

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT #505
(Parkland College)**

**Counties of Champaign, Coles, Dewitt, Douglas, Edgar,
Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, McLean, Moultrie, Piatt, Vermilion, and State of Illinois**

September 20, 2023

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by James Voyles, Chairman, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held electronically via Teams and in Room U325, 2400 W. Bradley, Champaign, Illinois. At the direction of Chair Voyles, Krystal S. Garrett, Assistant to the President/Board of Trustees, called the roll of members of the committee. The following trustees and committee members were present: James Ayers, Ron Bensyl, Bianca Green, Diane Michaels, Carolyn Ragsdale, Dana Trimble, and James Voyles. Also present were President Pamela Lau, representatives of the administration, faculty, staff, and public. Trustees Banks, Clem, and Mobo (Student Trustee) were absent.

It was moved by Mr. Ayers and seconded by Ms. Green to allow Trustee Trimble to attend the meeting electronically via Teams due to family illness.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES—Ayers, Bensyl, Green, Michaels, Ragsdale, Voyles; NAYS—None; ABSENT—Banks, Clem, Mobo (Student Trustee); ABSTAIN—Trimble.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chairman opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

It was moved by Ms. Michaels and seconded by Mr. Bensyl to approve the minutes of the Decennial Committee Meeting held on May 17, 2023.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES—Ayers, Bensyl, Green, Michaels, Ragsdale, Trimble, Voyles; NAYS—None; ABSENT—Banks, Clem, Mobo (Student Trustee).

DECENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Stephanie Stuart provided a report of the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency. She reviewed Part 1, which covered the mission and external relationships of the college. She noted that the college operates under the Public Community College Act (110 ILCS 805/). She reviewed the ways the college carries out its mission, which includes

conferring of degrees, learning and training opportunities, cultural and educational programs, and HLC accreditation.

She also reviewed Parkland's external relationships, stakeholders, educational and industry partners, and the ways these relationships provide opportunities for students. Many of our technical programs have advisory committees, which provide very important input on the college's academic offerings.

Ms. Stuart reviewed Parkland's strong relationships with government entities and community-based organizations, and the way the college works with legislators to advance the student and college needs for funding.

The committee reviewed and discussed items in the report that they would like clarified or revised. VP Stuart will work on those revisions and share the final draft at the next meeting.

Mr. Randles reviewed the Physical Facilities Report. A handout was provided. He shared updates on the spaces of the college and how they are being used. One of the things we strive to do is be green and energy efficient. Would like to look at control systems and come up with a unified plan on where we see us going. A lot of demands on us and the annual plan of things that need to be done but we can't do them all, so need to prioritize. Mr. Randles noted that he will discuss at the Board meeting how some of these items could be addressed by the fund balance.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Ayers and seconded by Mr. Trimble for adjournment.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES—Ayers, Bensyl, Green, Michaels, Ragsdale, Trimble, Voyles; NAYS—None; ABSENT—Banks, Clem, Mobo (Student Trustee).

The committee agreed to the following meeting dates, to be held in Room U325 at 6:00 p.m.

- October 18, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

James Voyles, Chair
Board of Trustees

Maureen Banks, Secretary
Board of Trustees