

ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

May 1, 2008

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its April 29, 2008, meeting at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield:

- Previewed ICCTA's April 30 Lobby Day. Trustees will focus on four key issues:
 - 1) **SUPPORT House Bill 4189** (an ICCTA initiative that clarifies that community colleges are units of local government under the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act)
 - 2) **OPPOSE year-end reductions** in Fiscal Year 2008 community college state funding
 - 3) **DEVELOP** an equitable **Fiscal Year 2009 state budget** for community colleges
 - 4) **SUPPORT** passage of a statewide **capital construction program**
- Informed trustees and presidents that ICCTA president **Kathy Wessel** (DuPage) would testify before the House Higher Education Appropriations Committee on April 30, joined by President Council chair **Terry Bruce** (Illinois Eastern) and president **Perry Buckley** of the Cook County College Teachers Union;
- Received the ICCTA Nominating Committee's proposed slate of officers for 2008-2009:
 - * **Barbara Oilschlager** (Lake County) – Vice president
 - * **Mary Nolan** (Moraine Valley) – Secretary
 - * **Dr. Joan DiLeonardi** (Oakton) – TreasurerThe ICCTA Board of Representatives will elect officers at its June 7 annual meeting in Springfield;
- Heard reports from ICCTA representatives serving on the Governor's task force on truancy and alternative education and the Illinois Board of Higher Education's Public Agenda on College and Career Success;
- Conducted a survey on members' meeting preferences; and
- Reminded trustees of several upcoming events:
 - * May 8: ICCTA West Suburban Region meeting, Elgin Community College, Elgin
 - * May 19: Illinois Community College Board meetings, Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey
 - * May 21: ICCTA North Suburban Region meeting, College of Lake County, Grayslake
 - * June 3: Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting, St. John's College of Nursing, Springfield
 - * June 5 - 7: ICCTA annual convention, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield
 - * Oct. 29 - Nov. 1: Association of Community College Trustees' annual Congress, New York City

ENCLOSURES

- Fact sheet on 2008 Illinois community college state legislative issues
- "64/14" sticker information sheet

The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place in conjunction with the ICCTA annual convention on Saturday, June 7, 2008, at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield.



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