

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

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College, Illinois Community College District #525, held in the Board Room at Joliet Junior College, 1215 Houbolt Road, Joliet, IL was called to order by Chairman Budzinski at 5:35 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2025.

Trustees Present: Maureen Broderick, Jim Budzinski, Nancy Garcia Guillen (virtual), Diane Harris, Alicia Morales, Joshua Stamborski, and Student Trustee Ryan Queeney.

Trustees Absent: Michelle Lee (unexcused)

Student Trustee Queeney moved, seconded by Trustee Harris to appoint Trustee Stamborski to be the secretary pro-tem for the meeting.

AYES: Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales and Stamborski. ABSTAIN: Broderick. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

Katarina Peterson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.2 Communications**

Kelly Rohder-Tonelli, Executive Director of Strategic Engagement, introduced Tom Durkin, Channahon Village Manger, who spoke about two successful Inter Governmental Agreements the board has supported. The purpose of these agreements was to partner for public improvements that were necessary for development in Channahon.

**1.3.1 Women's History Month Proclamation**

JJC student Katarina Peterson read the proclamation.

Trustee Harris moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College to approve the proclamation. A voice vote was taken. The motion carried.

**1.3.2 Dr. Bob Marcink Appreciation Proclamation**

Dr. Amy Gray read the proclamation.

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Morales, for the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College to approve the proclamation. A voice vote was taken. The motion carried.

Dr. Marcink said it was his honor to serve this institution and all the great people who work here.

#### **1.4 Public Comments**

There were no public comment.

#### **1.5 Moment of Silence**

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.

#### **1.6.1 Center for Student Wellness and Support Report**

Dr. Farmer said that as a Student Trustee, current Trustee Stamborski, advocated for a stronger mental health support system for the JJC student population by raising awareness with the administration in 2023. Dr. Farmer then introduced Dr. Karl Brooks, VP of Student Development, who gave the report which recapped the timeline of the project. Dr. Brooks said this project was in alignment with the JJC strategic plan. He introduced the staff members of the Center for Student Wellness and Support and reviewed the mission statement. Dr. Brooks then reviewed the services that are provided and showed photos of the space and thanked the staff who were involved in the project. Trustee Stamborski thanked everyone and said he felt this service will save someone's life. Cindy Danzell, Director of the Center of Student Wellness Center, then explained some of the services that will be offered.

#### **1.6.2 Faculty Union Report**

Lori Johnson gave the faculty union report thanking Dr. Marcink for his service and said she is hopeful of upcoming faculty. She said that she is excited about the light that is going out in the community relating to the JJC community. This "light" includes the culinary arts program, the Vita free tax preparation program, the biology program and Student Trustee Queeney and their work in student government.

#### **1.6.3 Adjunct Faculty Union Report**

Laurel Dieskow gave the report saying the semester is going well and the union is happy to see the Wellness Center is up and running.

#### **1.6.4 JJC Foundation Report**

There was no verbal report. A written report was provided to the Trustees.

#### **1.6.5 Building and Grounds Committee Report**

Trustee Stamborski said there was no meeting this month but did say that the solar photovoltaic project at the Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center's goal is to eventually remove that campus from the power grid after a 7-year payback period.

#### **1.6.6 Board Policy Committee Report**

Student Trustee Queeney recapped the first and second reads that were on the agenda.

#### **1.6.7 Finance Committee Report**

No report was given.

### **1.6.8 Student Trustee Report**

Student Trustee Queeney gave their report which included an update on the Community College Baccalaureate Association conference they attended in Austin, TX as well as the National Legislative Summit they attended in Washington, D.C. They also provided an updated about recent campus and community events. They then highlighted the upcoming campus and community events including the Board of Trustee Candidate Forum on March 4. The student & campus highlights included the honorable mention the college received from the NTCE which recognizes excellence in art and literary magazine contests and the college and career fair pop-up clothes closet.

### **1.6.9 President's Report**

Dr. Namuo gave his report where he thanked and acknowledged Dr. Bob Marcink on his upcoming retirement and Trustee Stamborski for his work as a Student Trustee on mental health for JJC students. He also highlighted some agenda items before the board today and the current enrollment numbers. His celebration of success included the national competitive cheer program where the JJC team was named the national runner-up of the NJCAA. He also highlighted the EBC program and Chef Muszynski who received an award. Things going on around the district included the Dolly Parton Imagination Library event and he attended the First Look at the Chicago Auto Show due to his being on the board with Habitat for Humanity. Dr. Namuo discussed the JJC partnership with the YMCA where he also serves on the board. Dr. Namuo recapped the 2025 National Legislative Summit conference he attended, the Black Teen Summit event, Educon and the Spring Main Street. The employee spotlight was on the sixty administrative assistants of JJC.

### **1.7 Closed Session #1**

Student Trustee Queeney moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College to move to a closed session at 7:06 p.m. for the reasons of 2(c)6 & 2(c)11.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales and Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

### **1.8 Return to Public Session**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College to return to public session at 8:08 p.m.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales and Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

### **1.9.1 Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on January 15, 2025**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on January 15, 2025 to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales and Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

### **1.10 Approval of Agenda**

Student Trustee Queeney moved, seconded by Trustee Harris, for the agenda to be approved as submitted. A voice vote was taken. Trustee Broderick voted no, all other trustees voted yes. The motion carried.

### **1.11 Approval of Consent Agenda as Presented**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the items identified on the consent agenda to be approved as presented. Trustee Broderick pulled agenda items 3.1; 3.2.1; 3.2.3; 3.2.5; 3.2.8; 3.5 & 4.2 . Trustee Garcia Guillen pulled agenda item 4.3.1. Trustee Morales pulled agenda item 3.9.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales and Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

- 2.1.1 Recommending Tenure for Eleven Faculty Members
- 2.1.2 Recommending Reappointment of Eighteen Non-Tenured Faculty Members
- 2.1.3 Recommending Fourth Year Extension for One Non-Tenured Faculty Member
- 2.1.4 Recommending Fourth Year Extension for One Non-Tenured Faculty Member
- 2.1.5 Recommending Approval of Retirement as Requested by One Faculty Member
- 2.1.6 Recommending Approval of Retirement as Requested by One Faculty Member
- 2.2.1 Classified Staff Report Includes New Hires, Replacements and Separations
- 3.2.2 Bid: Weitendorf Animal Wing Air Handling Unit Replacement
- 3.2.4 Contractual Service: Transcript and Diploma Services
- 3.2.6 Consortium: Projector Replacement
- 3.2.7 Consortium: Student Mental Health Online Services
- 3.2.9 RFP: Campus Master Plan
- 3.2.10 Sole Source: Nurse Aid Testing
- 3.3 Treasurer's Report
- 3.4 Financial Report
- 3.6 Board of Trustees Approval of Capital Development Board Air Handler Replacement
- 3.7 Board of Trustees Approval of No Increase in Tuition Rates and Fees Effective Fall 2025
- 3.8 Board of Trustees Approval of Course Fees Effective Fall 2025
- 4.2.2 11.04.00 Parking and Motor Vehicle Codes

### **PULLED ITEMS**

#### **3.1 Approval to Pay the Listing of Bills for the Period Ending January 31, 2025 as Presented**

Student Trustee Queeney moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. NAYS: Broderick. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

#### **3.2.1 Bid: Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center Solar Photovoltaic Project**

Trustee Garcia Guillen moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

#### **3.2.3 Bid: Weitendorf Restroom Upgrades**

Trustee Garcia Guillen moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney

avored the motion. The motion carried.

**3.2.5 Contractual Service: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Training Services**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**3.2.8 Professional Service: Audit Services**

Student Trustee Queeney moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**3.5 Board of Trustees Approval of the Sale of College Personal Property**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Garcia Guillen, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**3.9 Board of Trustees Approval of Renaissance Center Banquet Operation Lease Amendment**

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Morales, for the agenda item to be tabled.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**4.2.1 01.41.00 Trustees' Travel Budget**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Student Trustee Queeney, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. NAYS: Broderick. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**4.3.1 05.02.00 Prohibition of Sexual Discrimination and Sexual Harassment (Title IX Allegations)**

Trustee Garcia Guillen moved, seconded by Trustee Morales, for the agenda item to be tabled.

AYES: Broderick, Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried

**4.1 First Reading of Board Policies**

Attorney Kopman answered Trustee Broderick's question regarding if trustees are able to leave their seats to become a citizen to address the board during public comments. Attorney Kopman said per the IL Attorney's decision, the answer is no.

**4.4 Board Resolution 2025R01 – Approval of a Vote of No Confidence as to Trustee Michelle Lee**  
Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the agenda item to be approved as submitted.

AYES: Budzinski, Garcia Guillen, Harris, Morales & Stamborski. NAYS: Broderick. Student Trustee Queeney favored the motion. The motion carried.

**5.1 Representative to ICCTA/ACCT Report**

Trustee Harris gave her report recapping the Public Policy and Advocacy Meeting at the NLS conference as she sits on this committee. She also attended the Advocacy Leadership Academy and recapped the funding priorities for community colleges and higher education legislation priorities sessions she attended. Trustee Harris said IL Senators Durbin and Duckworth addressed the ICCTA delegation. She also reminded everyone of the upcoming submission deadlines for the ICCTA awards.

**5.2 Trustee Updates**

Trustee Morales gave a recap of her attendance at the NLS conference in Washington, D.C.

Trustee Garcia Guillen thanked her fellow trustees for holding each other accountable and said she is keeping an eye on the executive orders from the White House that are related to higher education. She is also grateful for the JJC Mental Health program at JJC.

Trustee Stamborski acknowledged Dr. Bob Marcink and said he is also grateful for the board keeping themselves accountable. He also is thankful for the mental health facilities at JJC.

Trustee Queeney said they were contacted by the President of the ICCTA to attend the next meeting as the Student Trustee speaker to discuss the importance of community college baccalaureate degrees. They are also planning on attending the Student Advisory Council Advocacy Day at the state capital.

Trustee Harris congratulated Dr. Namuo for being one of the finalists of the ACCT CEO of the year award. She said she is also supportive of community college baccalaureate degrees.

Trustee Broderick said the vote of no confidence of Trustee Lee will end up in court and she acknowledged her displeasure with Trustees Harris and Garcia Guillen going to the GLI conference.

**5.3 Chair Report**

Chairman Budzinski thanked everyone for coming.

**6. Closed Session #2**

There was no closed session.

**8. Adjournment**

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Stamborski, for the meeting to adjourn at 9:29 p.m. A voice vote was taken. The motion carried unanimously.