

ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

November 17, 2015

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its November 14, 2015 meeting at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Schaumburg, Illinois:

- Observed a moment of silence for those affected by the November 12 terrorist attacks in Paris;
- Acknowledged local board travel constraints by voting to cancel ICCTA's February 8 board meeting in Washington, D.C., and substitute an in-state meeting in January 2016 via videoconference or conference call;
- Directed ICCTA staff to prepare a resolution urging Illinois lawmakers to pass a Fiscal Year 2016 state budget;
- Learned that participants in ICCTA's Trustee Roundtable discussed how local colleges are managing the fiscal crisis caused by the lack of a state budget. Austerity measures include drawing down financial reserves; implementing hiring freezes; suspending adult education, child care, and athletic programs; and significantly increasing tuition;
- Received an [update on state legislative issues](#), including two bills of interest to community colleges:
 - House Bill 4381 – full funding for adult education
 - House Bill 4321 – funding for higher education and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.
- Urged trustees to contact their legislators and share stories of students whose lives and education have been disrupted by the lack of state funding;
- Discussed the Illinois House of Representatives' November 10 Committee of the Whole, which heard testimony from community college presidents Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs (Danville) and Dr. Lori Sundburg (Carl Sandburg);
- Were informed that ICCTA's November 13 "[Legal, Legislative and Ethics Update](#)" received high marks. The seminar featured sessions on the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, the Freedom of Information Act, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, and the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act;
- Heard that the Illinois Community College Board has adopted three [Board Goals](#): 1) smooth transition into and through post-secondary education; 2) enhanced accountability and data collection; 3) development of a robust career pathway system;
- Welcomed new City Colleges of Chicago board chair Dr. Charles Middleton, who addressed trustees and presidents during ICCTA's November 12 luncheon;
- Congratulated trustees William Kelley (Harper) and Dr. Clare Ollayos (Elgin) on their election to the board of directors of the Association of Community College Trustees;
- Adopted a [resolution honoring the late former ICCTA president Dr. D. Wayne Green](#) (Carl Sandburg);
- Received reports on the activities of ICCB, the ICCB Student Advisory Committee, the Illinois Community College Presidents Council, the Association of Community College Trustees; and
- Thanked ICCTA's November meeting sponsors OpTerra Energy Services and Robbins Schwartz.



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

NOVEMBER 2015

- November 18 [Illinois Student Assistance Commission meeting](#), University of Illinois at Chicago
- November 18-20 [Illinois Council of Community College Administrators' annual conference](#), Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Normal
- November 20 [Illinois Community College Board meeting](#), Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield

DECEMBER 2015

- December 1 [Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting](#), DePaul University, Chicago
- December 10–11 [State Universities Retirement System meetings](#), location TBA

JANUARY 2016

- January [ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting](#), date and location TBA
- January 15-16 [ICCB Student Advisory Committee meetings](#), Hilton Hotel, Springfield
- January 22 [ICCB meeting](#), Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield
- January 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

- February 4-5 [State Universities Retirement System meetings](#), location TBA
- February 8-11 [Community College National Legislative Summit](#), Washington, D.C.
- February 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](#)

MARCH 2016

- 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 18 [Illinois Community College Board meetings](#), Spoon River College, Canton

***The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place in January 2016.
Details on date and location will be announced soon.***