

ICCTA *BOARD HIGHLIGHTS*

February 19, 2013

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its February 11, 2013 meeting at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C.:

- Adopted the association's 2013 state legislative agenda;
- Approved an ICCTA-developed pension reform proposal that would increase the employee contribution for Tier 1 community college employees and shift the employer cost of community college pensions from the state of Illinois to local community college districts. This proposal – which would apply only to community colleges -- would not result in a loss of benefits for retirees or current employees and would also stabilize the College Insurance Program;
- Learned that ICCTA president Reggie Coleman (John Wood) has appointed a special ICCTA committee to provide ongoing input on pension reform issues. The committee is chaired by former ICCTA president Jim Ayers (Parkland);
- Were informed that Friday, April 19, is the deadline to submit nominations for the offices of ICCTA vice president, treasurer, and secretary for 2013-2014. The ICCTA Nominating Committee will interview interested candidates on Tuesday, April 30, in Springfield;
- Learned that ICCTA's March 8 seminars will focus on: 1) "best practices" in student success and completion, and 2) the impact of the Affordable Care Act on community colleges. Future seminars may focus on college readiness and 'cloud computing';
- Received updates on the Illinois Community College Board, the Illinois Presidents Council, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, the ICCB Student Advisory Committee, and the Association of Community College Trustees;
- Congratulated ICCB president/CEO Geoffrey Obrzut upon his June 30 retirement;
- Learned that student leaders will lobby to preserve adult education on April 17 in Springfield;
- Were thanked by ACCT chair Jean Torgeson, chair-elect John Sanders (Logan), and president/CEO Noah Brown for Illinois' strong support and participation in ACCT's annual National Legislative Summit;
- Previewed ICCTA's February 13 meeting with U.S. Sens. Richard Durbin and Mark Kirk; and
- Endorsed Eleanor McKinney (Elgin) for the ACCT Diversity Committee.

**The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place
on Saturday, March 9, at the Westin Lombard Yorktown Center in Lombard.
Contact ICCTA at 1-800-454-2282 or iccta@communitycolleges.org for more information.**



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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2013

- Feb. 22 Nomination deadline for ICCTA alumnus, trustee, student trustee, and professional board staff member awards

MARCH 2013

- March 6 Governor's budget message, State Capitol, Springfield
- March 8 Illinois Presidents Council meeting, Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard
- March 8-9 ICCTA seminars, committees, and board meeting, Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard
- March 22 ICCB meeting, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines
- March 29 Nomination deadline for ICCTA faculty, business/industry, and student essay awards

APRIL 2013

- April 2 IBHE meeting, Elgin Community College, Elgin
- April 3-5 ICCTA Professional Administrative Assistants Conference, Carl Sandburg College, Galesburg
- April 5 ISAC meeting, Columbia College, Chicago
- April 9 Consolidated local elections (including community college trustee seats)
- April 20-23 American Association of Community Colleges convention, San Francisco, California
- April 30 Illinois Presidents Council meeting, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield
- April 30 ICCTA committee and board meetings, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield

MAY 2013

- May 1 ICCTA Lobby Day, State Capitol Complex, Springfield
- May 31 Adjournment of the 98th Illinois General Assembly's spring session