## ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

March 25, 2010

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its March 20, 2010, meeting at the Marriott Hotel in Oak Brook:

- Adopted ICCTA's 2010 state legislative agenda;
- Learned that ICCTA Lobby Day will take place on Wednesday, May 5, in Springfield;
- Discussed a proposal to support a letter to Comptroller Dan Hynes requesting priority payments for those Illinois community colleges who receive 40% or more of their total funding from the state of Illinois;
- Welcomed Association of Community College Trustees president/CEO Noah Brown, who provided an update on federal legislative issues (including the inclusion of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act in the Obama healthcare initiative). ACCT continues to seek new revenue streams at the federal level to ease the community college fiscal crunch at the state level;
- Learned that trustees held productive meetings with U.S. Sens. Richard J. Durbin and Roland W. Burris during the rescheduled National Community College Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C.;
- Were informed that the ICCTA Finance Committee is recommending that member dues remain at FY2010 levels for the next fiscal year. First reading of the proposed FY2011 ICCTA budget will take place at the May 4 Board of Representatives meeting;
- Heard that trustees will soon receive hard copies of proposed ICCTA Operating Manual updates. First reading
  of the proposed updates will take place at the May board meeting;
- Encouraged trustees to consider running for ICCTA office. Nominations close April 30, and candidate interviews
  will take place in Springfield in conjunction with the May board meeting;
- Approved artwork for ICCTA's 2010 billboard campaign. The Outdoor Advertising Association of Illinois will again donate billboard space for the project;
- Received updates from the Illinois Community College Board, the ICCB Student Advisory Committee, the Illinois
  Presidents Council; the Board Leadership Council, and the Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways Through
  Education Program;
- Learned that ICCTA's December "letter to the editor" has appeared in at least six newspapers around the state.

  The next ICCTA "letter to the editor" will be distributed this spring;
- Adopted a resolution honoring Tom Bennett (Parkland), the first Illinois trustee to serve as ACCT chair;
- Thanked the College of DuPage for hosting a March 19 reception honoring Tom Bennett; and
- Observed a moment of silence for trustees Elmore Boeger (Triton), Leland Glazebrook (Lake Land), and Bill Strong (Illinois Valley).

## **Upcoming meetings**

March 26: Illinois Community College Board meeting, Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield

Illinois Student Assistance Commission meeting, Illinois State University, Normal

April 6: Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting, Harold Washington College, Chicago

■ April 8: ICCTA Southwest Region meeting, Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey

April 17 - 20: American Association of Community Colleges convention, Seattle, WA

April 21: Phi Theta Kappa awards banquet, Hilton Hotel, Springfield

April 22: Student Advocacy Day (sponsored by the Illinois Community College Board Student Advisory

Committee), Springfield

■ April 24 - 26: ICCTA Administrative Professionals Conference, John Wood Community College, Quincy

■ April 29: ICCTA Southeast Region meeting, Rend Lake College

May 4: ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield

Illinois Presidents Council meeting, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield

May 5: ICCTA Lobby Day, Springfield

May 7: Scheduled adjournment date for Illinois General Assembly

## For additional information on ICCTA committee/task force projects, contact the following chairs:

- Awards Diane Gallagher, Highland Community College
- Bylaws Jim Beasley, Kaskaskia College
- Diversity Dr. Phyllis Folarin, Elgin Community College
- Executive Barbara Oilschlager, College of Lake County
- Finance Gregg Chadwick, Heartland Community College
- Government Relations and Public Policy Jim Ayers, Parkland College
- · Nominating Mike Sullivan, Lake Land College
- Public Relations Kathy Wessel, College of DuPage
- Technology Gregg Chadwick, Heartland Community College
- Trustee Education and Leadership Development James Polk, Illinois Central College

The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield.