on experience in a laboratory setting that will enhance the program.

The trustees approved a service agreement for enrollment management services to be provided by the Ruffalo Noel Levitz company.

In an on-going effort to ensure district policies remain in compliance with state and federally approved laws, trustees approved revisions to the current Family Educational Rights and Privacy policy. The policy addresses student records and information; especially as related to the District's obligation to release certain information, when a formal request is made by military recruiters.

The Board accepted the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Biennial Review Report and authorized its submission to the Department of Education. The District is required to report every two years on compliance to specific requirements set by the U.S. Department of Education. The report certifies that requirements have been met for the creation of programs that IECC has adopted and implemented to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees.

An agreement was approved between the District and the company Nelnet to act as the district's tuition payment software system. The partnership goal with Nelnet is to ease the tuition payment process.

James Brenneman was employed as Interim Head Baseball Coach at Frontier Community, effective October 23, 2020.

A special assignment was approved for Nixie Hnetkovsky as Athletic Director at Frontier Community College, effective January 1, 2021.

Resignation ratifications were approved for Jayson Hoffman as a Workforce Education Instructor, effective October 24, 2020; Scott Correll, a Maintenance and Operations employee at Olney Central College, effective October 24, 2020; and for Christopher Brandon Benton, as Head Baseball Coach at Frontier Community College, effective October 23, 2020.

Retirement ratifications were approved for Deanna Chrysler as Administrative Assistant to the President at Lincoln Trail College, effective December 1, 2020; Vicky Bonelli as Director of the Learning Resource Center at Lincoln Trail College, effective January 1, 2021; and for Merna Youngblood as Director of the Learning Resource Center at Frontier Community College, effective January 1, 2021.

Next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, November 17th, at 7 p.m. at Lincoln Trail College, Robinson.