

BOARD OF ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT #523

Executive Committee Meeting

September 27, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The executive committee meeting of the Board of Illinois Community College District #523, held at Kishwaukee College, Malta, Illinois, was called to order at 8:03 am by Chair, Robert Johnson, on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, in C-2175 Founders Boardroom.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Robert Johnson
Linda Mason
Kathy Spears
Dr. Laurie Borowicz

Members Absent:

None

Others present were:

Bob Hammon, Trustee
Kathy Watkins, Trustee
Eric Hermonson
Cindy McCluskey, Executive Assistant to the President

The following individuals joined the meeting at 8:30 am

Sedgwick Harris, Vice President Student Services
Kevin Fuss, Vice President Institutional Effectiveness
Mark Lanting, Vice President of Instruction
Bill Nicklas, Special Assistant to the President for Strategic Partnerships
Beth Young, CFO

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Ms. Spears, seconded by Ms. Mason the Board voted unanimously to adjourn to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, probable, imminent or pending litigation and collective bargaining negotiations.

Dr. Borowicz, Cindy McCluskey, Bob Hammon, Kathy Watkins, and Eric Hermonson were invited to stay for closed session. The closed session began at 8:05 am. The closed session ended at 2:24 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting of August 23, 2016, were presented for approval. On a motion by Ms. Spears, seconded by Ms. Mason and unanimously carried, the Executive Committee approved the minutes of the Board of Trustees Executive Committee regular and closed session meetings on August 23, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS – October 11 - Board Meeting Draft Agenda

The Executive Committee reviewed the October 11, 2016, Board Meeting Draft Agenda. We will remove the strategic plan for now and will review this in the spring. The Board will look at investment strategy recommendations at the October meeting. The Board stated that whatever we do, we need to make sure we are collateralized. The Board feels we need to be conservative. First National ought to be able to come to us with a proposal. The Board would like to have a presentation brought to the October Board meeting. Dr. Borowicz will reach out to Mr. Struthers to start the process.

We have been using Sikich as our auditing firm for the past four years. We need to make the decision to renew our contract or go out for an RFP for auditing services. We have our pre-planning meeting in February or March so we would need to start the process soon. We could look at having the same firm but rotating their staff. The Board believes that Sikich has really improved our auditing process. The Board will talk with Sikich at the Audit meeting about changing their onsite staff. At this time, the Board would like to ask for a proposal from Sikich for another two to three year contract and then we can decide whether to do an RFP.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION

None

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dr. Borowicz met with the KCSS support staff and heard their concerns. She will continue to meet with them on a quarterly basis.

The Board asked for an update on 75% local athletes within three years. Mr. Harris provided information on working with the local high schools. Mr. Johnson suggested reinforcing this at the administrator's breakfast.

Dr. Burke joined the meeting at 2:50 pm.

Ms. Spears discussed the accreditation of for profits and how limits are being imposed on their financial aid. There has been a lot of media coverage about the national student debt crisis. The letter from the editor this month will discuss how student loan debt is affecting students. Dr. Borowicz noted that Kish College is not only a good choice we are the best choice.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Executive Committee, Mr. Johnson asked to adjourn the meeting at 2:52 pm. On a motion by Ms. Spears, seconded by Ms. Mason, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 8:00 am.

Chair, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees