

Highlights from the December 18, 2008 Board Meeting

Regular Board Meeting

The topics listed below essentially follow the agenda for the meeting which is available at <http://www.mchenry.edu/Administration/121808.asp>

President's Report

Enrollment

Our enrollment for the Spring semester is very strong; as of end of business on 12/17/08, we have a 14% increase in spring semester enrollment compared to this equivalent date last year. This equates to 44,011 credit hours of registration for the Spring 2009 semester.

Recognition of our Faculty

Students transferring to Western Illinois University have named two instructors in the Human & Public Services/Social Sciences Division as their "most inspirational teachers." Through an anonymous survey administered to incoming students at Western, Dave White, one of our History instructors, and Ron Geary, one of our Criminal Justice instructors, have been named Most Inspirational Teacher in recognition of excellence in preparing the next generation for academic achievement and leadership.

Athletics

The Lady Scots volleyball team finished 13th at nationals in their fourth consecutive appearance. Head Coach Chas Kennedy was named the region and conference Coach of the Year. MCC Volleyball Outside Hitter, Shaela Hayden from Harvard has been named a NJCAA Division II Second Team All-American and Conference Player of the Year. Hayden, along with Amy Reynolds and Cat Martin, were also named First team All-Region and First Team All-Conference.

Grants Office

Caroline Sobolak, MCC Resource Development Specialist, authored an article titled "Unlocking the Mystery of www.census.gov" which was recently published in the *Journal of the American Association of Grant Professionals*. The article explains how the U.S. Census site can be utilized to find data to support grant applications.

Presentation

- **Service Learning Project in Women's Health Issues Class** – The scheduled presentation was postponed due to weather. The Board indicated that they looked forward to hearing this presentation at an upcoming meeting.

Faculty Contract

The Board approved [Board Report #08-265](#), Agreement between Board of Trustees and McHenry County College Faculty Association.

Consent Agenda

All items listed on the Consent Agenda were approved except for Board Report #08-274, *President's Reception Banquet Services*, and Board Report #08-281, *Board Policy Revision, Policy 1.8.4.4.5, Telephonic Voting*. Both items were postponed until the January meeting.

- Board Report #08-274, *President's Reception Banquet Services* – Because of the difficult economic times, Trustees asked the administration to consider other potential venues (possibly not-for-profit organizations) to hold the President's Reception. We will review other potential options and present them to the Board in January.
- Board Report #08-281, *Board Policy Revision, Policy 1.8.4.4.5, Telephonic Voting* – The Board's typical practice is to postpone items related to Board policy until the following regular meeting to provide adequate time for Trustees to thoroughly consider the implications of the policy before action.

Personnel

- **Appointments** – The Board approved the following appointments:
 - **Carol Radovich** has been appointed to the new position of Instructor of Nursing/Lab, effective January 7, 2009.
 - **Rob Rasmussen** has been appointed to the revised position of Director of Network Services, effective January 5, 2009.
 - **Eric Rodriguez** has been appointed to the position of Replacement Multicultural Recruiter, effective January 6, 2009. This position was formerly held by Adina Walker, who resigned.
 - **Purvi Patel** has been appointed to the position of Replacement Student Development Advisor, effective January 6, 2009. This position was formerly held by Rachel Najdzin, who was appointed to the position of full-time Student Development Advisor.
 - As the result of the Academic and Student Services Reorganization, the areas of Professional Development, Resource Development, and Student Outcomes Assessment will become part of the area of Institutional Effectiveness. Due to these increased responsibilities, **Kathleen Plinske's** position has been revised to Associate Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness, effective January 5, 2009.

- **Resignation** – The Board approved the following resignations:
 - **Susan Richmond, Instructor of Nursing**, has submitted her resignation effective January 9, 2009. Given the demand for Nursing classes, it is preferable to fill this position before the Spring semester begins. Accordingly, the Board granted authorization to appoint an Instructor of Nursing so that the College may have a full-time instructor in place for the start of the Spring semester.

Information Reports

This month a number of information reports were included in the Board packet. I encourage you to review them in the online Board packet available at <http://www.mchenry.edu/Administration/121808packet.pdf>

The information reports are found near the end of the packet. Highlights include:

- **Update on Shah Center Classroom Build-Out** - included in this month's packet is a brief information report outlining the progress we have made on the build-out of the Shah Center. Currently the project is coming in under our originally estimated budget.
- **ERP Update** - included in the packet is the monthly update regarding the ERP project. You will notice that we have completed our first two milestones of documenting the business requirements for CampusVue and CampusVantage. Key accomplishments this month include:
 - First three weeks of mapping and configuration for CampusVue have been completed.
 - Data extracts were delivered to Campus Management in preparation for user validation testing beginning in January.