



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Community College District No. 522
Marsh Conference Room
Belleville Campus
October 6, 2021
(Amended and resubmitted March 16, 2022)

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District #522 was held Wednesday, October 6, 2021 in the Marsh Conference Room at the Belleville Campus, 2500 Carlyle Avenue, Belleville, Illinois. Vice Chairman Richard Roehrkasse called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Trustees present:

John S. Blomenkamp
Steve Campo
Mya Gill, Student Trustee (arrived at 5:37 p.m.)
Charles Hannon
Robert G. Morton
Nick Raftopoulos
Richard Roehrkasse
Sara Soehlke

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

RESIGNATION

Ms. Soehlke moved, seconded by Mr. Campo, to accept the resignation of Trustee John Blomenkamp as Board Chair. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Morton, Mr. Raftopoulos, Mr. Roehrkasse, and Ms. Soehlke. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Gill (opinion). **PASSED**

APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY BOARD CHAIR

Mr. Campo moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to nominate Board Attorney Garrett Hoerner as temporary Board Chair. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Campo, Mr.

Hannon, Mr. Morton, Mr. Raftopoulos, Mr. Roehrkasse, and Ms. Soehlke. Nays: Mr. Blomenkamp. Absent: Ms. Gill (opinion). **PASSED**

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD CHAIR

Temporary Board Chair Hoerner requested nominations for the office of Board Chair. Mr. Campo moved, Ms. Soehlke seconded, to nominate Trustee Nick Raftopoulos for the office of Board Chair.

Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Mr. Campo, to close the nominations. Following a voice vote, the motion carried.

Temporary Board Chair Hoerner requested a motion to approve Trustee Nick Raftopoulos as Board Chair. Ms. Soehlke moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to approve Trustee Nick Raftopoulos as Board Chair. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Raftopoulos, and Ms. Soehlke. Nays: Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Roehrkasse. Absent: Ms. Gill (opinion). **PASSED**

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD VICE CHAIR

Board Chair Raftopoulos requested nominations for the office of Board Vice Chair. Mr. Hannon moved, Ms. Soehlke seconded, to nominate Trustee Steve Campo for the office of Board Vice Chair.

Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Ms. Soehlke, to close the nominations. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: Mr. Morton and Mr. Roehrkasse. Present: Mr. Blomenkamp. Absent: Ms. Gill (opinion). **PASSED**

Board Chair Raftopoulos requested a motion to approve Trustee Steve Campo as Board Vice Chair. Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Ms. Soehlke, to approve Trustee Steve Campo as Board Vice Chair. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Roehrkasse. Absent: Ms. Gill (opinion). **PASSED**

EXTENSION OF CITY OF BELLEVILLE TIF DISTRICT #3

Mr. Campo moved, seconded by Mr. Morton, to adopt resolution by title only to extend for twelve years the City of Belleville TIF District #3 set to expire in December 2021. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Ms. Gill (opinion), Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Morton, Mr. Roehrkasse, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: None. **PASSED**

Mr. Morton moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to adopt the resolution to extend for twelve years the City of Belleville TIF District #3 set to expire in December 2021. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Ms. Gill (opinion), Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Morton, Mr. Roehrkasse, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: None. **PASSED**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Mr. Campo, to move into Executive Session at 5:40 p.m. to discuss personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)). Upon a roll call vote those members voting aye were Ms. Gill (opinion), Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Morton, Mr. Roehrkasse, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: None.
PASSED

There was consensus to return to regular session at 6:06 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Campo moved, seconded by Mr. Hannon, to adopt by title only Resolution Authorizing Reduction-in-Force of Chief Human Resources and Operations Officer. Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Ms. Gill (opinion), Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Roehrkasse. **PASSED**

Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Mr. Campo, to adopt Resolution Authorizing Reduction-in-Force of Chief Human Resources and Operations Officer. Trustee Blomenkamp read the entirety of the Resolution.

Trustee Blomenkamp also read the following statement to be a part of the minutes for the public record:

“Let it be known that SWIC is NOT in financial crisis. The 2021-2022 Budget was passed with a projected \$32.6M in the Education Fund.

We are here tonight because the resolution that was passed on September 22, 2021 (which was planned, produced and affirmed by four trustees) was not according to the law and was a violation of the Open Meetings Act.

The administration, nor I, or Bob Morton or Richard Roehrkasse had any previous knowledge of planning or discussions of reduction-in-force prior to the September 22, 2021 Board meeting.”

Upon a roll call vote, those trustees voting aye were Ms. Gill (opinion), Mr. Campo, Mr. Hannon, Ms. Soehlke, and Mr. Raftopoulos. Nays: Mr. Blomenkamp, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Roehrkasse. **PASSED**

BOARD RETREAT

Trustee Hannon suggested having the ICCTA conduct a retreat. Discussion ensued concerning the purpose/s and benefit/s of a retreat.

There was consensus to move forward with having the ICCTA conduct a Board retreat. President Mance will contact Jim Reed, Executive Director of the ICCTA, to coordinate the arrangements.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hannon moved, seconded by Ms. Soehlke, to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. Upon a voice vote the motion carried.

Approved: **03.16.22**

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Raftopoulos
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Beverly J. Fiss
Secretary to the Board of Trustees