

Illinois Community College Trustees Association Action Alert
September 7, 2007

House Budget Hearings Scheduled

Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan has scheduled a series of 19 regional hearings to address the Governor's veto of the Fiscal Year 2008 budget. The hearings will run from September 12 through September 27 and are open to the public. Five of those hearings will take place on community college campuses.

The Governor's veto reduced state funding to community colleges by \$7 million for the Basic Credit House Grant and \$3 million for the Student Success Grant. The total \$10 million reduction brings community college funding to \$3 million below last year and represents a 1% reduction in state support. Community colleges retained \$7.2 million for Illinois Veterans Grants, which are not part of the regular community college system budget.

ICCTA president Kathy Wessel is coordinating efforts with the Illinois Presidents Council's president, Terry Bruce, to develop a consistent message to deliver at each of the hearings. They are also working to schedule community college presidents and trustees to testify at the various hearings.

Please review the attached schedule for locations and times. We will be pursuing the goal of having community college presidents and trustees testify at all of the hearings.

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Regional Budget Hearings

REGION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Decatur	9/12/2007	Decatur Civic Center City Council Chambers, 3rd Flr 1 Gary K Anderson Plaza Decatur, IL	6:00 p.m.
Marion	9/12/2007	John A. Logan College Crisp Room Carterville, IL	7:00 p.m.
Kankakee	9/12/2007	Kankakee Community College Auditorium Kankakee, IL	6:30 p.m.
Tazewell County	9/13/2007	Pekin Public Library Community Room 301 S. 4th St. Pekin, IL	6:00 p.m.
Champaign	9/17/2007	Anita Purves Nature Center 1505 N. Broadway Urbana, IL	6:00 p.m.
Hoffman Estates	9/18/2007	Hoffman Estates Village Hall Cafeteria 1900 Hassell Road Hoffman Estates, IL	6:00 p.m.
Aurora	9/19/2007	Phillips Park Visitors Center 1000 Ray Moses Drive Aurora, IL	6:00 p.m.
McHenry County	9/19/2007	McHenry College Conference Center 8900 US Highway 14 Crystal Lake, IL	6:00 p.m.
Cicero	9/20/2007	Clyde Park District 1909 S. Laramie Cicero, IL	7:00 p.m.
Rockford	9/20/2007	Zeke Giorgi Building Auditorium 200 S. Wyman Rockford, IL	6:00 p.m.
Joliet	9/24/2007	Joliet Township High School West Campus 401 North Larkin Joliet, IL	6:00 p.m.

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REGION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Rock Island	9/24/2007	County Building 3rd Floor, County Board Room 1548 3rd Avenue Rock Island, IL	6:00 p.m.
North Suburbs	9/25/2007	Northbrook Village Hall City Council Chambers 1225 Cedar Lane Northbrook, IL	4:00 p.m.
South Suburbs	9/25/2007	Homewood-Flossmoor High School Auditorium 999 Kedzie Ave. Flossmoor, IL 60422	6:00 p.m.
Chicago: South	9/26/2007	Kennedy-King College Theatre 6301 S. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60621	6:30 p.m.
Chicago: West	9/26/2007	Austin Town Hall Auditorium 5610 W. Lake St. Chicago, IL 60644	6:00 p.m.
LaSalle County	9/26/2007	Illinois Valley Community College Cultural Center Theatre 815 North Orlando Smith Ave. Oglesby, IL 61348	6:00 p.m.
Chicago: North	9/27/2007	Loyola University Mundelein Center Auditorium 1020 W. Sheridan Rd. Chicago, IL	7:00 p.m.
Chicago: Southwest	9/27/2007	Oak View Community Center 4625 W. 110th St. Oak Lawn, IL	7:00 p.m.