

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 525
JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE

- 1.0 Call to Order The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College Illinois Community College District #525 held at, Joliet Junior College, 1215 Houbolt Road, Board Room, Joliet, IL was called to order by Chairman Wunderlich at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2019.
- 1.0.1 Roll Call Trustees Maureen Broderick Nancy Garcia
Present: Jake Mahalik Alicia Morales (arrived at 5:36 p.m.)
 Dan O'Connell Bob Wunderlich
- Trustee
Absent: Mike O'Connell
- Student
Trustee Present: Shalma Marin
- Welcome Chairman Wunderlich welcomed the guests to the Joliet Junior College regular monthly Board meeting.
- Pledge Laurel Dieskow led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 1.0.5 Public Comments Chairman Wunderlich indicated that we do not have any requests to speak before the Board this evening.
- 1.1.1 Bonds Refunding President Mitchell invited Dan Forbes to the podium to provide an update and opportunity on our Build America Bonds. Mr. Forbes indicated that there are some good opportunities that he would like to present to the Board this evening for the 2009 Build America B Bonds in the amount of \$65 million which are callable at the end of this year. We have put together the schedules for refunding of the Bonds and thanked Mr. Galick, Jeff Heap and Dr. Mitchell for her presentation to Moody's today. These are 2009 Build America B Bonds that had a special federal rebate behind them of 35% of the interest costs to be rebated back to the college. This was to be an iron clad clause; however, there was a sequestration and the rebate went down to 32%. If you decide to do the refunding of these bonds, they can be turned into tax exempt bonds which are more solid and not subject to the sequestration. In today's market the savings would be approximately \$8 million over time. The bonds maturity dates will not be extended and debt service will not be increased in any particular year. The net present value savings is \$7.4 in today's market. Mr. Forbes explained the bidding process and difference between coupon and yield, as well as the payment of a premium on the bonds to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Forbes reviewed the timeline and indicated that he will be back to the Board on December 11th to give them an update on where we are in the market at that time. The Board will be asked to pass a

parameters agreement at this meeting as well. The plan is to take bids the next day unless the market were to change. Trustee Broderick commented that she understands that we are not increasing the term, but has a concern about the premium and asked for further explanation on what is meant by premium. Mr. Forbes explained that premium in this instance means that the buyer will pay \$6.6 million to the college which will lower the interest rate return to them in yield to the 2.12 percent. This will lower the par amount and therefore lowers the costs. Trustee Broderick asked what our Moody's rating was currently. Mr. Forbes indicated that the college is rated as AA2. We had a very good phone call with the rating analyst today and will know the outcome of the rating the week of Thanksgiving. Trustee Broderick commented that she is happy to know that there will not be any attempt to sell bonds on the market that same day of the Fed Meeting as that could skew the rates. Trustee Garcia-Guillen asked for an explanation on the net new debt service item in the information the Board received. Mr. Forbes indicated that it would be the debt service for the new refunding bonds.

- 1.1.2 President Mitchell requested that Mr. Jeff Heap come to the podium to discuss the request for a tax abatement for the U. S. Cold Storage. Mr. Heap indicated the Ms. Nancy Amer was unable to be present this evening; therefore, he would give a review of the request. There was a meeting in October with all of the taxing bodies to review the request from U S Cold Storage for an abatement on the \$61 million expansion of their facility. Mr. Reed, general manager of U. S. Cold Storage, thanked the Board for their consideration of this request. We are looking to add a 25,000 pallet fully automated expansion to the building in the amount \$61 million and looking to add about 50 additional positions with the company. This will be the final expansion for this site as we would be fully built out at this property in Minooka. Trustee Broderick asked which taxing bodies have already approved this agreement. Mr. Heap indicated that he will have the information on the approvals of the agreement available for the December meeting.
- 1.2 A moment of silence was observed for members of the College family, students, community leaders, or relatives thereof, who had passed away since the last meeting. Chairman Wunderlich requested that Dottie Brown who has been a huge benefactor to the community, including Joliet Junior College, be added to the moment of silence. Trustee Broderick requested that Anna Marie Thayer also be added to the moment of silence.
- 1.3 Chairman Wunderlich indicated that all present are special guests.
- 1.4.1 Trustee Broderick read the resolution honoring Retiree Errol Wilson which acknowledged his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for 23 years of service from 1996 to 2019. Trustee Broderick moved seconded by Trustee Morales that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the resolution honoring Retiree Mr. Errol Wilson. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Dan O'Connell, Mahalik, Morales and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
- 1.4.2 Chairman Wunderlich read the resolution honoring Retiree Linda Gross-O'Neill acknowledging her loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for 18 years of service from 2001 to 2019. Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the resolution honoring Retiree Ms. Linda Gross-O'Neill. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

- 1.4.5 Faculty Union Report Dr. Bob Marcink, President of the Faculty Union, thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak this evening. Dr. Marcink introduced a few of his students present this evening to observe the Board meeting. These students are journalist majors and have done work for the student newspaper. Dr. Marcink congratulated everyone who took part in Discover JJC as all reports are that it was very successful. He offered congratulations to Mr. Errol on his retirement and indicated that Ms. Linda Gross O'Neill was an excellent adjunct and wished her a restful, peaceful, and happy retirement. Dr. Marcink commented that he will be unable to attend the December meeting because of conflicts with his teaching schedule and wished everyone Happy Holidays.
- 1.4.6 Adjunct Faculty Union Report Ms. Laurel Dieskow indicated that she also will not be able to attend the December Board meeting due to finals that day. Ms. Dieskow wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and safe and Happy Holidays.
- 1.5.1 Minutes Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Garcia Guillen that the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held on October 9, 2019 be approved as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell, and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
- 1.6 Communications Ms. Tierney stated that she had not received any further communications.
- 1.7 Agenda Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Dan O'Connell that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion carried. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
- 1.8 Consent Agenda Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Morales that the items identified as consent agenda items be approved. Trustee Morales requested clarification on policies that were clipped to the report. President Mitchell indicated that those were copies of policies that have already been approved and are replacement pages for the Board Policy Manual. Student Trustee requested that agenda item 4.11 be pulled from the agenda. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
- 2.2.1 President recommends approval of a change in retirement date as requested by one faculty member
- 2.2.2 President recommends approval of rescinding retirement as requested by one faculty member
- 2.9.1 President requests acceptance of the report on replacement of full-and part-time classified employees, as presented
- 2.9.2 President recommends approval of faculty salary schedule columnar advancement in accordance with current contractual agreement
- 4.1 The President recommends approval to pay the listing of bills for the period ending October 31, 2019 as presented
- 4.2 The President recommends approval to award bids/contracts as follows under Business Services:
- 4.2.1 Bid – Cisco Smartnet Renewal
- 4.2.2 Bid – Glazing Replacement
- 4.2.3 Contractual Service – Arc Flash Study
- 4.2.4 Sole Source – CARLI
- 4.2.5 Sole Source – Drive Square
- 4.2.6 Sole Source – Symphony Video
- 4.3 Treasurer's Report

- 4.4 Financial Report
 - 4.6 Board of Trustees Approval of Partial Abatement of Taxes for the 2009 General Obligation Bond Issues
 - 4.7 Board of Trustees Approval of Abatement of Taxes for the 2012A General Obligation Refunding Bonds Bond Issue
 - 4.8 Board of Trustees approval of Abatement of Taxes for the 2013A General Obligation Refunding Bonds Bond Issue
 - 4.9 Board of Trustees approval of Abatement of Taxes for the 2013B General Obligation Alternate Revenue Bond Issue
 - 4.10 Board of Trustees approval of Abatement of Taxes for the 2018 General Obligation Alternative Revenue Bond Issue
 - 4.12 Board of Trustees approval of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, Head Start Program, Lease Agreement
 - Approval and Third Reading of Board Policies:
 - 8.8 1.10.03 Officers of the Board- Treasurer and Designee Bonding
 - 8.9 1.27.00 Committees of the Board
 - 8.10 1.45.06 Special Meetings of the Board
 - 8.11 1.70.00 ICCB Statement of Mission
 - 8.12 1.70.01 ICCB Communications
 - 8.13 1.86.00 Board Electronic Communications
- The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

4.11
Funds
Transfer

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees approve the resolution to transfer funds from the Working Cash Fund to Education and Operations and Maintenance Fund. Student Trustee Marin asked what the purpose is for the transfer of approximately \$5 million from the working cash fund. Mr. Galick indicated that the college does not get a steady revenue stream consistently throughout the year. We have large amounts of money at the beginning of each of the fall and spring semesters. We receive large amounts of money when property taxes are distributed from our various counties in our district. However, there are other months when we have very small amounts of monies coming in to the college. In April and May we have very little cash flow. Many years ago, the community colleges were authorized to set aside a working cash fund to supplement the low cash flow months if needed. In order for us to use this money if needed, we must do this transfer twice a year once to put it in and once to take it out. This is board authorization to transfer monies on our books. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

4.5.1
Levy
Recess

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College recess the meeting (6:03 p.m.) to allow for public comment on the levy. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

4.5.2
Public
Comments

Chairman Wunderlich asked if there was anyone that would like to address the Board regarding the levy. No requests for public comments on the levy were heard.

4.5.3
Return
Regular

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College return to regular session (6:04 p.m.). The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia Guillen, Mahalik, Morales,

Session	Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
4.5.4 Levy Adoption	Trustee Mahalik moved, seconded by Trustee Garcia Guillen that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the administrative recommendation to adopt the resolution as presented and authorize the 2019 tax levy to be filed with the county clerks of Will, Grundy, Livingston, Cook, Kendall, LaSalle and Kankakee and the State of Illinois. The motion carried. Ayes: Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell, Broderick, Garcia Guillen and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.
6.0 Board Comments	Trustee Broderick commented that she would like to commend Ms. Rohder-Tonelli and President Mitchell for the new Community Impact booklet. Trustee Broderick distributed them at a meeting she was attending and the participants were quite impressed with the good information in the booklet. There are copies of the booklet available and she encouraged the Board to take some for their use.
7. & 8.	There were first and second board policy readings in the packet.
9.1 Foundation Report	Trustee Garcia Gullian indicated that next Foundation meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday and she will share that information with the Board next month.
9.2 ICCTA Report	<p>Trustee Broderick indicated that our student trustee and six of our Board members attended the ACCT national conference in San Francisco from October 16-19. This conference had one of the highest attendances on record. Trustee Broderick commented that as the voting delegate for the college, she is pleased to announce that the central region acquired additional representation at the national level. The voting results were: Jay Nardini of Iowa, Diversity and Inclusion went to Mark Wiley of Prairie State and Director at Large Alturo Reyes of Michigan. Trustee Broderick indicated that she is the state coordinator for the central region. There are eight colleges in this role and they meet to make sure that our needs are heard for the central region. Trustee Broderick indicated that according to our policy and procedure we are to report what we learned at the conferences that we attended and asked that each board member make comments on what they learned from attending this conference.</p> <p>Student Trustee Marin indicated that she met with her fellow student trustees and one of their topics was the importance of the student trustee on the board. They discussed how to be more accessible to the students and ways to have the board more visible so that students feel able to come to them. Also discussed was some of the differences in roles of student trustees and different separations such as not being able to go to SGA offices at some of the colleges. Student Trustee Marin indicated that she learned a good deal and was able to do a lot of networking with other student trustees. She also attended forums on financial aid which dealt with trying to find ways to make it easier for students to fill out verification forms. Offering prison education was also presented. The conference was a learning experience and helps us to continue to build on our knowledge and refresh ourselves on new and old information. Student Trustee Marin stated that she was very grateful for being able to attend this conference.</p> <p>Trustee Dan O'Connell indicated that he attended a risk assessment session and also a session entitled <i>Gone in 60 Seconds</i>. The <i>Gone in 60 Seconds</i> was about Cape Cod College that was hacked to the tune of \$887,000. They were attacked through their computers 26 times and 12 of those times were successful resulting in the loss of \$887,000. They were using an international bank in Canada to flow through the money. Trustee Dan O'Connell spoke with Jim Serr on his return from the conference and wanted</p>

to make sure that we have insurance should this ever happen at JJC. Mr. Serr assured Trustee Dan O'Connell that the college does have insurance on this should we ever need it. The risk assessment session involved a live shooter on campus and a computer hack. We are fortunate at the College to have armed police should this type of incident ever happen at JJC. Many colleges do not have armed campus police.

Trustee Morales indicated that she also attended the seminar on financial aid. She learned that there is a company called Ed America that offers software that helps colleges to be able to do more electronically to ease the burden of paperwork. Good customer service was discussed, such as simple explanations of what is needed for financial aid. Standards of Progress where we reach out to the students to let them know what is needed and why it is needed. Trustee Morales indicated that she also attended a session on a program that Waubensee currently has and will be speaking with Dr. Farmer further on this program. Waubensee buses students for the first and second period to the college and then buses them back. This gives the high school students good exposure to the college. The high school actually picks up the costs of this program. Trustee Morales will be sending this information to Dr. Farmer to see if we might want to model what Waubensee is doing to help promote the college and increase enrollment. Trustee Morales indicated that she signed up to be on the Latino Association of Community College Trustees (LACCT), so she is officially on that constituency group. Another thing that she heard was that many colleges and Trustees were discussing that they would like to see the faculty unions be more open and receptive to hiring minority full-time faculty. Dr. Marcink commented that the faculty union does not hire the faculty. The faculty union does recommend through hiring committees. Dr. Marcink indicated that it is improperly stated when it is said that the faculty union should hire minorities. Trustee Morales indicated that she probably said it improperly. HR sets everything up and then there is a committee that makes the recommendation. Dr. Marcink indicated that even though the committee makes the recommendation, those recommendations do not have to be approved. We are committed to bringing more diversity to our faculty. We have stated this on numerous occasions and have had meetings with HR and are working toward this commitment. Dr. Marcink stated that this has come up before and the impression is that we are not trying. We are doing whatever it takes to make sure that this happens. Trustee Morales thanked Dr. Marcink and indicated that whoever is doing the hiring needs to stay committed and we need to work harder to make sure we are giving opportunities to everyone.

Trustee Mahalik indicated that one of the most interesting sessions he attended was engaging students and promoting equity via chat box. Trustee Mahalik learned that the younger generation is removing their emails and like to communicate using only three words. Eighty-five percent is by chat boxes with the younger generation and prefer not to read and use only three-word texts. Ms. Rohder-Tonelli commented that JJC has chat available on our website and is located in key prospect areas. We are using HubSpot which has a chat box tool and is more on the manual side. It is up 24/7 so if someone does ask a question at off hours we have artificial intelligence available; however, if it cannot be answered we have an automated message and whoever gets in the office first can respond to the question. In the future, we would like to be able to do more automated responses so it is not so intensive on manual labor. We have been able to strengthen our website in areas that we receive repetitive questions. Even though it is not across the website, it has been a great educational tool. Trustee Mahalik commented that he was very happy to hear that we are already doing this. Trustee Mahalik stated that he also attended the prison education session and asked if JJC was involved in this type of scenario. President Mitchell indicated that right now, there is another community college doing this; however, their contract will end in the next year and one-half and JJC is in the pipeline for this teaching program. Trustee Mahalik stated that there is a 90 percent success rate for

this population with college education. Student Trustee Marin indicated that the inmates that complete GED's have a 30% chance for not being repeat offenders. If the inmates complete a two-year program it goes up to a 50% of not being a repeat offender and with a four-year degree it is virtually 100% of not being a repeat offender. This is an opportunity for our college to help our underserved population as that is one of the reasons for community colleges. Student Trustee Marin feels strongly that JJC should look into a re-entry program for our inmates. The three panelists at this session were in prison for a very long time, but are leading successful lives now. President Mitchell indicated that she and Dr. Fletcher went to the Joliet Treatment Facility and met with the manager. Lakeland Community College currently has a contract with the Department of Corrections which expires in one and one-half years and JJC will be strongly expressing interest. We would also like to offer services to the new 200 bed facility as well.

Chairman Wunderlich indicated that years ago we had an individual who worked at JJC in the prison program. This person worked his way up through the system at JJC and became President, J D Ross. Chairman Wunderlich indicated that he also attended the Gone in 60 Seconds session. He and Trustee Mike O'Connell went to a session on Dual Credit in the Texas community colleges. While the session was very informative, JJC is doing the same thing and feels that we may even be doing it better. He also attended a session that Trustee Morales has already reported on with Harper and Waubesa Colleges helping to acclimate students for community college, with a focus on African American males. Chairman Wunderlich stated that he feels that this conference was good, but not as good as the conferences of past years. There was not much visibility of ACCT personnel and they did not seek feedback from JJC as they have in years past. President Mitchell commented that we will have high visibility in the Chicago leadership congress and have a conference call scheduled for planning and input. Joliet Junior College and College of Dupage will be offering tours and providing busing from Chicago to each of our facilities. President Mitchell stated that she will be speaking with the new president of COD, Brian Caputo, about planning and cost sharing for this event.

Trustee Broderick commented that the theme throughout the conference was determination. Trustee Broderick stated that she attended a session on Building a Strong Team through Retreats and Evaluations. We, as a Board, should be working with our CEO and holding her responsible for running the College, as well as carefully watching over the College budget. Trustee Broderick indicated that she also attended a session on Bridges to Student Success for High School and Community Colleges that dealt with dual enrollment which helps enrollment at the college and decreases costs for the students when they attend college. Another session attended was Two Degrees in Three Years which came out of Kishwaukee College and they started with the junior high students for exposure to the college. Trustee Broderick commented that she attended a round table on dual credit. Concern was voiced about the fact that even though the students have the degree, is the maturity level of students at a young age appropriate to begin work. The other session attended was Insuring Effective Governance from Onboarding to Assessment. This addressed making sure that as a new Trustee comes on the Board they understand the by-laws and procedures, policies and the benefits of professional development. We need to make sure that the new Trustee feels included and understands the role of a Trustee. Trustee Broderick was appreciative of the glossary of acronyms now included in the board packet each month. The next ACCT conference will be held in Chicago and there will be heavy involvement with city of Chicago and the city colleges; 2021 will be San Diego; 2022 will be Las Vegas; 2023 New Orleans; and 2024 Seattle. Trustee Broderick commented that she has information from the conference such as Together we can Transform Technology into Student Success and we are definitely steps ahead with our implementation of our new ERP system.

Attorney Carl Buck indicated that he attended the conference on his own with no college funds expended. Attorney Buck stated that he went to two days of round table discussions with over 30 general counsel individuals from across the country. We talked about many general issues and some very specific issues. One of the things Attorney Buck discussed with general counsel from California was recreational marijuana. We also discussed the random cyber-attacks. Attorney Buck found the conference very beneficial. Trustee Broderick commented that we all learn when we go to these conferences and bring back information to enrich our college as well as ourselves. It is a good mentoring opportunity and exchange of ideas and practices at other community colleges across the 50 states.

Trustee Broderick indicated that the last ICCTA meeting was on November 8 and 9 in Lisle, IL with President Mitchell and herself in attendance. There were roundtable discussions on: how colleges are addressing the increase in the state's minimum wage; and community college baccalaureate degrees which we are very much interested in pursuing. One of the future topics will be police security. The November 8 keynote speaker was Illinois Lt. Governor Juliana Stratton, who pledged to work with community colleges to propel higher education into the future. Community colleges should be embracing diversity in order to better reflect our changing demographics of our students. There was a panel discussion on Expanding Diversity in the Classroom and Beyond. Retired Command Sargent Major Howard Robinson of National Guard who led the troops deployed to New Orleans after hurricane Katrina, shared his experiences with diversity and what he experienced during his time in New Orleans. Mark Wiley, Board Chair of Prairie State, was also on the panel and offered his experience as a 20-year veteran of the Cook County Sheriff's Department and why we need to be concerned about diversity was discussed. Another panelist, Dr. Diane Rosario, assistant provost of the College of Dupage, gave a full presentation on what COD is doing. Trustee Broderick stated that she forwarded this information to President Mitchell and many things they are doing JJC is also doing, but in a different way. Trustee Broderick commented that the 2020 Legislative goals discussed were: protect local control of community colleges; continue MAP funding set-aside; equitable funding for community college operations; Baccalaureate degrees; funding for capital construction projects assembly; and adequate funding for adult education programs. The next meeting is scheduled for February 9-12 during the ACCT Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C. Trustee Broderick pointed out that there is a sheet in front of the Board from Jim Reed of ICCTA on his presentation and take-backs of our Board Retreat.

9.3
Student
Trustee
Report

Student Trustee Marin indicated that she would like to share the following report this evening: Trunk or Treat was held on October 25th with over 1200 children attending the event; Rest in Pan on November 1 was a Latinos Unidos initiative and we should be proud that JJC harnesses various cultures; Latinos Unidos is hosting its 3rd annual world tour fashion show on November 22 from 5-9 p.m. and if you see the President of Latinos Unidos you will get a discount on your ticket. Student Trustee Marin indicated that she attended the Collegiate Club Council meeting to help bolster her presence and availability to the students. Margo Underwood spoke about Foster Paloza on December 13th from 4-7 p.m. and has a special focus on foster children. They are in need of donations and specific items. Student Trustee Marin wanted to make everyone aware that JJC offers more than classes as it is also a caring, family type of atmosphere and does many things to help the community. Student Trustee Marin commented that she will be participating in this event and hopes to see other Board members present. Student Trustee advised the Board that she did a Tea with the Student Trustee on the C-concourse. She spoke with the students about whatever they wanted to discuss and one student talked to her about switching her major and had not filed FAFSA and was paying

for her classes on her own. Student Trustee encouraged her to file FAFSA and told her that she would help her if she needed her to do so. There were students that indicated that they would like to be involved, but did not know how to do so. Student Trustee Marin indicated that they should go to OSA where there is list of clubs and activities and events for students to participate in at the College. She wanted the Board to know that she did not hear negative comments about the College. Student Trustee Marin stated that she did get to connect with many students and saw that JJC has students from all walks of life and everyone has a story. Trustee Marin recommended that the Board consider a round table with the students to share their knowledge and expertise with them, which would mean so much to the students. Student Trustee Marin commented that she would love for the Board to see what she sees and hear what she hears. She also attended a leadership session hosted by OSA. They had a guest speaker, Dr. Ken Vole, and he spoke to applying leadership skills in careers and she learned a good deal. Student Trustee Marin feels that every student can be a leader if they have the resources to go to for information. This inspired her to speak this evening and come out of her shell a bit. She offered thanks to President Mitchell, Ms. Tierney, and everyone for their help along the way. Student Trustee Marin stated that she wants to continue to be a champion for JJC. JJC was the first and should continue to be the first in as many things as possible. Trustee Broderick indicated that ICCTA is discussing training for our student trustees as they are a vital part of the board and the voice of the students to the Board. Student Trustee Marin indicated that she spoke with Dr. Farmer about the position kind of being a learn as you go situation and would love to be a mentor for the incoming student trustee.

9.4
Buildings &
Grounds
Report

Trustee Dan O'Connell indicated that the committee met before the meeting tonight. We reviewed the bids status and the glazing replacement windows bid was approved this evening. Next March there will be a need for the repair and refreshing of the Romeoville entrance way which needs to go out to bid. We are replacing air handling units in J building which is a CDB project. We are currently working on the keyless entry project Phase XI and camera replacements Phase II for Weitendorf and Romeoville campuses. We also reviewed projects status for: City Center Campus; JJC Police Department space; the U-shell space, ERP planning update and the new student bridge. Further discussion ensued on the solar panels and it was indicated that they should be installed this summer.

9.5
President's
Report

President Mitchell indicated that she would like to commend Student Trustee for such a great report this evening and thanked her for all that she is doing in her role.
ACCT highlights –

- Board & CEO Partnerships to Advance Student Success
 - Board & President active in the community to strengthen partnerships, supporting our students
 - Conversational communications, recommending no actions or response, but to share information with president to follow up
 - Helped to increase scholarships, which we have, and sharing the good works of the college...we have so much
- Update on Federal Legislative Priorities
 - FY 2020 Appropriations for both the House and Senate Funding Bills
 - Higher Education Act Reauthorization
 - FAFSA simplification – One time filing, will tie to other federal needs
 - PELL grant for short-term programs
 - Second chance Pell Grant eligibility
 - DACA
- Two Degrees in Three Years – Partnership between CC and Four-Year

- HS students excited about the opportunity to earn college level credits (much like our dual credit)
- FT faculty and adjuncts teaching in high schools, being embraced
- HS teachers are evaluated same as adjunct faculty

ICCCP Highlights:

- Spring 2020 Legislative Agenda Items
 - MAP Grant Program – following Governor Pritzker’s proposed \$50 million increase for FY ’21 budget
 - Protect Local Control – IL community colleges are units of local government. The council maintains a stance of opposition against legislation that would erode the local control of CC districts, and oppose any new unfunded mandates placed on our districts as well.
 - Fund CC Operations – According to the IBHE, IL has cut HE funding in half since FY 2002. The council is seeking a 10 percent increase to the Base Operating and Equalization grants.
 - Change to Affected Annuitant Law – In 2012, the General Assembly established a disincentive for colleges to hire annuitants of SURS. The financial penalty has created an unintended burden for the CC system. We are seeking legislative action to allow for great hiring flexibility.
 - Conferring Baccalaureate Degrees – We are seeking a policy change that will allow CC to offer select bachelor’s degrees, meeting the needs in high-demand fields.

Thank you to those involved in Discover JJC which was a huge success with over 494 students coming out to the College. It was a very well done event.

Joliet Junior College was named in the top 150 U.S. Community Colleges in the country. This accolade means that the college is eligible to compete for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program will award the 2021 Aspen prize.

The award recognizes high achievement and performance based on the following aspects:

- strong and improving student outcomes
- including learning
- completion rates
- employment rates and earnings
- And equity.

In state of Illinois, JJC is part of just 11 eligible institutions. It is also among 15 percent of community colleges nationwide that were invited to apply for the Aspen Prize. Nearly 1000 public two-year colleges were in the pool who were under observation using publicly available data on student outcomes. The administrative team is working with our academic departments on the submission, ensuring we cover all criteria described in the application process. Congratulations to Joliet Junior College employees for their continued efforts in making JJC first choice for working, learning, and cultivating pathways to prosperity!

9.6
Chairman’s
Report

Chairman Wunderlich indicated that he would like to thank everyone who attended the meeting this evening. Chairman Wunderlich wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and if traveling over the holiday, safe travels.

Closed
Session

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Morales that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College go into closed session (7:03 p.m.) under open meetings

act 2 (c) 1 and 2 (c) 11. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O'Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

Return to
Open Session

Trustee Dan O'Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik to return to regular session of the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College at 7:39 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Dan O'Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

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Adjourn

Trustee Dan O'Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik for the meeting to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously.