MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 525  
JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE

1.0 Call to Order
The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College Illinois Community College District #525 held at, Joliet Junior College, 1215 Houbolt Road, Board Room, Joliet, IL was called to order by Chairman Wunderlich at 5:35 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

1.0.1 Roll Call
Present: Maureen Broderick, Nancy Garcia, Jake Mahalik, Alicia Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell, Bob Wunderlich

Student 
Trustee Present: Shalma Marin

Welcome 
Chairman Wunderlich welcomed the guests to the Joliet Junior College regular monthly Board meeting.

Pledge 
Mr. Wayne King led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0.5 Public Comments
Chairman Wunderlich indicated that we do not have any requests to speak before the Board this evening.

1.1.1 Textbook Affordability
President Mitchell invited Ms. Helen Makos, Assistant Director Auxiliary Service to the podium to make the presentation on Textbook Affordability. Ms. Makos thanked the Board for the opportunity to give her power point presentation on the strides that the college has made for more affordable textbooks for our students. The power point consisted of the following: the changing of the textbook market at a glance; highlights of different things that the JJC bookstore is doing for affordability for our students; provided cost savings to students on rentals; provided cost savings to students using digital access; other savings using E-Books, Subscriptions, and Open Educational Resources. Trustee Broderick asked if we offer competitive pricing for books or match prices offered from other retailers. Ms. Makos indicated that at this time there is not a program to match prices. Our online comparison does give us a matrix about our students using this comparison and we know that we are about 70% competitive. Mr. Galick commented that a student can enter their book on this comparison website and they can see the prices from other competitors and if JJC is not the cheapest they can click the link to the competitor to order the book. Chairman Wunderlich asked how the book buyback program is doing under this scenario. Ms. Makos stated that there has been a steady decline in the program.

1.1.2 Strategic 
President Mitchell requested that Dr. Fletcher come to the podium to address the Board on the Strategic Plan. Dr. Fletcher indicated that he appreciates the opportunity to present an
update on the 2020-2023 Strategic Plan. At this time we are concluding the data collecting portion of the discovery of survey feedback. The survey went to students, staff, faculty, adjunct faculty and our community partners. The survey sought to gather feedback from various groups on certain pieces of the current strategic plan, such as mission and vision, etc. as well as a focus on the new strategic plan which is in the developmental process. The student survey will close on May 10 and the data will be analyzed and we will use that data for the SWAT analysis that is taking place simultaneously with the data collection process. As of this morning, we have 124 community partners that have responded to the survey, 252 student responses, 251 faculty, adjunct faculty and staff responses have been received so a total of 627 feedback responses have been received from the survey. This feedback will help us develop themes and priorities for the new strategic plan. We will also begin to look at the data from our stakeholder engagement activity. Our consultant was on campus and the interactive sessions were with staff, faculty, adjuncts, students, deans, president’s cabinet, employers and again our community partners which is very crucial as we develop our plans. During these sessions we focused more on the upcoming strategic plan process. Many of the questions asked were on the mission, definition, and priorities. This information and that feedback from the stakeholders will be used to form the new four year strategic plan and focus areas later this summer. Within the stakeholder engagement activities we have talked with an additional 138 individuals, bringing the total interaction with individuals to 765 internally and externally. From a strategic planning viewpoint that is an extremely high yield for feedback. This will help us develop spot-on priorities and develop action plans for our four year strategic plan. We plan to finish the SWAT in May we will then have our consultants come to campus to help us refine and put together a road map for the plan which will be written through June and July. The consultant will be back in July to go through the final draft with the President and President’s Cabinet. Dr. Fletcher indicated that he will be back to the Board with an update on the new Strategic Plan. We welcome feedback from the Board through this entire process and noted that Trustee Mahalik participated in the community interviews. There will be meetings in May and June that board members are welcome to attend. Trustee Morales asked that Ms. Tierney send a text to her with the dates of the meetings in May and June.

1.2 Moment of Silence
Chairman Wunderlich requested that Patty Adler be added to the moment of silence.

1.3 Special Guests
Chairman Wunderlich recognized everyone in the audience this evening as special guests.

1.4.1 Proclamation
Trustee Broderick read the proclamation honoring Providence Catholic High School for its 100th year Anniversary. Trustee Mahalik moved, seconded by Trustee Mike O’Connell that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the proclamation recognizing Providence Catholic High School on its 100th Anniversary. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

1.4.3 Retiree
Trustee Broderick read the resolution honoring Retiree Brenda Roland acknowledging her loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for 26 years from 1993 to 2019. Ms. Roland commented that it is with great joy and mixed emotions that she is retiring. She indicated that it has not been about the destination rather the journey. Ms. Roland indicated that working at JJC has been her mission field. During her time at JJC she has worked with students to achieve their goals. She indicated that she was so happy to be a servant leader for the college and is looking forward to coming back to do some teaching,
Trustee Dan O’Connell read the resolution honoring Retiree James Vidmar, adjunct emeritus status, acknowledging his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for over 37 years from 1981 to 2019. Mr. Vidmar thanked the Board and administration of the college for giving him the opportunity to work with students to help them achieve their goals.

Chairman Wunderlich read the resolution honoring Retiree John Vidmar, adjunct emeritus status, acknowledging his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for over 32 years of service from 1986 to 2019. Mr. Vidmar thanked the Board for the opportunities that he has had during his many years of employment at JJC. He served many years at our North Campus where he was able to interface with many of his students from Romeoville High School.

Trustee Mike O’Connell read the resolution honoring Retiree Wayne King, acknowledging his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for over 33 years of service. Trustee Mike O’Connell commented that it is his privilege to have read the resolution and indicated that even before retirement, Wayne King has built a legacy at JJC and has a field named after him. Trustee Mike O’Connell commented that as time moves on after retirement he has found that with social media past students have connected with him and thanked him for all that he did for them and he is sure that Coach King will experience this greatest satisfaction as well. Coach Wayne King stated that he and his wife truly enjoyed their 33 years at Joliet Junior College, even though he told her it would be for no more than five years. Coach King thanked the Board, Dr. Mitchell and Dr. Farmer and indicated that they all have been outstanding to work for and with during his journey at JJC. He has been through at least eight presidents, many vice presidents and over 30 board members during his years at JJC. Coach King commented that he took his position very seriously and always tried to represent the college in the right way.

Trustee Garcia read the resolution honoring Retiree Walter Stein, acknowledging him for his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for 19 years from 2000 to 2019. Mr. Stein indicated that it has been a good run and he has enjoyed teaching at the college, which is a great place to work. He thanked everyone for the opportunity.

Trustee Morales read the resolution honoring William Swiderski, adjunct emeritus status, acknowledging him for his loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for over 29 years from 1990 to 2019. Mr. Swiderski indicated that many times people would ask him why he is still teaching and he would tell them that when his students come through the door with a diploma or high school equivalency, this is the reason for continuing to teach. A few years ago, we had financial problems with state funding for the college and for the Adult Ed and Literacy program. He thanked the administration and Board for continuing the funding for this program because it is so important to serve this sector of our community.

Student Trustee Marin read the resolution honoring Linda Aguilar, professor emeritus status, acknowledging her for her loyal and dedicated service to Joliet Junior College for over 37 years of service from 1982 to 2019. Ms. Aguilar thanked the Board for the honor. Ms. Aguilar commented that she was a student worker for campus police in 1976. Ms. Aguilar commented that she came back to JJC in the GED area and this is a special passion and calling. She reflected upon her beginning times and the GED graduations where she and staff actually pressed the gowns for the graduates. She shared memories of past
students telling her how much they appreciated her teaching and compassion in the GED and other areas. The success of students has made the journey worth it and she indicated that it has been a privilege to serve the students and faculty of JJC for all of these years.

Trustee Mike O’Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Broderick, that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve agenda items 1.4.2 – 1.4.16 for retirees: Robert Panek, Brenda Roland, James Vidmar, John Vidmar, Donna Robertson, Keith Tillman, Donna Casini, Wayne King, Polly Lavery, Walter Stein, David Filak, David Deemihan, William Swiderski, Susanne Matthews and Linda Aguilar. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion. Chairman asked that all of the retirees present stand up for a round of applause and thanked them for their years of service to the college.

1.4.17 Amended Zales Nature Trails Resolution

Trustee Dan O’Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Broderick that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the amended resolution for the William M. Zale’s Nature Trail. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Dan O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Mike O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

1.4.18

Dr. Bob Marcink, President of the Faculty Union, thanked the Board for the opportunity to address them this evening. Dr. Marcink indicated that he would like to recognize two members of the faculty union executive board that are present this evening: Duane Stonitsch and Bill Hogan. Dr. Marcink congratulated Ms. Nancy Garcia on winning a seat on the board in the recent election and indicated that we are pleased to see that our community wants to serve on our Board and faculty looks forward to working together in the upcoming years. Congratulations to our new Student Trustee Shalma Marin who has some big shoes to fill and the faculty is also looking forward to work with her. Everyone can see how much JJC means to our retirees. This is a good place to work and we have many, many great people that work at this college. Dr. Marcink commented he feels it is a privilege to work at Joliet Junior College. We will need to continue to help reduce the cost of textbooks for our students.

1.4.4

There is not an Adjunct Faculty Union report this evening. Chairman Wunderlich read a note from Ms. Dieskow that indicated things have been going well this semester. A few issues have come up but have been addressed and solved without any problems or grievances because of good communications. Everything is going fine with administration and we are looking forward to the start of summer sessions.

1.5.1

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Dan O’Connell that the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held on April 10, 2019 be approved with an addition. We received an email from Dr. Mitchell regarding the enrollment increase of 10% for University of St. Francis which was discussed at the April 10th meeting. After looking into this increase it was noted that the increase in enrollment was actually just under two percent. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

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Ms. Tierney stated that she had not received any further communications.

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Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the agenda be
Agenda approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

1.8 Consent Agenda

Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Mike O’Connell that the items identified as consent agenda items be approved. Trustee Morales requested that agenda items 2.1.2 and 2.5.1 be pulled from the consent agenda.

1.8.1 President recommends approval of salary correction to the appointment of director, financial aid

1.8.3 President requests acceptance of resignation of dean, academic excellence and support

2.9.1 President requests acceptance of the report on replacement of full- and part-time classified employees, as presented

4.1 The President recommends approval to pay the listing of bills for the period ending April 30, 2019 as presented

4.2 The President recommends approval to award bids/contracts as follows under Business Services:

4.2.1 Bid A10 Application Load Balancers

4.2.2 Bid J-Building AHU Upgrades

4.2.3 Bid New Diesel Engine Trainer

4.2.4 Bid Perceptive Content Enterprise Management & Document Imaging System Upgrade

4.2.5 Consortium US Foods

4.2.6 Contractual Service AJAX

4.2.7 Contractual Service Barkley REI

4.2.8 Contractual Service SKC Communications

4.2.9 Sole Source Grundy County Broadcasters

4.2.10 Sole Source Pandora

4.2.11 Sole Source Telemundo Chicago

4.3 Treasurer’s Report

4.4 Financial Report

4.5 Board of Trustees Approval of Resolution to Adopt Tentative FY 2019-2020 Budget

4.6 Board of Trustees Approval of Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement, Redistribution of the Dresden Nuclear Generating Station Annual Credit Trigger Amounts

4.7 Board of Trustees Approval of Third Amended Dresden Power Station Real Property Tax Assessment Settlement Agreement

4.8 Board of Trustees Approval of Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Creating the Dresden Nuclear Generating Station Taxing Bodies Consortium

8.10 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 1.46.00 Bereavement Policy (New)

8.11 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 2.01.06 Discipline: Non-Union Employees (modification #2.2.4)

8.12 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 2.02.02 Administration of the College (modification # 2.3.1)

8.13 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 2.03.00 Internships (modification # 2.11.1)

8.14 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 2.08.00 Photo Identification Card (modification # 2.2.10)

8.15 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 2.22 Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (rescind)

8.16 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 3.17.00 Chronic Communicable Diseases
8.17 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 7.6.3 Speaker’s Policy (rescind)
8.18 Approval and Third Reading Board Policy 7.6 Controversial Issues (rescind)

The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

2.1.2 Director Project Management and Enterprise Architecture
Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the appointment of director, project management and enterprise architecture. Trustee Morales asked if this position was part of the budget for the new IT system. President Mitchell indicated that this is a replacement position for Tanesha Johnson and this position has been vacant for six to eight months. Trustee Morales asked where this position falls in the IT area and if the position has direct reports. Mr. Serr indicated that this position reports directly to him and has approximately 12 positions reporting to it. Trustee Morales commented that for six to eight months we had an interim consultant doing this job. Mr. Serr stated that we had an interim consultant for 40 hours a month who was the same person that was previously in the position. Trustee Morales asked if this position is really needed. Mr. Serr indicated that this is a critical position especially as we go through our ERP modernization project. This position is also responsible for critical network architecture at all of our campuses. Trustee Morales indicated that she doesn’t understand how we could have someone doing the job for 40 hours a month and now we need someone full time to fill the position. Mr. Serr indicated that in addition to this contractor, we had another employee step up to help with the day to day supervisory activities. Trustee Morales asked if this person applied for the job. Mr. Serr indicated that they did not apply for the position because they did not meet the qualifications of the job. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

2.5.1 Clerical Union
Trustee Morales moved, seconded by Trustee Mahalik that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College approve the amendment to the collective bargaining agreement with Joliet Junior College Clerical Council AFT-Local 604, AFT/IFT, AFL-CIO. Trustee Morales asked if this was approval for the Faculty contract. President Mitchell indicated that we will discuss the Faculty contract later, but this is for a one year extension for the Clerical contract. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

6.0
Trustee Broderick indicated that she would like to propose moving the summer meetings Board Business to earlier in the day rather than the evening meetings that we have scheduled. President Mitchell stated that she spoke with the cabinet members and the June meeting would need to be held at the same time due to the adoption of the budget. However, the August meetings would be fine. Trustee Broderick asked the Board how they would feel about day meetings for the month of August. Chairman Wunderlich asked that Ms. Tierney poll the board on this proposal. Trustee Broderick commented that she would also like to discuss she spoke with the Will County Superintendent, Shawn Walsh, as she was concerned about candidates running for the JJC Board. At JJC we run background checks and do fingerprinting for our employees. Ms. Carter indicated that fingerprinting is only done for certain jobs. Trustee Broderick stated that under Illinois code 105-5/10-3 they have the eligibility requirements; 105-5/10-11 vacancy requirements; and 105-5/10/21.9 they talk about criminal and background checks which applies only to employees but not to board candidates. After this past election and seeing some of the credentials of some of our candidates, Trustee Broderick would recommend looking into initiating this practice.
Trustee Broderick stated that she spoke with Shawn Walsh and he indicated that it is not prohibitive for K-12. He suggested that she bring it up to our Board and ask that our attorney look into this issue to see if the Board could have this requirement. Attorney Buck indicated that it would have to be a legislative approval because the election code sets the requirements. We comply with the Public Community College Act and the election code. The Joliet Junior College Board does not have the unilateral authority to set a requirement for the elected official under the Public Community College Act.

Trustee Broderick asked the Board if they would agree to permit her to speak to some of our legislators on this issue. Trustee Mike O’Connell indicated that perhaps ICCTA would be willing to champion this suggestion. Trustee Broderick stated that she believes they would, as several other community colleges have expressed concerns about the requirements to run for a board position. Right now you have to be 18 years of age, have lived in the district for one year and must be a US citizen. Chairman Wunderlich suggested that Trustee Broderick work through ICCTA to ask them to take the lead on this recommendation. Trustee Morales indicated that she would like to make a comment as well on the subject of board candidates and piggybacking off of what Trustee Broderick has mentioned. Trustee Morales indicated that she agrees that we should consider candidates that have a better moral and ethical background. Trustee Morales indicated that having said that, when she ran for office there was a debate at Joliet Junior College, she called ahead of time to see if literature could be available for anyone who was interested in taking further information on the candidates. Ms. Dilday was very adamant that this debate was not for campaigning on the grounds of Joliet Junior College. Ms. Morales stated that this is a forum for candidates which contradicts what was being said. Ms. Dilday indicated that she understood, however no campaign literature should be distributed that evening. Trustee Morales indicated that she had her own opinion, but she respected the rules and did not bring any campaign literature with her. Trustee Morales commented that she received a call from a community member, and she was present at this last debate, and there was literature passed out on behalf of a Trustee that was unable to attend the debate. Trustee Morales asked for a justification on this issue. Attorney Buck stated that since Trustee Morales ran for office a few years back, there has been a change in the policy on Freedom of Expression at the college. Due to the changes in the policy, this year candidates were permitted to bring literature to the candidates’ forum. Within the student government association, they had a bit of a mix-up, but that has since been straightened out. Trustee Morales stated that moving forward, candidates will be able to bring literature, walk in with buttons, etc. Trustee Morales commented that one of the gentlemen running for the Board had his family with him and they were asked not to bring buttons or remove the buttons. Moving forward this will be permitted, correct. Attorney Buck stated that it would be permitted at that type of an event. There are policies about using board meetings to politic which is prohibited not only at JJC but throughout the state. Trustee Morales asked what the numbers are of the board policies being rescinded. Attorney Buck stated that they are in the board packet tonight and they are agenda items 8.17 and 8.18. The Freedom of Expression Board Policy was changed last fall. As the Board goes through its cyclical review of the policies they are reviewed for any changes needed. Trustee Morales commented that the particular policy that permits candidates to distribute literature that is not agenda item 8.17 or 8.18. Attorney Buck stated that it is not as it is more general because it went to pamphlets and leaflets so it wasn’t just political in nature; it also addressed advertising materials and other matters. That is why the Freedom of Expression Board Policy was drafted so that it could be more encompassing and easier to manage for the College and for the public as well. Trustee Morales asked if Attorney Buck knew the number for the Board Policy for the Freedom of Expression. Trustee Buck indicated that he didn’t know the number of the Board Policy but we could forward the information to Trustee Morales for her review. Trustee Morales indicated that she would like to see the policy and thanked Attorney Buck.
Trustee Morales stated that she wants to make sure that we are being consistent and transparent. We should not be giving people an advantage, meaning if we give it to one we have to give it to all to be transparent. Trustee Morales stated that she does not like to get calls that say that she is a board member and she let this happen. Trustee Morales indicated that she will follow up with President Mitchell and Ms. Carter as her understanding is that there was an investigation on this situation. Mr. Buck commented that the number is 3.11.00 if Trustee Morales would want to read the policy.

7. & 8. There were first and second board policy readings in the packet.

9.1 Foundation Report

Trustee Broderick requested that Ms. Kristi Mulvey give the Foundation Report this evening. Ms. Mulvey displayed a power point presentation that consisted of the following: Joliet Junior College Foundation FY 19 support to the college (through April 30, 2019) in the amount of $1,342,427; Budget Snapshot showing the college budget of $502,000 and the return of $1.3 million to the college; FY 19 Endowment Contributions in the amount of $944,393; and an update on the Alumni Advisory Council. Ms. Mulvey commented that if any Board members know of any Alumni that would like to be part of the council, they can call her office. Trustee Morales asked for clarification on the College expense for the Foundation in the amount of $502,000. Ms. Mulvey indicated that is the expense that the college pays for the budget for the Foundation which includes salaries and expenses and in return the college received $1.3 million so far this year. Trustee Morales commented that the endowment just pays back interest correct. Ms. Mulvey stated that the endowment numbers are for the endowments raised this year and the support to the college numbers are broken down in the chart. Trustee Morales asked how big the team in the Foundation was. Ms. Mulvey stated that there are ten staff members, but the salary and benefits for one staff member is paid by the Foundation. Trustee Morales indicated that the budget numbers are expenses to Joliet Junior College and feels it is a bit excessive, but it is what it is. Trustee Morales stated that she received a call from a student who found it difficult to navigate to apply for scholarships and stated it was not user friendly. Trustee Morales asked if there was a worksheet that she could have on how to navigate and apply for a scholarship so she could pass it on to the student. Trustee Morales indicated that she gave the student Ms. Mulvey’s number and asked her to call for help. Trustee Morales asked if the Alumni Council is what has replaced the Alumni Board. Ms. Mulvey indicated that was correct. Trustee Morales asked if there was any chance that we could bring back the Alumni Board. Ms. Mulvey stated that we really don’t see the need for it at this time. She met with many of the Foundation and Alumni Directors from across the state and there is only one left and they will be turning theirs into an advisory committee. Ms. Mulvey indicated that this is basically the same thing. One of the problems we had is that our Alumni Board was never a separate 501c(3), so it was run as a separate board and we weren’t getting a quorum and there were only seven members on the board. We began talking about a change to the structure when Dr. Daniels was President. We feel this will be a better structure and our Alumni members can meet during the day. This will align better with the Foundation and two alumni foundation board members are co-chairing the committee. If we feel that this is not working a couple of years down the road, we can go back, but it is time to try something different. We have struggled to get a quorum and many of the Alumni do not want to come out a night because they have families. We have not lost past members with this new model, except one. Ms. Mulvey welcomed Trustee Garcia to the board and commented that she is an alumni of JJC.

9.2 ICCTA Report

Trustee Broderick indicated that the ICCTA Board of Representatives and President’s met in Springfield on April 30th and on May 1st. She and Dr. Mitchell attended a meeting which outlined the goals for community colleges in Illinois so that they could be
discussed with our legislators during our appointments with them. Trustee Broderick highlighted the legislative priorities as follows:

**Fiscal Year 2020 Budget:** The Governor has recommended a 5% increase ($13.5 million) in state funding above FY 2019 levels for public community colleges and public universities. This recommendation follows four consecutive years of either very little state funding or austere budgets for higher education. **Capital Construction:** There is more need for state capital construction projects than there is revenue to pay for them. In recent years, the General Assembly has not seen traditional rules and criteria for developing a higher education capital plan. 

We welcomed comments from Jesse Ruiz, deputy governor of Illinois; Nyle Robinson, interim executive director of the Illinois Board of Higher Education; and Dr. Brian Durham, executive director of the Illinois Community College Board. Received the ICCTA Nominating Committee’s recommended slate of officers for 2019-2020: Gregg Chadwick (Heartland) – vice president; Jon Looney (Black Hawk) – treasurer; and Mandy Little (Logan) – secretary. Officers will be elected at the association’s June 8 annual meeting in Itasca. Vice president Bob Thompson (Sauk Valley) will become ICCTA president on July 1, succeeding Fritz Larsen (Black Hawk). Instead of the ICCTA Vice President position, Trustee Broderick was appointed as interim ACCT state coordinator with a recommendation that she continue as the full time coordinator when the term expires in July. We were informed that the ICCTA Executive Director Search Committee received approximately 30 applications for the position. Seven semi-finalists were interviewed and the committee will conduct face-to-face interviews with the four finalists on May 20. The Board of Representatives will vote on the association’s proposed Fiscal Year 2020 budget at the June 8 annual meeting. Approved full payment of $21,673.02 to the Community College Insurance Consortium to close out ICCTA’s previous health insurance claims. The recipients of ICCTA’s 2019 faculty, alumni, business, student, and service awards will be selected. All nominees will be recognized at the association’s June 7 annual banquet. The ICCTA Bylaws Committee is finalizing two amendments regarding ICCTA awards and the selection of the Association of Community College Trustees state coordinator. Notice will be emailed by May 24 for Board of Representatives approval on June 8. The ICCTA’s logo contest attracted 60 student entries from around the state. The annual meeting dates are: June 7 and June 8 in Itasca; Board Retreat on August 2 and 3; September 13 and 14th is the ICCTA meeting and all are welcome to attend.

### 9.3 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Marin indicated that she would like to share the following report this evening. The Wellness Fair was held on April 10th where 63 units of blood were donated; Legislative Forum was held on April 18th hosted by Student Government; Spring Fling was held beginning April 23rd; April 26th last meeting of emerging leaders; Empty Bowls project was held April 30th; Collegiate Club College Recognition event was held on May 1st with awards.

### 9.4 Buildings & Grounds Report

Trustee Mike O’Connell indicated that the committee met before the meeting tonight. The Board approved the bid for the air handler units this evening. The projects for summer work were reviewed with more most likely coming next month. Discussion was held on the Z-Space Virtual Reality Lab. There are 12 machines that create a virtual reality environment, such as nursing could use the equipment and it would show the parts of the heart or the auto shop could see all the parts of an engine. It will be located at the North end of the bridge.
President Mitchell indicated that following up on Trustee Broderick’s report on the Lobby Day and ICCTA meeting: the president’s met on April 30th and also heard from Jessed Ruiz, deputy governor and spoke of state priorities. They are the fair tax, capital bill, sports betting, gaming, and marijuana legalization. They are looking to mandate the FAFSA form at the high school level, allowing for DACA and homeless students to have a streamlined process. We asked that community colleges be included in the identifiable college lists. We also received updates from Nyle Robinson of IBHE. The original funding request for higher education included a 10% increase, now we are hearing possibly 5% and remains unsure. They will be reworking their master plan to strengthen: workforce development and the coalition for higher education. The perception in Illinois remains critical, 48% of students continue to leave Illinois. The remedial education is to become a study group and mental health concerns will be evaluated at a higher level. Recruitment, retention and equity will be studied to ensure 60 by ’25.

Congratulations to all of our retirees! Thank you for your years of dedication and service to Joliet Junior College, you will be missed.

We participated in the CAALAC Bowl-A-Thon which Raised over $1,000. 10 teams took part in the Committee for African American and Latino American Concerns’ (CAALAC) Bowling Fundraiser on April 29 at Crest Hill Lanes. Thanks to the approximately 60 plus students, faculty and staff who collectively raised over $1,000! Proceeds will benefit the Jewell Dennis Tribute to Men of Color Scholarship. It promotes mentoring and leadership skills by recognizing academic achievement of minority male students who are economically disadvantaged. CAALAC hopes to endow this scholarship in the future.

President Mitchell was Student for the Day at Romeoville & City Center Campuses a few weeks ago. Thank you to Chef Bucci (culinary), Chef Mark (bake shop), Linda Blanco(algebra), Carlos DeLeon(ESL), Kristin LaTour(English), and Bill Yarrow(Film) (House of Flying Daggers) for inviting me into their classrooms!

President Mitchell indicated that she attended the re-dedication of the Dr. William Zales arboretum and trails ceremony! Dr. Zales was thrilled to be back at JJC and was recognized by Professor Andy Neil for originating this concept in 1975 as part of the campus master plan.

The athletic department held a wonderful tribute for Wayne King this past Saturday, recognizing him for his many years of service and commitment to our athletes and our institution. Although we didn’t win, the score of the game was close, but am confident Wayne will be back to cheer our Wolves on!

On Sunday Dr. Mitchell attended the JJC community band’s 40th anniversary concert, conducted by Chuck Morgan. During the concert a plaque was presented to Carlo Isabelli, Jeff McMillin and Sherry Sales, all original members of the band, as well as to Jerry Lewis, JJC retiree, who attended and led two of the pieces. Jerry created the community band in 1979.

Last night, over a dozen JJC employees attended Joliet Township High School’s Salute to Service Partnership Recognition dinner. The college was recognized in several areas
highlighted throughout this booklet that is being passed around. Thank you to our employees for their great work supporting our high school community, and a special thanks to JTHS for working so closely with JJC.

Upcoming Events:

- Honors Program Graduation, tomorrow night in U building
- Project Achieve Graduation, next Wednesday at noon, U building
- Nursing Pinning Ceremony, next Thursday at 6, J cafeteria
- Ag Graduation Ceremony, next Friday at 3, J cafeteria
- Graduation next Friday

A reminder to our newly elected trustees to schedule time for orientations and Board training activities! Please let myself or Tracy Morris know if you can attend the ICCTA training session on June 7th.

9.6 Chairman’s Report

Chairman Wunderlich indicated that he would like to thank everyone for attending the meeting this evening. Chairman Wunderlich stated that we still need board committee choices from all of the Trustees so committees can be assigned. Please return the form to Ms. Tierney as soon as possible. The board committee assignments will remain the same until we get the forms from all of the Trustees. Chairman Wunderlich congratulated all of the retirees and thanked them for their service to JJC.

Closed Session

Trustee Broderick moved, seconded by Trustee Morales that the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College go into closed session (7:17 p.m.) under open meetings act 2 (c) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 2 (c) 11. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell, Mike O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

Return to Open Session

Trustee Mike O’Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Dan O’Connell to return to regular session of the Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College at 8:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Mike O’Connell, Broderick, Garcia, Mahalik, Morales, Dan O’Connell and Wunderlich. Student Trustee Marin favored the motion.

10 Adjourn

Trustee Dan O’Connell moved, seconded by Trustee Mike O’Connell for the meeting to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously.