

# ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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June 10, 2008

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its June 7, 2008, convention and annual meeting at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield:

- Reviewed community college successes in the spring 2008 legislative session, including:
  - 1) Passage of **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) Passage of an **Fiscal Year 2009 state budget** that includes a 5 percent in community college funding
  - 3) Preserved \$25 million in state funding for community colleges in the current (FY08) fiscal year budget

Both HB 4189 and the FY09 state budget now go to the Governor for his consideration.

- Learned that the 2008 fall veto session has been scheduled for the second and third week of November;
- Heard an update on the Illinois Board of Higher Education's Public Agenda on College and Career Success. The task force is sponsoring 17 regional forums around the state from June 9-24. ICCTA and the Illinois Presidents Council are coordinating community college testimony at the forums;
- Elected ICCTA's 2008-2009 officers by unanimous ballot:
  - \* **Barbara Oilschlager** (Lake County) – Vice president
  - \* **Dr. Joan DiLeonardi** (Oakton) – Treasurer
  - \* **Mary Nolan** (Moraine Valley) – SecretaryICCTA's current vice president, **Jeff May** (Joliet), will assume the presidency on July 1, succeeding **Kathy Wessel** (DuPage);
- Recognized ICCTA's 2007-2008 officers, regional chairs, committee chairs, and task force / organizational liaisons;
- Learned that the Association of Community College Trustees and the American Association of Community Colleges are working on federal legislation to provide matching grants for capital expenditures;
- Were informed that the Board Chairs Council discussed college athletics, business practices, and presidential searches;
- Received positive feedback on the educational programs at ICCTA's convention, including the Sophomore Seminar and the "Generational Differences" seminar;

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- Heard that 10 trustees and presidents participated in ICCTA's individualized media training, which was offered as part of the association's annual convention; and
- Recognized ICCTA's convention sponsors:
  - \* **Illinois Community College Risk Management Consortium** (ICCTA President's Reception)
  - \* **Illinois Community College System Foundation** (Paul Simon Student Essay Contest)
  - \* **Illinois Community College Purchasing Consortium** (Friday luncheon)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- \* June 20-22: Association of Community College Trustees' Governance Institute, Washington, D.C.
- \* July 11: Deadline for ACCT award nominations
- \* Aug. 15-16: ICCTA Executive Committee retreat, Chicago
- \* Sept. 12-13: ICCTA Board of Representatives meetings, Springfield
- \* Oct. 29-Nov. 1: ACCT Congress, New York City
- \* Nov. 16: Leadership and Core Values Institute in Decatur

### **ENCLOSURES**

- List of 2008 ICCTA award winners
- List of Public Agenda regional forums

***The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place in conjunction  
on Saturday, September 13, 2008, at the Hilton Hotel in Springfield.***