ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

March 13, 2013

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its March 9, 2013 meeting at the Westin Lombard Yorktown Center in Lombard, Illinois:

- Learned that Governor Pat Quinn has recommended a 6.1 percent decrease in state community college funding for Fiscal Year 2014;
- Shared updated information on ICCTA's pension financing proposal, the College Insurance Plan funding proposal, and the Illinois Presidents Council's budget proposal;
- Heard comments from representatives of the Illinois Education Association regarding the potential impact of the Affordable Care Act on adjunct faculty classloads;
- Learned that Monetary Award Program applications were suspended on March 1. The Illinois Student Assistance Commission reports a waiting list of 170,000 students for MAP grants;
- Were reminded of two upcoming legislative events: April 17 Student Advocacy Day and May 1 ICCTA Lobby Day. Both events will take place in Springfield;
- Approved a 2% increase in ICCTA dues for 2013-14. The association has experienced only three dues increases in the last 10 years, and none in the last five years;
- Received updates on the Illinois Community College Board, the Illinois Presidents Council, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, the Association of Community College Trustees, and the ICCTA Diversity Committee;
- Praised ICCTA's March 8 leadership seminar, which was presented by graduates of the Illinois Community College Board's Student Advisory Committee externship program;
- Recognized retiring trustee Marvin Scott for his 35 years of service to Rend Lake College;
- Were informed that participants in the Trustee Roundtable discussed the fiscal consequences of the Affordable Care Act and ways in which colleges are coping with budget constraints;
- Encouraged trustees to submit nominations for 2013-2014 ICCTA office. The nomination deadline is April 19, with candidate interviews to be conducted in Springfield on April 30;
- Learned that the ICCTA Public Relations is focusing on alumni relations and will invite former/'alumni' trustees to a reception at ICCTA's June convention;
- Heard that the ICCTA Awards Committee is exploring the creation of a Peace Essay scholarship, which would be funded by an endowment from Oakton Community College trustee Jody Wadhwa;
- Were reminded that March 29 is the nominations deadline for ICCTA's Full-Time Faculty, Part-Time Faculty, Business/Industry Partnership, and the Paul Simon Student Essay Contest; and
- Thanked the College of DuPage for hosting a reception on Friday evening and Chevron Energy Solutions for its sponsorship of ICCTA's March meetings.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

MARCH 2013	
• March 13-14	State Universities Retirement System meetings, Springfield
March 15	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 elections (including community college trustee seats)
• April 17	Student Advocacy Day, Springfield
• 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 98 th Illinois General Assembly's spring session
JUNE 2013	
• June 4	IBHE meeting, DePaul University, Chicago
• June 6	Illinois Presidents Council meetings, Hotel Sofitel Chicago Water Tower, Chicago
• June 7	ICCB meeting, Hotel Sofitel Chicago Water Tower Hotel, Chicago
• June 7-8	ICCTA annual convention and Board of Representatives meeting, Hotel Sofitel Chicago Water Tower, Chicago
• June 21	ISAC meeting, Michael A. Bilandic Building, Chicago

The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 30, at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield, in conjunction with ICCTA Lobby Day. Contact ICCTA at 1-800-454-2282 or iccta@community colleges.org for more information.