

Agenda Item #12.1  
January 25, 2013

APPROVED

Minutes of the 400<sup>th</sup>  
Meeting of the  
Illinois Community College Board  
Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center  
East Capitol Avenue,  
Springfield, IL

November 16, 2012

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Board minutes of the November 16, 2012 meeting as recorded.

**Item #1 – Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum**

Chairman Giannoulis called the Board meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and asked Ann Knoedler to call roll. The following Board members were present: Guy Alongi, Randy Barnette, Terry Bruce, James Dumas, Teresa Garate, Suzanne Morris, Thomas Pulver, Jake Rendleman, Alexi Giannoulis, and Joshua Beneze, Student Board member. A quorum was declared.

Chairman Giannoulis then stated that Victor Henderson was unable to attend the Board meeting due to a work conflict. The Chairman stated that according to Section 7 of the Open Meetings Act, Mr. Henderson may participate in the meeting via conference call. Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Randy Barnette, to allow Victor Henderson to participate by phone.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

Chairman Giannoulis then stated that Michael Dorf was unable to attend the Board meeting due to a work conflict. The Chairman stated that according to Section 7 of the Open Meetings Act, Mr. Dorf may participate in the meeting via conference call. Randy Barnette made a motion, which was seconded by Suzanne Morris, to allow Michael Dorf to participate by phone.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

**Item #2 – Announcements and Remarks by Board Chair**

Chairman Giannoulis began by welcoming the new ICCB Board member Dr. Teresa Garate.

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Chairman Giannoulis welcomed newly appointed Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) Interim Executive Director Dr. Harry Berman who will later be attending the ICCB meeting.

**Item #3 – Board Member Comments**

Randy Barnette extended his apologies to the Board for missing the September meeting, and welcomed new Board members Terry Bruce and Dr. Teresa Garate.

Suzanne Morris and Michael Dorf welcomed new Board member Dr. Teresa Garate. Tom Pulver welcomed new Board member Dr. Teresa Garate and also commented that the ICCB now has a full Board. Jake Rendleman welcomed new Board members Terry Bruce and Dr. Teresa Garate.

Guy Alongi welcomed new Board members Terry Bruce and Dr. Teresa Garate. Mr. Alongi then stated that he attended the Illinois Community College Faculty Association Conference in October. He stated that to date, 100% of all the community colleges are paying their dues to the faculty association.

**Item #4 – President/CEO Report**

Geoffrey Obrzut welcomed the newest Board member Dr. Teresa Garate. Mr. Obrzut stated that the ICCB staff would conduct a New Member Orientation with Dr. Garate before the January Board meeting. Mr. Obrzut announced that after seven years, Dr. Elaine Johnson will be retiring from the ICCB at the end of the calendar year to pursue a career in government consulting.

Mr. Obrzut acknowledged the following new ICCB staff:

- Drew Jenkins, Account Tech II in the Finance and Operations Division, started on June 1, 2012.
- Corey Hankins, Assistant Director in the Research and Policy Studies Division, started on June 16, 2012.
- Ian Kelley, Assistant Director for Career and Technical Education in the Academic Affairs Division, started on June 16, 2012.
- Jana Smith, Assistant Director in the Research and Policy Studies Division, started on July 1, 2012.
- Nathan Wilson was promoted to recently vacated position of Senior Director for Research and Policy Studies on August 1, 2012. He has been with the ICCB since January 1, 2001.

Next Tuesday, November 20, 2012, the ICCB, in conjunction with the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA) and the IBHE, will be holding an orientation for four new community college presidents: Mr. Curtis Oldfield, Spoon River College, Mr. Terry Wilkerson, Rend Lake College, Dr. Tim Bellamy, Shawnee Community College, and Dr. Michael Dreith, John A. Logan Community College.

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Mr. Obrzut thanked Board member Suzanne Morris for her work on the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Monetary Award Program (MAP) Task Force. He went on to thank Board member Randy Barnette for substituting on the task force for Ms. Morris during the October meeting. Ms. Morris was out of the state and could not attend. He also thanked Dr. John Avendano, President of Kankakee Community College, for representing the community college presidents on the task force. He stated that an update on the task force's progress is later on the meeting agenda.

Mr. Obrzut welcomed IBHE Interim Executive Director Dr. Harry Berman and wished Dr. George Reid, former IBHE Executive Director, well on his future endeavors. Thanks were awarded to Blackhawk College, Lincoln Land Community College, and John A. Logan College for participating with Lt. Governor Shelia Simon in AT&T's "No Text-and-Drive Campaign". Press conferences were held at each of the colleges promoting the message that texting while driving is dangerous. Mr. Obrzut also thanked Dr. Robert Breuder, President of College of DuPage, for hosting the ICCB Latino Advisory Committee's meeting held on October 2, 2012. He went on to thank Dr. Christine Sobek, President of Waubensee Community College, for allowing Lulu Blacksmith, Director of Governmental and Multicultural Affairs, to represent ICCB at the annual Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation Conference held today in Rosemont, Illinois. Mr. Obrzut concluded by thanking the Illinois Community College Faculty Association for the Honorary Membership Award presented to him.

Chairman Giannoulis took this time to thank Suzanne Morris her work on the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Monetary Award Program (MAP) Task Force. He also thanked ISAC Chair Kym Hubbard for accepting the one name, Suzanne Morris, submitted on behalf of the ICCB to represent the Board on the ISAC MAP Task Force.

Chairman Giannoulis went on to thank Julie Smith, Deputy Chief of Staff, for her assistance accommodating the ICCB in appointing Board members. He also congratulated Dr. Johnson on her retirement and wished her well on her future career.

## **Item #5 – Advisory Organizations**

### **Item #5.1 – Illinois Council of Community College Presidents**

Dr. Peg Lee, President of Oakton Community College, began by expressing gratitude on behalf of the President's Council for Terry Bruce being appointed to the Board. Dr. Lee also thanked Ellen Andres, ICCB Chief Financial Officer, and Terry Bruce for making presentation on the State's budget and the community college system's budget history and formula funding to the Council during the November meeting held last week.

The Council has been working closely with the Illinois Community College Trustees Association to monitor legislation and meet with members of the General Assembly and the Administration on the State's pension issue. Gratitude was given to Mike Monaghan for his efforts in bringing the trustees and presidents together to discuss the measures needed to be taken in order to help resolve this issue.

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Dr. Lee went on to mention the Council's concern that the IL Longitudinal Data System (ILDS) is being co-opted into a legislative solution which will eventually create another state agency to collect and complete work that is already being accomplished by the community colleges and the ICCB. She noted that the ILDS is not new to the colleges. They have over 30 years of records and record keeping experience. Other sectors of the project are new to the system. The Council is going to monitor this issue and she requested this issue be monitored very closely by the ICCB staff, as well.

The Council was very grateful for Dr. John Avendano, President of Kankakee Community College, and Theresa Bashiri-Remetio, Oakton Community College student trustee, for volunteering their time to be appointed task force members on the Illinois Student Assistance Commission Monetary Award Program (MAP) Task Force. Dr. Lee concluded by requesting assistance in ensuring the community college students receive access to education.

**Item #5.2 – Adult Education and Family Literacy Council**

Tawanna Nickens reported the Advisory Council last met on September 27, 2012. As always, the council has three areas of focus: assessment, curriculum and instruction, and data, research, and accountability. Within these three focus areas, the council is looking to examine current structures and identify best practices to determine quality aspects that can be embedded in the local program level.

For the next year, the Assessment Committee will continue to review orientation practices that each of the programs follow, as well as goal setting and identifying some best practices that can be shared around the state to have a matrix to be used as a resource in order to make improvements within programs and the area of assessment practices. The Curriculum and Instruction Committee's charge for the year is to identify instructional best practices. Currently, there are many initiatives within Adult Education, such as, Accelerating Opportunity and bridge programming, with the focus of transitioning learners to post secondary education.

The committee will also look at developing a way to evaluate the effectiveness of the changes made within the initiatives. The Data, Research, and Accountability Committee will continue to work with improving local program effectiveness through data. The committee will also be working on compiling a local report card so programs are able to compare their performance in each area to other programs within the state. This will also be used as a resource for continuous improvement. The next Advisory Council meeting will be held in January, 2013.

Board member Dr. Teresa Garate questioned if the Curriculum and Instruction Committee has addressed professional development for instructors to meet the needs of adults with disabilities within the community college system. Ms. Nickens responded the committee has addressed the issue. She stated that there are also specialized adult education service centers available to the colleges with specialists that help with this issue as well.

**Item #5.3 – Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA)**

Mike Monaghan started by welcoming the two newest Board members, Terry Bruce and Dr. Teresa Garate, and also welcomed back Jake Rendleman. He was recently reappointed to the Board and represents the ICCTA.

On behalf of the Association, Mr. Monaghan expressed appreciation for the opportunity to work with the President's Council this past year. The two groups have worked and will continue to work together on finalizing pension reform and health insurance. He stated that the legislature will be meeting to discuss these two areas of concern in the "Lame Duck Session" occurring between January 3 and January 9, 2013. He noted that this is the earliest a legislative session has been held during the month of January. The current General Assembly will adjourn for good on January 9<sup>th</sup>, which will also be the date the new members will be seated.

Mr. Monaghan thanked Board member Suzanne Morris and Dr. John Avendano, President of Kankakee Community College, for their work and dedication with the Illinois Student Assistance Commission Monetary Award Program (MAP) Task Force.

Mr. Monaghan concluded his comments by congratulating Dr. Elaine Johnson on her productive career with the ICCB and on her retirement. Board member Randy Barnette thanked the ICCTA for all their hard work in advocating for the community college system. Mr. Monaghan went on to introduce the new President of the ICCTA, Reggie Coleman. He is a trustee from John Wood Community College.

Mr. Coleman began by welcoming the two newest Board members, Terry Bruce and Dr. Teresa Garate, and also welcomed back Jake Rendleman on being reappointed to the Board.

Mr. Coleman stated the ICCTA last met on November 9 and 10 in Chicago. Their next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in March in Glen Ellyn. The annual ICCTA Lobby Day is tentatively scheduled for the early part of May, 2013 in Springfield, and the Annual Legislative Summit will be held in Washington D.C. from February 11-13, 2013. Mr. Coleman went on to thank Dr. Elaine Johnson for her hard work and dedication and wished her luck on her future endeavors. In conclusion, Mr. Coleman invited the Board to hold a future Board meeting at John Wood Community College.

**Item #5.4 – Student Advisory Council (SAC)**

Student Board member Joshua Beneze reported the council met for the second time this academic year on November 9 and 10 in Chicago. The Council had 49 students from 20 colleges in attendance. During this meeting, the new Leadership Development Externship Program held its second meeting.

Mr. Beneze stated the Legislative Sub-Committee decided on a topic for Advocacy Day in April: lobbying for increase funding for adult education programs throughout the state.

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The Outreach Sub-Committee has decided their next step for advocacy and awareness will be on anti-bullying and suicide prevention. To promote this awareness, the sub-committee will be looking into creating wristbands with the saying “Not On My Campus”.

Mr. Beneze stated the council recognized student trustee Brenda Bedolla, from Morton College, who is the 2012 Lincoln Academy Student Laureate Award winner. Ms. Bedolla received a certificate and a \$500 scholarship. In conclusion, the council had a proposed amendment to the Student Committee Operating Rules, which was passed. This is a three stage process to potentially grant individual representative voting privileges to each of the City Colleges of Chicago.

**Item #5.5 – Illinois Community College Faculty Association (ICCFA)**

David Seiler stated the ICCFA held the fall Teaching and Learning Conference in Springfield on October 25-26, 2012. There were about 120 registrants that attended and \$6500 worth of scholarships awarded. The Instructor of the Year Award was presented to Dr. Nicole Perry from Oakton Community College. Honorary Memberships were awarded to Senator Ed Maloney and Geoffrey Obrzut. A Certificate of Recognition was presented to David Palmer of John Wood Community College and Dr. Linda Hefferin, former President of the ICCFA.

The goals for the ICCFA to accomplish within the next year:

- Increase participation within the ICCFA Board
- Make website user friendly for the community college system
- For next year, recruit all new full-time faculty members to attend the ICCFA fall conference

**Item #5.6 – Illinois Community College System Foundation (ICCSF)**

Ray Hancock stated the ICCSF is undertaking a strategic planning process to better prepare itself for the future. The process will involve all aspects of the Foundation, but it will concentrate on long range planning and a funding advisory team.

Dr. Hancock went on to say the Foundation has completed an energy and safety audit with City, Water, Light and Power of Springfield. New air-conditioning equipment is needed for about one-third of the building, replacing 30 year old units; security concerns with elevator and stairway access to the floors has been implemented; space heaters are being removed from the building for both safety and energy purposes; and lighting changes are being made as old unites need to be replaced.

The Foundation is still working on a new purchasing consortium for all Illinois community colleges. New legislation effective in August of this year appears to have made the bidding process much more convenient by allowing colleges to purchase on the basis of competitive solicitations instead of only a rigid bidding process.

Dr. Hancock stated that the Foundation awards \$250,000 per year in scholarships to Illinois community college students.

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This year the Foundation has lost a scholarship program because a major donor changed the priorities of its philanthropic giving; however, a new scholarship program was gained when the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators (ICCCA) created an endowment in the Foundation that will provide one or more \$1,000 scholarships each year for a system administrator who is doing advanced graduate work that has the potential to benefit the entire system.

Two scholars received this award yesterday in Rockford at the ICCCA Annual Convention. In conclusion, Dr. Hancock announced he will be resigning as a member of the P-20 Council. He stated that his decision was due to personal and professional obligations.

Mr. Obrzut requested an update on the license plate project presented to the Board during the September Board meeting. Dr. Hancock explained there has not been any further movement on this project. Mr. Obrzut also questioned if the other half of the fourth floor of the building has been rented out. Dr. Hancock replied that they are not currently in discussion with anyone.

**Item #5.7 – Latino Advisory Committee**

Dr. Karen Hunter-Anderson stated she is reporting on behalf of Lulu Blacksmith who is representing the ICCB at the Latino Caucus in Rosemont. Ms. Blacksmith is making a presentation on a ten year perspective of the community college system's enrollment history including Latino enrollments, and the accomplishments of the Latino Advisory Committee.

During the last meeting, which was held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the College of DuPage, discussions took place regarding the Illinois Dream Act Commission and President Obama's Deferred Action Policy for young undocumented immigrants. There was a lengthy discussion on Public Act 93-007. This law made it legal for immigrant students who graduate from an Illinois public high school to be eligible for in-district tuition at any Illinois community college.

The committee also discussed the National Dream Act institutional best practices and other financial aid resources that are hoped to be made available to immigrant students in the future. The next meeting will take place in early spring to continue discussions.

Dr. Garate questioned if the presentation made by Ms. Blacksmith has been shared with the field. Dr. Anderson replied the presentation will be placed on the ICCB website as well as be shared with the Latino Advisory Committee members. Dr. Garate asked if the presentation is based solely on data. Dr. Anderson said that includes community college system growth patterns and recommendations made by the Latino Advisory Committee. Mr. Obrzut suggested the presentation be shared with the Board at the next Board meeting.

**Item #6 – Committee Reports**

**Item #6.1 – Adult Education, Research and Education Technology**

Randy Barnette reported the committee met on November 8 at the James R. Thompson Center. The committee received an update on Adult Education from Dr. Anderson. ICCB received a final report on the monitoring visit conducted by the federal Office of Vocational and Adult Education in May, 2012. The final report included three noteworthy practices and two findings. One of the findings was resolved before they left, and a resolution is nearly complete for the other finding. Dr. Anderson reported that the monitoring report was very complementary to Illinois' program.

Discussions also took place on Accelerating Opportunity and proposed Longitudinal Data System Governing Board. She briefly reported on Senate Bill 3803, IL College Choice Report Act that will likely be voted on during the fall veto session. The Act will give information on all higher education institutions, which is similar to the Illinois Public School Report Cards. This will provide students with a quick access to information about the community colleges.

Mr. Barnette reported on the Economic Impact Study. An advisory committee is being formed to meet with Northern Illinois University and plan the detail to be included in the next Economic Impact Study. The committee will replicate the duties and membership of the previous committee formed to advise the 2007 Economic Impact Study. Mr. Barnette said it will likely meet before the end of the calendar year.

In conclusion, the committee received an update on the Online Education presentation given by Dr. Anderson and Jeff Newell, Director of Online Education, at the P-20 Council October meeting. The presentation included information regarding online initiatives, resources, and offerings in the Illinois Community College System. The Governor was present and complimented ICCB on their online efforts.

Teresa Garate expressed her interest in joining the Adult Education, Research and Education Technology Committee. Chairman Giannoulis approved Dr. Garate's appointment to the committee.

**Item #6.2 – Academic Affairs and Workforce Development**

Tom Pulver reported the committee met on the evening of November 15<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and ICCB. The agreement involves College and Career Readiness and STEM scholars. Mr. Pulver stated there was a minor error within the description of the IGA in the agenda item. It currently states the ISBE will grant \$983,000 for a *STEM College and Career Readiness* (STEM CCR) project over the course of the next three and one-half years to ICCB. The amount correct amount is \$983,600. The amount is correct in the actual agreement. The STEM CCR project builds upon important work that was initially started through Public Act 095-06494—the Illinois College and Career Readiness Pilot Project Act.



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The IGA project will be used to support completion efforts by connecting remedial education to programs of study efforts and support the goals of reducing remediation by diagnosing college readiness for juniors and seniors in high school, curricular alignment between secondary and postsecondary education and the delivery of targeted interventions in high schools. Three of the colleges in the City Colleges of Chicago system will be among the six program sites. The IGA requires approval by the Board and will do so during agenda item number eight.

Mr. Pulver stated ICCB is entering into another IGA with ISBE for \$250,000 to provide support for Common Core State Standards implementation by supporting local curriculum alignment meetings in English Language Arts and Math across the community college system statewide. Details of this IGA are included in the informational items in the agenda. The IGA draft is currently in legal review within ISBE and should be finalized in January.

ICCB has been in conversations with the Toll Highway Authority regarding a training proposal. At this time, however, the department is moving this concept forward slowly.

Mr. Pulver briefly spoke about a developmental math redesign. There have been discussions regarding the issues complicating the completion of college and the barriers to success. National, locally and already within many colleges steps are being taken to propose a dual path through developmental math. One would be a STEM path, which is the traditional path already in place, and the other would be a general education preparation math program, which would prepare students for basic statistics or some other type of math. The next steps would include changing the IAI process.

Mr. Pulver concluded by reporting the Illinois Joining Forces Summit was launched on Friday, November 9th. There are ten work groups, and ICCB's Jennifer Timmons has been asked to chair the Education Work Group. The Education Work Group will be working with representatives from the Army Reserve, the Center for Adult and Experiential Learning, the Pentagon, the National Guard, the Department of Veterans Affairs, community organizations and colleges to create training for college faculty and staff. This training will be created over the next several months with implementation prior to the fall 2013 semester.

**Item #6.3 – External Affairs**

Jake Rendleman stated the committee met on November 14<sup>th</sup>. The first topic of discussion was the direction of the ICCB magazine. It was requested of the Chairman and President/CEO to specify the objective of the ICCB magazine, including how the articles are to be handled. It was agreed on by the committee there is too much delay between correspondence between staff, Shannon Woodworth, the magazine editor, and the Chairman. The committee will reevaluate this issue at the next committee meeting.

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Steve Morse reported to the committee that a news release had been distributed with information regarding the latest ICCB Fall Enrollment Report. An instructor from a local university stated he would be using the news release and enrollment report as an assignment for a Public Affairs Reporting class once they were made public.

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission Monetary Award Program (MAP) Task Force was also discussed during the meeting. Suzanne Morris reported on the ICCB's proposal to the task force requesting the segregation of \$65 million MAP funds for use by community college students. Mr. Rendleman thanked Ms. Morris and Randy Barnette for their work on the task force. A more in depth report will be given to the Board later during the Board meeting.

The committee also reviewed proposed ICCB legislation that would eliminate the square footage component of the community college funding formula. The funds from that component would be rolled into the credit hour component of the formula. ICCB Chief Financial Officer, Ellen Andres, joined the meeting to explain the rationale for the legislation, and its impact on the colleges. There was much discussion regarding which colleges might receive more or less funding if the square footage component were eliminated.

The committee requested the position of the ICCTA and President's Council on this issue. Currently, the committee suggested to refrain from moving forward on the proposed legislation until a proper review of all the information can be done. Therefore, the committee recommends pulling Item number seven from the agenda today. It will be may be brought back to the board at another meeting.

In conclusion, Mr. Rendleman stated Mr. Morse has received a legislative map with an overlay of the community college districts. Mr. Morse explained the map was executed by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) at his request, as a similar map was done 10 years ago. Committee member Mr. Rendleman questioned if the map could be made available in a smaller size than the one created by IDOT. Mr. Rendleman suggested the ICCB work with the ICCTA to reduce the map size. The ICCTA Executive Director, Mike Monaghan, is currently working on the project with Mr. Morse.

**Item #6.4 – Fiscal, Personnel, Ethics and Conflict of Interest**

Suzanne Morris stated the committee met on the morning of November 16<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed the financial statements for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013. Ms. Andres, distributed the Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013 financial statements to the Board and explained that payments to the colleges from the state are six months late. No payments have been made for Fiscal Year 2013. Guy Alongi stated that the smaller colleges are the most affected by the late payments. Mr. Alongi suggested the Board may want to take a stand on what payments are taken care of before others, such as paying equalization payments before base operating. The Board requested to be updated on the issue at each meeting but was not ready to set a policy on requesting certain payments be made by the Comptroller before others.

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Ms. Morris went on to state that committee previously discussed the Board's current policy of approving only contracts over \$20,000. The Chairman and President/CEO manage contracts under \$20,000. The Board requested to be informed of contracts under \$20,000 that are being executed. Ms. Andres developed an information item that fulfills the Board request, and she will update it each Board meeting.

The presidents have brought to the ICCB's attention some current ICCB deadlines that are becoming more impossible to meet for various reasons, and they have requested that the ICCB amend the Administrative Rules. Ms. Andres stated that the ICCB will be assembling a packet of rule changes for the Board to review in spring. While taking these deadline changes to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, staff is going to take this opportunity to update other outdated rules. All proposed changes must be voted on by the Board. An agenda item will be prepared for a later meeting.

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At this time, Dr. Harry Berman, Interim Executive Director for Illinois Board of Higher Education, arrived and was welcomed.

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**Item #7 – Budgeting for Results**

Julie Smith, Governor's Deputy Chief of Staff for Education and the Education Team Lead, reported that on July 1, 2010, Governor Quinn signed Budgeting For Results (BFR) into law. Ms. Smith reported that it is a historic spending reform act requiring the State of Illinois to institute a results-based budgeting process that will end the automatic funding of programs. By requiring the State to live within its means and focus on performance, BFR transforms the way that state officials, legislators, and the public prioritize, think about, and implement the State's budget.

The Commission meets monthly, and five public hearings were held in 2011 and 2012. The first report was issued in 2011 and the second annual report was issued on November 1, 2012. ICCB staff participated in the Education Team of the BFR process. The team developed a framework to represent the relationships between levels of education, including the State, the community, and the learner in achieving student success.

In addition, Ms. Smith stated the team identified four priority factors which she described for the Board.

- **Access to high quality education** – She state that this means high quality learning with broad opportunities. Secondary factors related to access include affordability, capacity and availability, assurance of quality, awareness convenience, location and time.

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- **Adequate resources** – Ms Smith reported that the team felt that sufficient and sustained funding is necessary for high quality education and safe learning environments. Within the education community, core funding is a key topic at every level. In addition to sufficient financial resources, appropriate tools for learning such as all necessary assessments and accompanying technology as well as timely and relevant data to support instruction comprise an important element of adequate resources. Lastly, facilities and infrastructure are an essential piece of providing for high quality education.
- **Leadership** – Distributed and inclusive leadership focused on student learning and success. Recruiting, and retaining, strong leaders who are prepared to provide instructional leadership, use data to inform decision making, and establish meaningful relationships with families, students, and staff helps to set a tone for student success.
- **Professional Capacity** – Educators with strong knowledge and skills. Licensure standards along with strong teacher preparation programs provide a pool of highly qualified candidates from which districts can recruit educators focused on collaboration with families, community partners, and leaders to better support students. The use of evaluations to inform practice allows for more targeted effective professional development to continue enhancing teacher’s ability to better prepare students.

Ms. Smith explained that the team also identified five priority budget strategies which support the results:

- **Promote comprehensive approach to implementation of new academic standards** - This includes, support for use of appropriate assessments for supporting student learning, improved educator preparation, supporting high quality, effective professional development, ensuring adequate infrastructure, equipment, and other tools for learning.
- **Increase access to high quality early learning** – This has a special emphasis alleviating and even preventing achievement gaps as early as possible through early care and education programs for children ages birth to five and more intensive options such as home visiting for high need families. Home visiting empowers families by offering positive parenting techniques, child development information, and referrals to additional services as needed.
- **Enhance availability of support services across the P-20 spectrum** – This strategy calls for the provision of the full spectrum of support services ranging from mental health referrals and health screenings to college and career counseling, to study supports, to mentoring, and financial advising.
- **Ensure access to postsecondary education and support timely completion** – This encourages support for a variety of options to enhance completion including DC/DE, AP, and Pathways. It also addresses barriers to accessing postsecondary education, specifically those related to the affordability.
- **Collect and provide timely and relevant data** - The Longitudinal Data System will provide valuable information for better supporting individual students based on their unique strengths and needs.

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Moving forward, Ms. Smith concluded by stating the team has identified three next steps to help see the work of the report through:

- Continue to work with all sectors in education to refine the budget strategies and to measure performance outcomes.
- Continue to identify evidence based research that supports factors, indicators, and strategies.
- Convene a meeting of the Education Team and education agency leadership to discuss the report.

Ms. Smith's presentation can be found on the ICCB website: <http://www.iccb.org/index.html>

**Item #8 – Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Community College Board for the STEM College and Career Readiness Project** (ACTION)

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Jake Rendleman, to approve the following item:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the President/CEO to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois State Board of Education on behalf of the Board.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

**Item #9 – New Units of Instruction** (ACTION)

Guy Alongi made a motion, which was seconded by Jake Rendleman, to approve the following items:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

**PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL**

**Danville Area Community College**

- Fire Science Technology A.A.S. degree (64 credit hours)
- Fire Science Technology Specialist Certificate (35 credit hours)
- Wind Energy Technician A.A.S. degree (67 credit hours)

**College of DuPage**

- Biomedical Engineering Technology A.A.S. degree (70 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

**Item #10 – Illinois Community College Board Recognition of Community Colleges**

**Item #10.1 – Kaskaskia College, Parkland College, Southwestern Illinois College, Triton College**

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by Suzanne Morris, to approve the following items:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby grants a status of “recognition continued” to the following districts:

- Kaskaskia College
- Parkland College
- Southwestern Illinois College
- Triton College

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

**Item #10.2 – Kaskaskia College, Parkland College, Southwestern Illinois College, Triton College**

Guy Alongi made a motion, which was seconded by Suzanne Morris, to approve the following items:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby grants a status of “recognition continued” to the following district:

- Waubonsee Community College

Tom Pulver abstained. The motion was approved via voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

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At this time, Dr. Elaine Johnson expressed her gratitude to the Board and to the Illinois Community College System for a wonderful working experience.

**Item #11 – Funding Formula Legislation (Action)**

The External Affairs Committee has currently tabled the legislation until receiving the requested information.

**Item #12 – Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC): Senate Joint Resolution 69 Update**

Suzanne Morris reported on the proposed recommendations of the MAP Task Force. She stated that the task force agreed to set two cutoff dates for MAP applications. The first deadline will be March 1<sup>st</sup>, which benefits primarily the four year colleges and university students, and will also account for 70 percent of the MAP funding.

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New to the process will be a ranking system. Every application that arrives to ISAC by March 1<sup>st</sup> will have the same status; therefore, ISAC will rank those applications on a need basis using their funding formula until the 70 percent funding is spent. The second deadline date will be July 15<sup>th</sup>, which will account for the remaining 30 percent of the MAP funding. The applications that did not receive MAP funding within the first group will be included with the remaining 30 percent group. ISAC will then rank the applications on need until the remaining 30 percent of the funding is spent. Ms. Morris reported that this will make the grant program a true need-based program. ISAC will be reporting back to the task force on the outcome of the proposed recommendations when they run the recommendation based on Fiscal Year 13 applicants.

Chairman Giannoulis questioned what the next steps would be if the above proposed recommendations were adopted. Ms. Morris stated the task force was in agreement that there would not be any forward movement made that requires a legislative action; therefore, this would be an internal rules change within the ISAC agency, which will not involve legislation. Ms. Morris also stated the task force may be called in for an additional unscheduled meeting to review the information reported by ISAC.

**Item #13 – 2012 Enrollment Report**

Dr. Karen Hunter-Anderson reported there are continued strong enrollments within the Illinois community colleges even though the system headcount and full-time Equivalent (FTE) enrollments dropped four percent. The FTE enrollments are the fourth highest they have been within the last 25 years. Dr. Anderson also stated the system has increased enrollments in online education. A more detailed analysis of enrollment numbers will be reported to the Board after the spring data has been released.

**Item #14 – Consent Agenda**

Tom Pulver made a motion, which was seconded by James Dumas, to approve the following items:

**Item #14.1 – Minutes of the September 21, 2012 Work Session**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Work Session minutes of the September 21, 2012, meeting as recorded.

**Item #14.2 – Minutes of the September 21, 2012 Board Meeting**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Board Meeting minutes of the September 21, 2012, meeting as recorded.

**Item #14.3 – Illinois Community College Board Committee Member Appointments**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the President/CEO to make appointments to the Finance Advisory Committee, the MIS/Research Advisory Committee, and the Program Advisory Committee.

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote. Student advisory vote: Yes.

**Item #15 – Information Items**

**Item #15.1 – Fiscal Year 2012 Financial Statements**

**Item #15.2 – Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Statements**

**Item #15.3 – Recognition Status/Update**

**Item #15.4 – DRAFT Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Community College Board for the Bridging the GAP Alignment Project**

**Item #16 – Other Business**

There was no other business at this time.

**Item #17 – Public Comment**

Terry Bruce questioned where the “Public Comment” item should be located on the Board agendas. Mr. Bruce believes this item should go at the beginning of the agenda. It was decided the matter would be reviewed in the External Affairs Committee.

There was no public comment at this time.

**Item #18 – Executive Session**

**Item #18.1 – Employment/Appointment Matters**

Suzanne Morris made a motion, which was seconded by Guy Alongi, to approve the following motion:

To enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Employment/Appointment Matters, which qualify as acceptable exceptions under Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to hold a closed session.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Guy Alongi	Yea	Victor Henderson	Yea
Randy Barnette	Yea	Suzanne Morris	Yea
Terry Bruce	Yea	Thomas Pulver	Yea
Michael Dorf	Yea	Jake Rendleman	Yea
James Dumas	Yea	Joshua Beneze	Yea
Teresa Garate	Yea	Alexi Giannoulis	Yea

The motion was approved and the Board entered Executive Session at 12:26 p.m.

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Agenda Item #12.1  
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Jake Rendleman made a motion, which was seconded by Randy Barnette, to reconvene Public Session at 1:08 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Guy Alongi	Yea	Victor Henderson	Absent
Randy Barnette	Yea	Suzanne Morris	Yea
Terry Bruce	Yea	Thomas Pulver	Yea
Michael Dorf	Absent	Jake Rendleman	Yea
James Dumas	Yea	Joshua Beneze	Yea
Teresa Garate	Yea	Alexi Giannoulis	Yea

Victor Henderson left the meeting at 12:56 p.m. Michael Dorf left the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

The motion was approved.

**Item #19 – Adjournment**

Guy Alongi made a motion, which was seconded by Terry Bruce, to adjourn the Board meeting at 1:10 p.m.

The motion was approved via voice vote. None opposed. Student member vote: Yea.

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Alexi Giannoulis  
Board Chairman

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Geoffrey Obrzut  
President and Chief Executive Officer