

**APPROVED**  
**MARCH 14, 2017**

Item #VII-10  
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**MINUTES – SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**  
**February 6, 2017**

**Submitted for:** Action.

**Summary:** Minutes of the February 6, 2017, Special Meeting of the Illinois Board of Higher Education held at the James R. Thompson Center, Chicago, Illinois.

**Action Requested:** That the Illinois Board of Higher Education approve the open and closed session minutes of the February 6, 2017 Special Meeting as presented and keep the closed session minutes closed as the need for confidentiality exists due to personnel matters.



STATE OF ILLINOIS  
BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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A meeting of the Illinois Board of Higher Education was called to order at 2:20 p.m. in Room 9-034 at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 West Randolph, Chicago, Illinois, on February 6, 2017.

The following Board members were present: Tom Cross, Jay Bergman, Justin Provo, Teresa Garate, Darlene Ruscitti, Kevin Huber, Paul Langer and Christine Wiseman.

Others present: Mark S. Jamil, Burke, Burns & Pinelli, LTD.; Monique Redeaux-Smith, Illinois Federation of Teachers.

**I. Call to Order**

**Call Meeting to Order, Chair Tom Cross**

Chair Tom Cross called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

Chair Cross said, “Board members Max Coffey, Jane Hays, Santos Rivera, Jack Thomas and Stephanie Torres are unable to attend today’s Board meeting in person due to employment obligations, but will be joining us by telephone. Is there a motion to allow Board members Max Coffey, Jane Hays, Santos Rivera, Jack Thomas and Stephanie Torres to participate in this meeting by phone?”

*The Illinois Board of Higher Education, on motion made by Mr. Jay Bergman and seconded by Dr. Teresa Garate, unanimously approved Board Members Max Coffey, Jane Hays, Santos Rivera, Jack Thomas and Stephanie Torres to participate via conference call.*

*Whereupon the aforementioned Board Members joined the meeting.*

**II. Executive Session**

**Closed Session**

Chair Cross asked that the Board go into Executive Session. He noted that under the Open Meetings Act, there must be a motion in open session to authorize this executive session. A quorum must be present and a motion must be approved by a majority of the quorum with a recorded vote. The Chair observed that a quorum was present.

*Mr. Jay Bergman made the motion to move the Illinois Board of Higher Education into executive session for the purpose of discussing employment issues, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. Ms. Christine Wiseman seconded the motion.*

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Yes – Bergman, Coffey, Cross, Garate, Hays, Huber, Langer, Provo, Rivera, Ruscitti, Thomas, Torres and Wiseman. No – none.

The Board moved into executive session.

*See Attachment A for Executive Session Minutes*

### **Reconvene in Open Session**

The Board reconvened in open session.

Chair Cross asked for a motion and second to come out of executive session.

*Mr. Jay Bergman moved that the Board of Higher Education come out of executive session at 3:10 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2017, and Mr. Paul Langer seconded the motion.*

## **II. Action Item**

### **1. Consideration and Approval of Personnel Agreement and Interagency Agreement**

*On motion made by Mr. Jay Bergman and seconded by Ms. Christine Wiseman, the Illinois Board of Higher Education approved the form of interagency agreement and proposed term sheet outlining terms of a consulting agreement with Dr. Karen Anderson. The Board further delegated authority to the Chair to execute and deliver the interagency agreement, consulting agreement and any and all documents in furtherance of same with changes as approved by the Chair. The Board's approval of the foregoing is contingent upon the execution of the Interagency Agreement by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) and agreement and acknowledgement of ICCB to the terms of IBHE's consulting agreement with Dr. Anderson.*

## **III. Public Comment**

No public comment.

## **IV. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Cross adjourned the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Deitsch, Secretary to the Board.

Note: Copies of all items referred to in the minutes (i.e., letters, statements, reports, etc.) are on file with the official minutes of the February 6, 2017, meeting.