

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BOARD OF ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 519**  
**Counties of Stephenson, Ogle, Jo Daviess and Carroll**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

A special meeting of the Board of Illinois Community College District No. 519 was called to order by Mr. Doug Block, Chairperson, at 1:01 p.m. on March 2, 2016, in the Robert J. Rimington Board Room (Room H-228) in the Highland Community College Student/Conference Center, 2998 West Pearl City Road, Freeport, Illinois in said district.

Members Present: Mrs. Diane Gallagher, Mr. Doug Block, Mr. Jim Endress,  
Dr. Steve Jennings, Ms. Whittney Zumdahl, Mr. Blake Musser, and  
Ms. Alexa Buss

Members Absent: Mr. David Shockey

Guests Present: Mr. Billy Clow, Dean, College of Fine Arts and Communication, Western  
Illinois University (WIU); Dr. William "Buzz" Hoon, Professor and Chair,  
Department of Broadcasting and Journalism, WIU; Mrs. Heather Yeager,  
Spouse of Mr. Jim Yeager; Ms. Alex Beatty, Daughter of Mr. Jim Yeager;  
Mr. Alex Jansen, Student Worker; and, Mr. Wesley Bennehoff, Student  
Worker

Also Present: Mr. Tim Hood, President; Ms. Chris Kuberski, Executive Vice President;  
Ms. Jill Janssen, Vice President, Administrative Services;  
Ms. Liz Gerber, Vice President, Student Development and Support  
Services; Ms. Rose Ferguson, Associate Vice President, Human  
Resources; Mr. Pete Willging, Director, Marketing & Community  
Relations; Mr. Jim Yeager, Faculty; Ms. Jane Lethlean, Communications  
Specialist; Mr. Brad Hart, Big Radio; and, Ms. Terri Grimes, Board  
Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**COMMENTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
AND WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**

Mr. Hood welcomed everyone to the public signing of the articulation agreement with Western Illinois University for the 2+2 degree plans leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in broadcasting. He introduced Mr. Billy Clow and Dr. William "Buzz" Hoon of Western Illinois University. Mr. Hood thanked Mr. Jim Yeager for his tireless work finding ways to extend opportunities and create pathways for our students.

Dr. Hoon thanked Mr. Yeager for initiating the agreement and going to Macomb to spend time observing what the Mass Communication students do in class. This is a natural fit for the colleges and Dr. Hoon is looking forward to having students from Highland attend WIU and participate in the program as soon as they get there.

### **SIGNING OF AGREEMENT**

Representatives from Highland and Western Illinois University signed the agreement.

Mr. Hood noted that progress has been made with educational institutions when it comes to community colleges working with four-year institutions, and we need to figure out more ways to work collaboratively because the students are the big winners. He looks forward to many students migrating to WIU as a result of this new opportunity, which is important for broadcast and mass media in northern Illinois.

Mr. Block gave special thanks to Mr. Yeager, noting that Highland is the kind of institution where all people pull together, which speaks to the character of the community and the College.

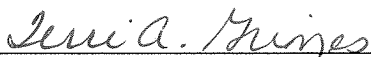
### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **ADJOURN**

Dr. Jennings moved and Mr. Endress seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. At 1:16 p.m., there being no further business, the Chairperson declared the motion carried and the special meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Terri A. Grimes, Board Secretary  
Illinois Community College District No. 519