

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EASTERN IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
December 15, 2008**

The Board of Trustees of the Eastern Iowa Community College District (Merged Area IX) met in Regular Session on December 15, 2008, in the Larson Hall Conference Room at Muscatine Community College, 152 Colorado Street, Muscatine, Iowa. President Robert Gallagher called the meeting to order with the following directors present: Kendra Beck, Dr. Joseph D'Souza, Mary Lou Engler, John Frampton, Bill Phelan, Milton Shaw, Shirley Stewart, Bill Vetter. Absent: None.

Minutes from the November 17, 2008, Regular Board meeting had been mailed to the Board members for their review. Director Vetter moved, seconded by Director Frampton, to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Director Frampton presented an IACCT update. He noted that the new IACCT office building construction project in Des Moines is proceeding but continues to face construction-related challenges. He said he is looking forward to representing EICCD at the upcoming ACCT National Legislative Summit.

Staff reports were presented. Chancellor Pat Keir noted that she will bring the Board additional information related to the network upgrade project at the January Board meeting. Jeff Kaufmann, MCC faculty member and state representative, shared his impressions of the state's current and future budget situation and what that will mean for community colleges in the upcoming legislative session. Dr. Vic McAvoy, MCC president, gave the Board an overview of the Muscatine Agricultural Learning Center that is under construction, a partnership between MCC/EICCD, Muscatine Schools and the FFA. Marshall McDonald, MCC agriculture department coordinator, talked about the center and MCC's role in it and how it will serve as home to the District's new veterinary technology program. Christy Klingaman, the new instructor in the vet tech program, told the Board about the new program and its students.

A list of personnel items was presented for Board approval, as was a list of performance adjustments for administrative and professional staff. Director D'Souza moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to approve both lists as submitted. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark Kapfer, executive director of economic development, presented one Chapter 260E preliminary agreement with Olympic Steel in the amount of \$110,000; and three Chapter 260F retraining agreements with Computer Systems, Design & Programming, Inc. in the amount of \$4,999; Ref Alert, LLC in the amount of \$4,999; and Schumacher Company in the amount of \$25,000.

Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director D'Souza, to approve these agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board was asked to approve several contractual agreements: renewal of Kahl Building leases with EICCD Computing and Telecommunications Services and McCarthy Lammers & Hines, Attorneys at Law; an amendment to the Chapter 28E agreement with Davenport Schools; memoranda of agreement with Davenport Schools for the alternative high school and Bettendorf Schools for concurrent enrollment; and renewal of the articulation agreement with Missouri University of Science and Technology (formerly UM-Rolla).

Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Stewart, to approve the contractual agreements. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kirk Barkdoll, director of district facilities, presented amendments to two contracts for professional services: the SGGM Architects contract for the CCC Maquoketa Campus, an increase of \$12,192.50 for additional survey and legal description work related to the property acquisition; and Amendment #5 to the AMENT, Inc. contract for the SCC Roadway Improvement projects, an amount not to exceed \$19,500 for additional work related to modifications for signage.

Director Shaw moved, seconded by Director Phelan, to approve both contract revisions. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Renewable Energy Systems Specialist program was presented for final approval.

Director Frampton moved, seconded by Director Engler, to grant final approval to this new program. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board conducted a second reading on proposed revisions to Board Policy No. 507 – Student Residency Status. The changes would provide in-state tuition for active duty military personnel, their spouses and dependent children stationed within a 50-mile radius of an EICCD college. The Board was then asked to take action to approve the changes.

Director Beck moved, seconded by Director Engler, to approve the revisions to Board Policy No. 507 – Student Residency Status. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial reports for the month ending November 30, 2008, were presented. It was recommended that receipt of the reports be acknowledged and the reports placed on file.

Director Phelan moved, seconded by Director D'Souza, to acknowledge receipt of the reports and to place them on file. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Copies of the bills had been mailed to the Board members for their review. One additional bill was received after the mailing and an amended list was presented to Board members at their seats. Board members were asked to approve payment of the bills as amended.

Director Stewart moved, seconded by Director Shaw, to approve payment of the bills as amended. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

During Trustee Comments, Board members thanked Dr. McAvoy and the MCC staff and students for an excellent evening.

During Chancellor's Comments, Chancellor Keir thanked Dr. McAvoy and the MCC staff and students for the beautiful music. She told the Board that she does not expect EICCD to emerge unscathed from the impending second round of budget cuts that Governor Culver will propose, but the District is prepared to hold its own this year. She is more concerned about the next fiscal year.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on January 26, 2008, in the Ellis Vetter Board Room at 306 West River Drive, Davenport, Iowa. A Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the budget will be held at 5:30 p.m. preceding that meeting.

President Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Honey H. Bedell, Board Secretary

Approved:

Board President