

# ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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January 25, 2016

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its January 23, 2016 meeting via conference call:

- Adopted the association's [2016 state legislative agenda](#). Six of ICCTA's eight goals focus on state funding;
- Heard that ICCTA president Andrew Bollman is preparing a letter to Gov. Bruce Rauner and the four legislative leaders regarding the impact of the state's Fiscal Year 2016 budget delay on community colleges;
- Were informed of ICCTA's involvement in the new Illinois Coalition to Invest in Higher Education. The coalition brings together higher education officials, students, business owners, and labor leaders to emphasize the positive impact of higher education on the state's economy;
- Learned that Gov. Rauner will deliver his State of the State address on January 27 and his budget address on February 17;
- Discussed community colleges' [2016 federal legislative priorities](#), including President Obama's America's College Promise proposal and the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act;
- Were updated on ICCTA's request for a meeting with U.S. Senators Richard Durbin and Mark Kirk during the February 8-11 [National Legislative Summit](#) in Washington, D.C.; and
- Received reports on activities of the Illinois Community College Board, the Illinois Council of Community College Presidents, the Illinois Board of Higher Education, and the Association of Community College Trustees.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### JANUARY 2016

- Jan. 27 Governor's State of the State address, State Capitol, Springfield
- Jan. 27-28 [Illinois Green Economy Network annual conference](#), Heartland Community College, Normal
- Jan. 28 [Illinois Student Assistance Commission meeting](#), James R. Thompson Center, Chicago
- Jan. 28-29 Illinois Council of Community College Presidents meetings (joint meeting with Chief Academic Officers and Chief Student Services Officers), Heartland Community College, Normal

### FEBRUARY 2016

- Feb. 4-5 [State Universities Retirement System meetings](#), location TBA
- Feb. 8-11 [Community College National Legislative Summit](#), Washington, D.C.
- Feb. 17 Governor's budget message, State Capitol, Springfield
- Feb. 26 Nomination deadline for [ICCTA Distinguished Alumnus Award, Equity and Diversity Award, Gigi Campbell Student Trustee Excellence Award, Professional Board Staff Member Award, and Ray Hartstein Trustee Achievement Award](#)



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## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### **MARCH 2016**

- March 1 [Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting](#), DeVry University, Chicago
- March 10-11 [State Universities Retirement System meetings](#), location TBA
- March 11 [Illinois Council of Community College Presidents meetings](#), Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard
- March 11-12 [ICCTA Board of Representatives and committee meetings](#), Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard  
[Illinois Community College Board Student Advisory Committee meetings](#), Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard
- March 15 Primary election
- March 18 [Illinois Community College Board meetings](#), District 214 Central Office, Arlington Heights

### **APRIL 2016**

- April 1 Nomination deadline for [ICCTA faculty, business/industry, peace, and student essay awards](#)
- April 1 [Illinois Student Assistance Commission](#) meeting, Chicago
- April 9-12 [American Association of Community Colleges convention](#), Chicago, Illinois
- April 19 [Phi Theta Kappa All-Illinois awards banquet](#), President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield
- April 20 [Student Advocacy Day](#), State Capitol, Springfield
- April 21 [SURS meeting](#), location TBA
- April 29 [Illinois Board of Higher Education board retreat](#), Chicago (contingent on budget)

### **MAY 2016**

- May 3 [ICCTA committee and board meetings](#), Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield
- May 4 [ICCTA Lobby Day](#), INB Conference Center and State Capitol Complex, Springfield
- May 31 Scheduled adjournment of the Illinois General Assembly, State Capitol, Springfield

The next [ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting](#) will take place on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at the Westin Lombard Yorktown Center in Lombard, Illinois. Contact ICCTA at 1-800-454-2282 or [iccta@communitycolleges.org](mailto:iccta@communitycolleges.org) for more information.