

# ICCTA *BOARD HIGHLIGHTS*

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February 14, 2014

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its February 10, 2014 meeting at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C.:

- Adopted the association's [2014 state legislative agenda](#) (enclosed);
- Distributed a list of [federal legislative priorities](#) affecting community colleges (enclosed);
- Reminded trustees and presidents of ICCTA's February 12 meeting with U.S. Sens. Richard Durbin and Mark Kirk;
- Previewed possible issues that may emerge during the spring 2014 state legislative session, including the Fair Tax Amendment, capital appropriations, Illinois Veterans Grants, and expanded user taxes on services;
- Received positive news on the College Insurance Program for community college retirees. Thanks to the new Medicare Advantage program and a \$36-million payment from the state of Illinois, the processing cycle for medical claims has been reduced from 400 days to less than 100 days;
- Learned that ICCTA's [March 14 luncheon](#) will feature a presentation by new Illinois Board of Higher Education executive director Dr. James Applegate. In addition, the association's [March 14 seminars](#) will focus on: 1) the implementation of pension reform, and 2) a leadership presentation by the Illinois Community College Board's Student Advisory Committee;
- Were informed that ICCTA will be working with ICCB and other constituencies to develop a PR campaign observing the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Illinois community college system in 2015;
- Heard reports from ICCB, the Illinois Presidents Council, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, and the Association of Community College Trustees;
- Were acknowledged by ACCT chair Leroy Mitchell for Illinois' strong support and continued participation in ACCT's annual National Legislative Summit;
- Were invited to assist ACCT in identifying potential keynote speakers, student artists, college exhibits, etc., for ACCT's [October 22-25 Leadership Congress](#) in Chicago;
- Received an update on ICCTA's [Reel Illinois](#) student film competition. To date, 63 students have registered for the film-making seminar;
- Learned that former ICCTA presidents Jim Ayers (Parkland) and Reggie Coleman (John Wood) will serve as co-chairs of the association's Nominating Committee; and
- Congratulated ICCTA office manager Stephanie Spann on earning her Certified Association Executive designation.

## **ENCLOSURES**

- ICCTA's [2014 state legislative goals](#)
- 2014 [federal legislative priorities](#)



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**UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**FEBRUARY 2014**

- Feb. 15 Deadline to register for [Reel Illinois](#) film-making seminars
- Feb. 28 Nomination deadline for [ICCTA alumnus, equity, trustee, student trustee, and professional board staff member awards](#)

**MARCH 2014**

- March 14 [Illinois Presidents Council meeting](#), Sheraton Hotel, Lisle  
[ICCB Student Advisory Committee awards banquet](#), Sheraton Hotel, Lisle
- March 14-15 [ICCTA seminars and Board of Representatives meetings](#), Sheraton Hotel, Lisle
- March 21 [ICCB meeting](#), Danville Area Community College, Danville
- March 26 Governor's budget message, State Capitol, Springfield
- March 28 Nomination deadline for [ICCTA faculty, business/industry, peace, and student essay awards](#)

**APRIL 2014**

- April 1 [IBHE meeting](#), College of Lake County, Grayslake  
Phi Theta Kappa All-Illinois awards banquet, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield
- April 2 Student Advocacy Day, State Capitol Complex, Springfield
- April 2-4 ICCTA Professional Administrative Assistants Conference, Springfield
- April 5-8 [American Association of Community Colleges convention](#), Washington, D.C.
- April 9 [ISAC meeting](#), Location TBA
- April 29 ICCTA committee and board meetings, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield  
Illinois Presidents Council meeting, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield
- April 30 ICCTA Lobby Day, State Capitol Complex, Springfield

**MAY 2014**

- May 31 Adjournment of the 98<sup>th</sup> Illinois General Assembly's spring session

**JUNE 2014**

- June 3 [IBHE meeting](#), Lewis University, Romeoville
- June 5 Illinois Presidents Council meetings, Hilton Hotel, Springfield
- June 6 [ICCB meeting](#), Hilton Hotel, Springfield
- June 6-7 ICCTA annual convention and Board of Representatives meeting, Hilton Hotel, Springfield
- June 26 [ISAC meeting](#), Triton College, River Grove

The next [ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting](#) will take place  
on Saturday, March 15, at the Sheraton Hotel in Lisle.

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