ICCTA Board Highlights

Notes from the ICCTA Board of Representatives' May 2-3, 2023 meetings and Lobby Day, held at the State House Inn, the Illinois State Museum, and the State Capitol Complex in Springfield, Illinois.

ADVOCACY

- Sponsored the first in-person Illinois Community College Lobby Day since 2019, including the inaugural Illinois Community College Caucus legislative reception;
- Asked state lawmakers to support the following bills that support educational access in Illinois:
 - Gov. JB Pritzker's proposed FY24 budget, which includes a 7% funding increase for community colleges
 - ❖ House Bill 2503: Eliminates out-of-district tuition
 - House Bill 3760: Creates the Public University Uniform Admission Pilot Program Act
 - Senate Bill 2288: Mandates transfer from Illinois community colleges to four-year institutions (an Illinois Community College Board initiative)
 - House Resolution 219: Encourages Illinois higher education institutions to adopt neurodiversity inclusion statements (an ICCTA initiative)
- Called attention to <u>SB 1907</u>, which requires wellness kiosks on every college campus. ICCTA is asking for expiration dates to be included on any products distributed by the kiosks; and
- Encouraged trustees to continue pursuing the expansion of Lifelong Learning and Training Accounts.

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

- Announced the official slate of ICCTA officers for 2023-2024:
 - ❖ Bishop Wayne Dunning (Richland) vice president
 - Shawn Boldt (Highland) treasurer
 - Tricia Murphy (Moraine Valley) secretary

ICCTA members will elect officers during the June 2 Board of Representatives meeting in Normal;

- Learned that ICCTA has secured a research intern from the University of Chicago for summer 2023. The intern will conduct demographic research on ICCTA membership, association awareness, and community college baccalaureate data and strategy;
- Adopted the association's Fiscal Year 2024 budget;
- Were informed that the Illinois Community College Marketing Collaborative is hiring a part-time director to



Gov. JB Pritzker and ICCTA president Dr. Maureen Dunne welcomed trustees and presidents to the 1st Illinois Community College Caucus reception in Springfield.



Illinois Treasurer Michael Frerichs joined Joliet Junior College trustee Diane Harris and ICCTA vice president Maureen Broderick at the May 2 Caucus reception.



State Senator (and former ICCTA president) Tom Bennett with another former ICCTA president, Lake Land College trustee Mike Sullivan

implement a statewide branding initiative. The campaign rollout is planned for August;

- Reminded trustees that ICCTA's June 2-3 annual conference will provide professional leadership development training as required by <u>Illinois P.A. 99-692</u>;
- Encouraged trustees to attend the Association of Community College Trustees' Leadership Congress in October 2023; and
- Received reports from ICCB, ACCT, and the Illinois Council of Community College Presidents.



State Sen. Cristina Castro thanked her alma mater Elgin Community College for providing her with the advocacy skill set to succeed in the Illinois General Assembly.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2023

May 19: Scheduled adjournment of the Illinois General Assembly

JUNE 2023

June 1 – 2 State Universities Retirement System Board meetings, location TBD

June 2 Illinois Community College Board meeting, Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel & Conference

Center, Normal

Illinois Council of Community College Presidents meeting, Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel

& Conference Center, Normal

June 2 – 3 ICCTA annual convention, Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Normal

June 5 ICCTA North Suburban Region meeting, College of Lake County Advanced Technology Center,

Gurnee

June 14 Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb

June 22 <u>Illinois Student Assistance Commission</u>, virtual or Chicago

JULY 2023

Subject to call Illinois Community College Board meeting, location TBD

AUGUST 2023

August 16 <u>Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting</u>, National Louis University, Chicago

August 18-19 ICCTA Executive Committee retreat, Joliet

NEXT MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place on Saturday morning, June 3, 2023, at the Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Normal.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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