## ICCTA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

May 5, 2005

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its May 3, 2005, meeting at the Renaissance Hotel in Springfield, Illinois:

- Welcomed James Kaplan, chair of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, who spoke on the state board's budget priorities for FY 2006;
- Endorsed the IBHE's recommended budget levels for community college in FY 2006;
- Previewed ICCTA's May 4 Lobby Day. Trustees were asked to stress the following points with their state lawmakers:
  - 1) State budget cuts continue to drive up college costs and hurt students;
  - 2) **SUPPORT** Senate Bill 2112, which would add a currently serving trustee to the Illinois Community College Board;
  - 3) **SUPPORT** Senate Bill 463, which would transfer administration of GED testing to the Illinois Community College Board
- Accepted the ICCTA Nominating Committee's slate of officers for 2005-2006:
  - \* Dr. Clare Ollayos (Elgin) Vice president
  - \* Kathy Wessel (DuPage) Secretary
  - \* Jerry Wright (Illinois Central) Treasurer

A total of nine candidates had applied for consideration for ICCTA office. The ICCTA Board of Representatives will elect officers at its June 18 annual meeting in Chicago;

- Were reminded that ICCTA will hold its New Trustee Orientation on June 17 during the association's annual convention in Chicago. All recently elected trustees are encouraged to attend;
- Learned that the Governor has appointed Roberto Rivera, John Aurand, Jr., and former Moraine Valley Community College trustee Dr. John Donahue to the Illinois Community College Board; and
- Heard that ICCB is planning a public awareness campaign in conjunction with the system's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary this summer.

## For additional information on ICCTA committee projects, contact the following chairs:

- Awards Dr. Joan DiLeonardi, Oakton Community College
- Diversity James Polk, Illinois Central College
- Executive Rev. Albert D. Tyson, City Colleges of Chicago
- Finance Jim Beasley, Kaskaskia College
- Nominating Carol Chiligiris, Richland Community College
- Government Relations Kathy Wessel, College of DuPage
- Trustee Education Jerry Wright, Illinois Central College
- Women in Leadership Kathy Wessel and Dr. Joan DiLeonardi

The annual ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place in conjunction with the association's convention on Saturday, June 18, 2005, at the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place in Chicago, Illinois.









