

**Illinois Community College District No. 511
Rock Valley College
3301 North Mulford Road
Rockford, IL 61114
Educational Resource Center (ERC), Room 0214, Performing Arts Room (PAR)**

June 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES - FISCAL YEAR 2024 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

The Fiscal Year 2024 Public Budget Hearing was called to order at 5:55 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, by Board Chair Gloria Cardenas Cudia in Room 0214, known as the Performing Arts Room (PAR,) in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus of Rock Valley College. The following members of the Board of Trustees were present at roll call:

Ms. Gloria Cardenas Cudia
Mr. Paul Gorski
Mr. John Nelson
Ms. Crystal Soltow

Mr. Bob Trojan
Mr. Richard Kennedy
Ms. Kristen Simpson
Student Trustee Juan Nogueta

Board Chair Cudia announced that anyone who wished to speak would have an opportunity to do so. Ms. Cudia then introduced Vice President of Finance Ellen Olson who reviewed the Fiscal Year 2024 Final Budget.

Vice President Olson noted the following:

- On May 23, 2023, the Board of Trustees approved the Tentative Budget for FY2024.
- The College published the Notice of Public Hearing as required.
- The budget has been available since May 24, 2023, for public viewing in the Financial Services office and online on the RVC website.
- There have been no changes to the budget.
- The total budget, including contingency is \$131,600,486.
 - Operating Funds: \$70,852,587
 - Non-Operating Funds: \$60,747,899
 - Capital Projects - \$11.9 million
 - Bonds and Interest - \$12.1 million
 - Auxiliary Fund - \$14.8 million
 - Restricted/Grants - \$18.5 million
 - Trust and Agency (Student Clubs) - \$659,000
 - Audit - \$60,000
 - Liability, Protection and Settlement - \$1.7 million
 - Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) - \$180,000
 - State University Retirement System (SURS) - \$500,000

There were no questions from trustees.

Following Vice President Olson's presentation, Board Chair Cudia invited public testimony concerning the FY2024 Final Budget. There were no requests from the public to address trustees.

At 6:00 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Gorski, to close the Public Budget Hearing. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote, and Chairman Cudia declared the Public Budget Hearing closed.

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MINUTES
ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 511, Winnebago, Boone, DeKalb, McHenry, Ogle, and Stephenson Counties, Illinois convened in Room 0214, known as the Performing Arts Room (PAR), in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus of Rock Valley College. Board Chair Gloria Cardenas Cudia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Ms. Gloria Cardenas Cudia
Mr. Paul Gorski
Mr. John Nelson
Ms. Crystal Soltow

Mr. Bob Trojan
Mr. Richard Kennedy
Ms. Kristen Simpson
Student Trustee Juan Noguera

Also in attendance: Dr. Howard Spearman, President; Dr. Amanda Smith, Vice President Liberal Arts and Adult Education/Chief Academic Officer; Mr. Jim Handley, Vice President Human Resources; Ms. Ellen Olson, Vice President Finance/Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Heather Snider, Vice President Institutional Effectiveness and Communications; Dr. Patrick Peyer, Vice President Student Affairs; Mr. Keith Barnes, Vice President Equity and Inclusion; Mr. Rick Jenks, Vice President Operations/Chief Operations Officer; Dr. Hansen Stewart, Vice President Industry Partnership and Community Engagement; Ms. Ann Kerwitz, Assistant to the President; Ms. Betsy Saucedo, Interim Assistant to the President; Attorney Joseph Perkoski, Robbins Schwartz.

Communications and Petitions (Public Comment)

No public comments were received.

Recognition of Visitors

There were no visitors to be recognized.

Action Item and Notice in Compliance with the Illinois Public Community College Act

Board Chair Cudia read the full compliance verbiage as stated below and also on the meeting agenda, then called for a motion to approve the employment contract between Rock Valley College and Dr. Howard J. Spearman.

Action Item and Notice in Compliance with the Illinois Public Community College Act:

Approval of, and authorization to execute, an employment contract between Rock Valley College and Dr. Howard J. Spearman for the position of President of the College for a term of four academic years commencing on July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027 at an annual salary of \$250,000 with additional benefits. A complete copy of the proposed contract which the Board will be asked to act upon at the meeting is viewable by electronic link in the electronic version of this agenda to the College's website at <http://www.rockvalleycollege.edu/about/leadership/office-of-the-president> and alternatively available in paper copy form at the Office of the President, Rock Valley College, 3301 North Mulford Road, Rockford, Illinois 61114.

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve the employment contract between Rock Valley College and Dr. Howard J. Spearman for the position of President of the College for a term of four academic years commencing on July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. There was no discussion.

The motion was approved by majority roll call vote. Trustees Kennedy, Simpson, Soltow, Trojan, and Cudia voted yes. Trustee Gorski passed when first called to vote, then voted yes. Student Trustee Nogueta voted yes (advisory). Trustee Nelson voted no.

General Presentations

There were no general presentations.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting and the May 23, 2023 Regular meeting. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Additional Action Items

1. **BR 8048 – Claims Sheet**

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the claims sheets from the Ellucian check register for the period from May 1, 2023 to May 31, 2023. The total is \$1,914,163.20.

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow to approve Board Report 8048. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2a. **BR 8049-A – Purchase Report-A – FY2023 Amendments**

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-A, Purchase Report-A.

\$ 4,000.00	A. Edward Caceres, Delavan, WI
\$ 3,500.00	B. Cintas, Cincinnati, OH
\$ 3,500.00	C. Automatic Fire Systems, Rockford, IL
\$ 5,000.00	D. CDW, Chicago, IL
\$ 3,000.00	E. Frinks Sewer Service, Rockford, IL

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Simpson, to approve Board Report 8049-A. Vice President Olson confirmed that no changes have been made since the June 13 Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2b. **BR 8049-B – Purchase Report-B – FY2023 Purchases**

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-B, Purchase Report-B.

\$ 24,459.84	A. Latino Worker Safety Center (LWSC), Hillside, IL
\$ 19,220.00	B. Geocon Professional Services, Rockford, IL
\$ 12,000.00	C. Rockford Consulting and Brokerage, Inc., Rockford, IL

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve Board Report 8049-B. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2c. BR 8049-C – Purchase Report-C – FY2024 Purchases

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-C, Purchase Report-C.

\$ 57,245.00	A. Meridian, Loves Park, IL
\$ 24,245.28	B. Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI
\$ 16,000.00	C. Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS), Edwardsville, IL
\$ 15,000.00	D. Indeed, Austin, TX

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Nelson, to approve Board Report 8049-C. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2d. BR 8049-D – Purchase Report-D – FY2024 Site Rentals

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-D, Purchase Report-D.

\$ 63,000.00	A. The Workforce Connection, Rockford, IL
\$ 156,200.00	B. Illinois Holler LLC, Rockford, IL
\$ 11,500.00	C. Greater Rockford Airport Authority, Rockford, IL

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Nelson, to approve Board Report 8049-D. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2e. BR 8049-E – Purchase Report-E – FY2024 Licensing/Software Renewals

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-E.

\$ 100,000.00	A. Ad Astra, Overland Park, KS
\$ 15,000.00	B. Anthology, Leawood, KS
\$ 14,000.00	C. Blackbaud, Charleston, SC
\$ 14,000.00	D. Blackbaud, Charleston, SC
\$ 11,000.00	E. Blackboard Inc., Reston, VA
\$ 35,000.00	F. CDW-G, Chicago, IL
\$ 72,000.00	G. CDW-G, Chicago, IL
\$ 17,329.08	H. CDW-G, Chicago, IL
\$ 64,000.00	I. CDW-G, Chicago, IL
\$ 40,000.00	J. Brightly, Cary, NC
\$ 19,500.00	K. Economic Modeling LLC (Lightcast), Moscow, ID
\$ 650,000.00	L. Ellucian, Malvern, PA
\$ 30,770.00	M. Entrinsik, Inc., Raleigh, NC
\$ 79,000.00	N. Hyland LLC, Lenexa, KS
\$ 160,000.00	O. Instructure, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT
\$ 73,000.00	P. Prophix Software Inc., Ontario, Canada
\$ 16,206.75	Q. Qualtrics LLC, Provo, UT
\$ 95,000.00	R. Watermark Insights, New York, NY
\$ 23,871.00	S. Siteimprove, Sacramento, CA
\$ 24,000.00-Not to Exceed	T. Upswing, Austin, TX
\$ 60,000.00-Not to Exceed	U. Carahsoft, Reston, VA

\$ 10,000.00	V. LingK, Danville, CA
\$ 30,675.00	W. Modern Campus, Camarillo, CA
\$ 40,828.00	X. GHA Technologies, Scottsdale, AZ
\$ 11,000.00	Y. Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Trojan, to approve Board Report 8049-E. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2f. BR 8049-F – Purchase Report-F – FY2024 Blanket Purchase Orders

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the marked items for purchase on Board Report 8049-F, Purchase Report F.

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve Board Report 8049-F. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Purchase Orders and Blanket Purchase Orders are being issued to various vendors that the College believes are not subject to the Illinois Public Community College Act, 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1 Bid requirements (i.e., Postage, Contractual Services, Supplies, etc.)

The details of Purchase Report F, FY2024 Blanket Purchase Orders, appear on the next pages.

Purchase Report F
FY24 Blanket Purchase Orders
As in the past, Purchase Orders and Blanket Purchase Orders are being issued to various vendors that we believe are not subject to the IL Public Community College Act, 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1 Bid requirements (i.e., Postage, Contractual Services, Supplies, etc.)

Blanket POs for the Period of 7/1/23 through 6/30/24

VENDOR	CITY	ST	DESCRIPTION	FY23	FY24	Comments
<u>Health Care Service Corporation</u>	Chicago	IL	Premiums for PPO insurance, Stop loss insurance.	\$7,125,000.00	\$7,700,000.00	Exempt A. Projected pricing from multiple insurance carriers.
<u>Constellation New Energy Gas/Electric</u>	Chicago	IL	Gas and electric service.	\$1,850,000.00	\$2,000,000.00	Exempt L. Consortium pricing and rate increases.
<u>IL Community College (ICC) Risk Management Consortium</u>	Northbrook	IL	Premiums for property and casualty, worker's compensation, malpractice, and athletic insurance paid from Operations, Tort, and Auxiliary Funds.	\$ 885,000.00	\$1,100,000.00	Exempt L. Per the Illinois Joint Purchasing Act, 30 ILCS 525/1, et seq. Projected insurance premiums.
<u>EBM/Morgan Building Maintenance</u>	Elk Grove Village	IL	Custodial services.	\$850,000.00	\$920,000.00	The fifth year of a five-year contract.
<u>American Express</u>	Chicago	IL	P-Card program.	\$700,000.00	\$900,000.00	Pass through for miscellaneous small commodities purchased in accordance with the College's P-card policies. Individual purchases are less than \$25,000 and therefore do not need to be bid pursuant to 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Guardian</u>	Dallas	TX	Premiums for supplemental life insurance, group life insurance, dental and long term disability insurance.	\$257,000.00	\$600,000.00	Exempt A. Projected pricing from multiple insurance carriers. FY 2023 amount is so much lower because the insurance coverage started mid-year.
<u>OPN Architects</u>	Madison	WI	For design and engineering planning for approved capital projects.	\$305,600.00	\$600,000.00	This is the second year of their contract. RFQ #22-04 Architect of Record.

<u>Robbins, Schwartz, Nicholas, Lifton, Taylor</u>	Chicago	IL	Legal services, as needed.	\$600,000.00	\$600,000.00	Professional services purchases exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Bodycraft Wellness & Massage</u>	Rockford	IL	Instruction of personal wellness Continuing Education classes.	\$202,000.00	\$210,000.00	Exempt A. Revenue received to offset the expenses of classes.
<u>OSF Healthcare</u>	Peoria	IL	On-site wellness clinic management fees, consumables, and monthly lab fees.	\$210,000.00	\$210,000.00	Exempt A. This is the fifth year of a five-year contract.
<u>Condensed Curriculum Intl</u>	Fairfield	NJ	Instruction of Health Care Continuing Education classes.	\$180,000.00	\$200,000.00	Exempt A. Increase due to partnership with Workforce Equity Initiative.
<u>NICOR Gas</u>	Pecatonica	IL	Natural gas supply for satellite campus locations.	\$155,000.00	\$170,000.00	Exempt L. The increase is due to the anticipated price increase of natural gas.
<u>Javon Bea Hospital - Rockton</u>	Rockford	IL	Instruction and consumable class materials and supplies for the Continuing Education Fire Science, Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Medical Technician classes.	\$130,000.00	\$160,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>Servio Consulting</u>	Frankfort	IL	Consulting on the implementation of the new Customer Relationship Management software.	\$70,000.00	\$160,000.00	Professional services purchases exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a. This is year three of a five-year agreement. Adding non-credit installation.
<u>State Universities Retirement System (SURS)</u>	Springfield	IL	Penalty expenses.	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Townsquare Media Rockford LLC / Ignite</u>	Cincinnati	OH	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives, Tech Bus and Advanced Technology Center.	\$135,000.00	\$150,000.00	Exempt A and L.

<u>Huron Consulting Services LLC (AKA: Studer Education)</u>	Chicago	IL	Contractual services to provide leadership and organizational development training and services to the College Leadership team.	\$129,390.00	\$135,000.00	Professional services purchases exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Northern Illinois University</u>	DeKalb	IL	RVC Foundation pass-through account for engineering scholarship awards through the Foundation's Engineering Our Future Campaign.	\$110,000.00	\$133,000.00	This is a pass-through expense.
<u>Khione Management Services LLC</u>	Cicero	IL	Snow removal for the College satellite locations.	\$100,000.00	\$125,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold in 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1. Second one-year renewal of two one-year renewal options.
<u>EBSCO Subscription Services</u>	Birmingham	AL	Magazines and journals for the Library.	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Helm Service</u>	Rockford	IL	Service contract for parts, supplies, and repairs for the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems.	\$90,000.00	\$110,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. They do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Sikich LLC</u>	Naperville	IL	Audit Services for the College and the Foundation.	\$102,650.00	\$105,000.00	Third year of a three-year contract extension
<u>BSN Sports</u>	Dallas	TX	Athletic uniforms and sports equipment for the RVC sports teams.	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases are under \$25,000. They do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1. This is the third year of a five-year agreement.
<u>City of Rockford</u>	Rockford	IL	Water service for the main campus and satellite campuses.	\$90,000.00	\$95,000.00	Exempt K and L.
<u>Commonwealth Edison</u>	Chicago	IL	Electric and energy supply bills for the Advanced Technology Center.	\$85,000.00	\$95,000.00	Exempt L.

<u>Helm Service</u>	Rockford	IL	Electrical parts, repairs, and service.	\$60,000.00	\$90,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases are under \$25,000. This does not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>KK Stevens</u>	Astoria	IL	Printing of the Community and Continuing Education semester course catalogs.	\$89,245.74	\$90,000.00	Fall 2023, Spring 2024, and Summer 2024. Bid #23-11.
<u>Schneider Electric</u>	Homewood	IL	Security systems hardware and software support.	\$50,000.00	\$90,000.00	Exempt F.
<u>Office Pro formerly Mid-City</u>	Rockford	IL	Office supplies.	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. They do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Pitney Bowes Reserve Account</u>	Pittsburgh	PA	Postage meter funds.	\$60,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt K. Postage stamps must be purchased through this vendor in order to be compatible with the postage meter.
<u>Postmaster</u>	Rockford	IL	Postage for United States Postal Service Bulk mail.	\$60,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt K.
<u>Rocket Industrial (FKA: Harder Corp)</u>	Rockford	IL	Supplies, parts, and repairs for custodial.	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Non-COVID-related supplies. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. This does not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Smith Oil</u>	Rockford	IL	Gas for fleet and maintenance vehicles.	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt F. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases for College use or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. Purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Effecty</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives, Tech Bus, and Advanced Technology Center.	\$65,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>IL Dept. of Employment Security (IDES)</u>	Rockford	IL	Unemployment insurance premiums. Paid from Tort Fund.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exemption 30 ILCS 525/2. Joint Purchasing Act.

<u>Kelly Williamson</u>	Rockford	IL	Gas cards for all grant programs.	\$47,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity, individual, or collective purchases that do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold do not need to be bid pursuant in 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Lamar Companies</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives, Tech Bus and the Advanced Technology Center.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>National Safety Council</u>	Itasca	IL	Course materials for Traffic Safety classes.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Schnucks Market</u>	Rockford	IL	Food gift cards for all grant programs.	\$42,400.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. This is not required to bid as individual or collective purchases as they do not exceed \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</u>	Laguna Nigel	CA	Reimbursements of application fees to eligible participants applying for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals citizenship initiative against the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights Grant.	\$25,000.00	\$75,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Marsh LLC</u>	Chicago	IL	Insurance premiums for treasurer bonds, airport liability, aircraft hull & liability. Paid from Operations and Tort Funds.	\$60,000.00	\$66,000.00	Exempt under the Illinois Joint Purchasing Act, 30ILCS 525/1, et seq. This is the final year of a three-year commitment to the Illinois Community College Risk Management Consortium.
<u>Gallagher</u>	Rolling Meadows	IL	Insurance broker.	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	This is the second year of a two-year contract. Per Bid #22-13.

<u>Barnes & Noble</u>	Rockford	IL	Electronic textbooks and course materials for the Nursing programs. Materials are sourced through the campus bookstore contract. Course fees cover the entire cost of these materials.	\$40,000.00	\$58,000.00	Exempt F. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Elsevier/HESI</u>	St Louis	MO	Registered Nurse comprehensive assessment and review of programs and the SIMChart software used with the medication computer system by the students. These are all pass-through items that are covered by course fees.	\$48,000.00	\$58,000.00	Professional services purchases. Exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP</u>	Palatine	IL	Fire alarm testing and repairs.	\$40,000.00	\$56,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Johnson Controls Inc.</u>	Rockford	IL	Repair of control systems, as needed.	\$35,000.00	\$55,000.00	Exempt E.
<u>Airoidi</u>	Oak Creek	WI	Two tractors and two trailers for the Truck Driving Training program.	\$124,000.00	\$50,000.00	RVC needs to find a new company to lease, or RVC may need to purchase trucks. The current contract has expired.
<u>Exxon Mobil</u>	Rockford	IL	Fuel for the tractor and trailer units used in the Truck Driver Training program.	\$30,000.00	\$50,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>H&H/Air Rite</u>	Bettendorf	IA	Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning filters for all buildings.	\$38,000.00	\$50,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Midland Paper</u>	Rockford	IL	Printing and copying paper for all RVC locations.	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	The pricing remains high due to supply chain issues.

<u>CDW-G</u>	Seattle	WA	Servers, virtual desktop infrastructure, and network resources hosted in the Azure subscription.	\$13,833.60	\$50,000.00	Exempt F. RVC is expanding the existing Azure platform to replace Amazon Web Service. This is an existing platform. This is pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Mike Rogers Consulting</u>	Rockford	IL	Business Consulting Services for Small Business Development Center owners and entrepreneurs.	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Great American Financial Services Corp. formerly Marco Technologies, LLC</u>	Rockford	IL	All RVC locations, copier click charges for usage, and lease payments.	\$150,000.00	\$50,000.00	Exempt G. The last two months of the current contract. RVC is currently working on a new bid. This cost includes a two-month extension of the current contract if needed.
<u>Ballard Electric</u>	Rockford	IL	Cogen, Generator Optimization Asset Model monitoring, programming, services, and repairs.	\$49,000.00	\$49,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Four Rivers Sanitation Authority</u>	Rockford	IL	Sanitation services for waste removal for all RVC locations.	\$42,000.00	\$45,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Rock River Disposal</u>	Rockford	IL	Trash removal and recycling services.	\$43,000.00	\$45,000.00	Exempt L. The increase is due to pricing increases.
<u>University of Illinois (CARLI)</u>	Champaign	IL	The Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois library resources databases and membership for the RVC Library.	\$47,000.00	\$45,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>iFiber</u>	Sycamore	IL	Gigabyte transport fee. Maintains fiber lines.	43,600.00	\$43,600.00	Exempt F.
<u>Schumacher Elevator</u>	Denver	IA	Inspection and repair services for elevators in all RVC locations.	\$40,000.00	43,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.

<u>Clearfly</u>	Pasadena	CA	Local telephone service.	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	Exempt L and F.
<u>AT&T</u>	Dallas	TX	Internet Protocol, Flex, and Completelink, monthly phone bills.	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>City of Rockford</u>	Rockford	IL	Bulk road salt for all RVC locations.	\$27,000.00	\$40,000.00	Exempt K and L.
<u>Disney Advertising</u>	Chicago	IL	Streaming ads on Hulu, ESPN Plus, and Disney Plus.	N/A New FY 2024	\$40,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>Global Water Technology Inc formerly Lakeland Chemical</u>	Menomonee Falls	WI	Chemical treatment for boilers, chillers, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment.	\$18,000.00	\$40,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. This is not required to bid as individual or collective purchases do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Verizon Wireless</u>	St Louis	MO	Cell phone service, mobile hotspots, and hardware.	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	Exempt F. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. The College uses individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>WREX</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives.	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>University of Illinois (iShare)</u>	Champaign	IL	Cloud-based library service platform and discovery service. Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois FY 2024 iShare assessment.	\$38,000.00	38,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Midwest Library Service</u>	Bridgeton	MO	Books for the library collection.	\$45,000.00	\$35,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>Network of Illinois Learning Resources in Community Colleges (NILRC)</u>	Blanchardville	WI	Multiple library databases, search tools, and membership.	\$27,000.00	\$34,000.00	Exempt F and L.
<u>Business Advice & Solutions, LLC.</u>	Delavan	WI	Business Consulting Services for Small Business Development Center owners and entrepreneurs.	\$19,000.00	\$32,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.

<u>Jose Gloria</u>	Rockford	IL	Business Consulting Services for Small Business Development Center owners and entrepreneurs.	N/A New FY2024	\$32,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Latino Worker Safety Center (LWSC)</u>	Hillside	IL	Highway Construction Careers Training Program training and certifications.	\$24,459.84	\$32,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Balanced Environments Inc. (BEI)</u>	Old Mill Creek	IL	Grounds maintenance for Stenstrom Center, Bell School, Aviation, and the Advanced Technology Center properties.	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1. This is the third year of a three-year agreement.
<u>John Morrissey Accounting Inc.</u>	Rockford	IL	Accounting Services to support the Adult Education grant program.	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Miller Bradford & Risberg or M&D Truck and Equipment Sales</u>	Rockford	IL	Rental of Case wheel loader, skid steer to assist with the snow removal and other grounds tasks.	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>FrontLine Education</u>	Philadelphia	PA	Employee application processing and tracking for Human Resources.	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	Exempt F.
<u>City of Rockford</u>	Rockford	IL	911 service.	\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	Exempt K and L.
<u>BP Roofing Solutions</u>	Loves Park	IL	Roofing inspections and repairs.	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Enterprise Rent-A-Car</u>	Rockford	IL	Miscellaneous rental service for the athletic teams' travel that is not covered under Van Galder's contract. This is a "Not to Exceed."	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1. This is a second year of a five-year agreement.

<u>La Bamba Radio</u>	Rockford	IL	Advertising on the local Spanish internet radio.	\$10,000.00	\$25,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>Lift Works</u>	St Charles	IL	Building inspections and maintenance.	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>MSC Industrial Supply Co.</u>	Machesney Park	IL	Miscellaneous parts and tooling of the Advanced Technology Center, Computer Numerical Control program.	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. This is not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Plumbers & Pipe Fitters</u>	Rockford	IL	Contract instruction for the Highway Construction Careers Training Programs courses as needed.	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Tru View</u>	Melville	NY	Background check services for Human Resources.	\$15,000.00	\$25,000.00	Exempt A. Bid #22-17.
<u>WIFR-TV23 and WIFR</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives.	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>Rush Power</u>	Kirkland	IL	Semi-annual preventative maintenance for the Caterpillar engines in the Co-generation plant.	\$20,000.00	\$22,000.00	Exempt E.
<u>Cintas</u>	Cincinnati	OH	Rental and cleaning of uniforms for Plant, Operations, and Maintenance.	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Cornerstone OnDemand Inc</u>	Santa Monica	CA	Specialized service provider for online training modules available to employees to train remotely.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.

<u>First Student</u>	Belvidere	IL	Bus transportation for Upward Bound summer program.	\$15,540.00	\$20,000.00	This is a TRiO Grant program expense. Three quotes were attempted. First Student is the only company available with school buses that can meet the scheduling needs.
<u>Illinois Community College Trustees Assoc (ICCTA)</u>	Springfield	IL	Membership dues for the College to belong to the Association.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Reinders Inc</u>	Milwaukee	WI	Fertilizer, weed control, and grounds supplies.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Steiner Electric</u>	Loves Park	IL	Electrical parts and supplies.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Wolter Inc</u>	Brookfield	WI	Instruction for forklift training in Continuing Education classes.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Exempt L.
<u>HURST Review</u>	Brookhaven	MS	Three-day review course for nurses to pass the Natuibak Council Licensure Examination, offered in December for December graduates and in May for May graduates.	\$7,011.00	\$18,500.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Safe Chefs Food Safety Training LLC</u>	Des Plaines	IL	Food Safety Manager and Food Handler classes in Continuing Education.	\$17,500.00	\$18,500.00	Exempt L.

<u>Johnstone Supply</u>	Rockford	IL	Maintenance parts and supplies.	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Automatic Fire Systems</u>	Rockford	IL	Annual fire pump inspections and testing.	\$13,000.00	\$16,500.00	Exempt E. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Kanopy</u>	San Francisco	CA	Streaming Services for students through Library Services.	\$17,000.00	\$16,000.00	Exempt F and L.
<u>Skyline Window Cleaning</u>	Machesney Park	IL	Window cleaning, as needed.	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>IL Central Management Services (CMS)</u>	Springfield	IL	Illinois Century Network internet.	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00	Exempt L. 30 ILCS 525/2. The Joint Purchasing Act. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. For academic use or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Adventure Safari Network</u>	Byron	IL	Instruction of photography classes in Continuing Education.	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	Exempt A. 30 ILCS 525/2. The Joint Purchasing Act. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases for academic use or individual purchases are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Henry Schein Inc</u>	West Allis	WI	Supplies used for instruction and small repair items for the Dental Hygiene Clinic equipment.	\$12,000.00	\$15,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases for academic use or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.

<u>Patterson Dental</u>	Wood Dale	IL	Supplies used for instruction in the Dental Hygiene Clinic.	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases for academic use or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Uniform Den East</u>	Moline	IL	Uniform Services for the RVC Police Department.	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases and individual purchases are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>WQRF (MyStateline)</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives, Tech Bus, and the Advanced Technology Center.	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>WQRF TV Fox 39</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives.	\$40,000.00	\$15,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>YBP</u>	Atlanta	GA	Books for the library collection.	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00	Exempt F and L.
<u>Soft Docs</u>	Columbia	SC	Program used for printing information from the Colleague software platform.	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	Exempt F and L.
<u>Northern Illinois University</u>	DeKalb	IL	Bandwidth and internet service provider.	\$11,000.00	\$13,000.00	Exempt F. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases for College use. Quotes were obtained. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases as they do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>NAPA Auto Parts</u>	Rockford	IL	Parts for Plant, Operations, and Maintenance.	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Nevco</u>	St Louis	MO	Advertising on the gymnasium digital scoring tables within the area High Schools.	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	Exempt A and L.

<u>White Leaf Creative</u>	Rockford	IL	Contract instruction for the various Community and Continuing Education courses as needed.	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.
<u>Comcast</u>	Southeastern	PA	Cable modem and gigabyte service.	\$11,400.00	\$11,400.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Elsevier</u>	St Louis	MO	Subscription per student. \$99/student/year. Used in all nursing courses to augment lectures and to bring interaction and engagement to the classroom to enhance learning and critical thinking.	N/A New FY 2024	\$11,000.00	The all-in-one health education that is supported by Elsevier is the text that the nursing program uses. Elsevier is using the Osmosis learning platform.
<u>Menards</u>	Rockford	IL	Building materials for Plant, Operations, and Maintenance repairs and projects.	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>ACC Business</u>	Atlanta	GA	RVC phone service and ethernet access.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Exempt L. Phone Service.
<u>Allied Benefit Systems</u>	Chicago	IL	Administration fees for the Flexplus plan.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Austin Mechanical Sales Inc</u>	Rockford	IL	Miscellaneous parts and equipment for Boiler House repairs.	\$9,500.00	\$10,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.

<u>Black Rocket</u>	Freehold	NJ	Teaching Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math for Whiz Kids camps and classes	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	This is a professional services purchase exemption ILCS 805/3-21.1a.
<u>Lowe's</u>	Rockford	IL	Building materials for Starlight Theatre productions.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Master Building Solutions</u>	Madison	WI	Miscellaneous parts and equipment for Boiler House repairs.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Exempt F and L. Also, miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Perspectives EAP</u>	Chicago	IL	Employee Assistance Program administration.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. They are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases. They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>Rock River Ford</u>	Rockford	IL	Miscellaneous parts and service work for fleet vehicles.	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	Exempt F and L. Miscellaneous small commodity purchases. These are not required to be bid as individual or collective purchases, They do not exceed the \$25,000 threshold. 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1.
<u>WTVO TV 17</u>	Rockford	IL	Media advertising to support enrollment and college initiatives.	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00	Exempt A and L.
<u>Amazon Web Services (AWS)</u>	Seattle	WA	Web Application 2.0.	\$55,000.00	\$10,000.00	Miscellaneous small commodity purchases or individual purchases that are under \$25,000. The purchases do not need to be bid pursuant to ILCS 805/3-21.1.

Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.
President

Board Approval: _____
Secretary, Board of Trustees

3. BR 8050 – Fiscal Year 2023 Fund Transfer Request

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the College administration's request to allocate \$500,000 from Operating Funds (Funds 01) to the Auxiliary Fund (Fund 05) to maintain a positive fund balance. It is further recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the College administration's request to allocate an amount not to exceed \$1,610,000 to Capital (Fund 03) to complete the outstanding projects (IT Infrastructure Project, HVAC Projects, Audio/Hyflex-Student Center Atrium, and IT Application Initiatives) utilizing the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) grant funding.

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Nelson, to approve Board Report 8050. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

4. BR 8051 – Adopting the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopts the Fiscal Year 2024 Final Budget as the budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2023, for Community College District No. 511, Winnebago, Boone, DeKalb, McHenry, Stephenson, and Ogle Counties.

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve Board Report 8051. Vice President Ellen Olson confirmed that the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget is balanced and that future fund transfers may be needed. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

5. BR 8052 – Certificate Attesting to the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Secretary and Chairperson of the Rock Valley College Board of Trustees attest to the Fiscal Year 2024 Final Budget being a true and correct copy in its legal form.

A motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Nelson, to approve Board Report 8052. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

6. BR 8053 – ESP/PSA/Administrative Salaries for 2023-2024 (FY2024)

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the following salary increases for non-represented Educational Support Personnel (ESP), Professional Staff Association (PSA) and Administrative employees who are active full-time and continuous part-time (CPT) employees in grades J to V (previously grades A to G).

Effective July 1, 2023

- A 3.5% increase will be added to the base pay of each full-time ESP/PSA/Administrative employee and distributed equally among the semi-monthly paychecks until fully disbursed.
- A pro-rated amount will be applied to the hourly rate of Continuous Part-Time ESP, PSA, and Administrative employees.
- Employees hired on or after July 1, 2023, are not eligible for this pay increase.
- The estimated fiscal impact is \$400,054.00.

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Nelson, to approve Board Report 8053. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

7. BR 8054 – Resolution Authorizing Byron Power Station Real Property Tax Assessment Settlement Agreement

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the Byron Power Station Real Property Tax Assessment Settlement Agreement. **Attorney Reviewed.**

A motion was made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Gorski to approve Board Report 8054. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

8. BR 8055 – Sublease Agreement Between Rock Valley College and The Workforce Connection

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the sublease agreement with The Workforce Connection for space at 303 N. Main Street, Rockford, IL from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. **Attorney Reviewed.**

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Trojan, to approve Board Report 8055. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

9. BR 8056 – Personnel Report

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the personnel actions as outlined on the Personnel Report.

A motion was made by Trustee Simpson, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to approve Board Report 8056. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Other Business

1. New Business

Dr. Spearman announced that the next meeting of the trustees in the ICCTA Northwest Region will be held at Kishwaukee College on September 19. This is the second meeting since the end of the COVID pandemic, as last year’s meeting was held at Highland Community College. He added that this is a good opportunity for trustees to meet trustees from other community colleges and to share information. The meeting will include dinner and a tour of the Kishwaukee College campus. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

2. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Updates / Reports

1. President’s Update

President Howard Spearman provided highlights of his June activities.

- Thanked trustees who attended the ICCTA awards banquet and for participating in the state-required training on June 2. The College submitted several nominations: Board Chair Cudia for the Ray Hartstein Trustee Achievement Award; Vice President Keith Barnes and his team for the 2023 Equity and Diversity Award; RVC Student Alyssa Bird for the Gregg Chadwick Student Service Scholarship Award; and AAR for the Business/Industry Partnership Award.
- Thanked the RVC Foundation for sponsoring a table at the Chef’s Table event sponsored by Zion West to raise funds for scholarships. Vice President Keith Barnes and his family cooked some great food for the RVC attendees.
- Thanked trustees for extending his contract. He is pleased that the College has turned things around after his first year and has made some great achievements such as improvements in the employee culture toward a more positive attitude. Affirming his contract also shows trustees’ faith in the Cabinet.

2. Leadership Team Updates

- Vice President Keith Barnes announced that over 40 participants celebrated the campus Juneteenth celebration on June 20, with Tommy Meeks, founder of Rockford’s event, in attendance. Mr. Barnes’ department is in the process of completing the application for a HEED award for demonstrating diversity, equity and inclusion on campus.
- Vice President Jim Handley thanked trustees for their support of the compensation study which has been completed. Implementation will be effective July 1.
- Vice President Dr. Hansen Stewart announced that the College has received very positive feedback on the Dual Credit Quality Act training held for 22 high school teachers from 14 schools. In addition, the CNC class completion ceremony was held recently with 10 of 11

completions. Many students received job offers before the course ended, while 41 received NIMS (National Institute for Metalworking Skills) credentials.

- Vice President Heather Snider announced that the new RVC website is now operational. In addition, Summer II enrollment is at 90 percent to budget and Fall enrollment is 72 percent to budget.
- Vice President Ellen Olson reminded trustees to respond to the request from Sikich to complete Form 99 and return it directly to Sikich. She also updated trustees on past issues with the Rockford Register Star and why the College looked elsewhere to place legal notices, particularly the Notice of Public Hearing for the FY2024 budget. Ms. Olson emphasized that the new publications are reaching all counties within the College's district.
- Vice President Rick Jenks made several announcements: 1) Trustees have received the Facilities Master Plan (FMP) draft, which is 95 percent complete, and have been asked to provide feedback to Jenks by July 6. Rollout of the final document will be shared with government officials in the fall. 2) The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select an architect for the new Downtown project has been issued, and Trustee Kennedy has agreed to serve on the architect selection committee. Mr. Jenks will provide a review of the process at the July Committee of the Whole meeting with presentations by the finalists at the August 8 Committee of the Whole meeting. Trustees will be asked to approve the selected architect at the August 22 regular board meeting. 3) The College closed on the purchase of the Belvidere property adjacent to the ATC on June 15. 4) Several change orders for the ATC will be presented at the July Committee of the Whole meeting including added outlets and bollards.
- Vice President Dr. Amanda Smith announced that RVC's nursing students had a 100 percent pass rate for the national exam to become an RN. This is outstanding news, as the national average is 80 percent, Illinois is 70 percent, and RVC had 86 percent last year. This is also a testament to the quality of the eight faculty members, seven of whom are new to RVC.
- Vice President Dr. Patrick Peyer thanked trustees for participating in the Heritage Days parade held in Belvidere last weekend. RVC will also be present in Rockford's Fourth of July parade, which will begin at 5:00 p.m. The Tech Bus will be there. Volunteers are reminded not to throw candy at the crowd.

3. ICCTA (Illinois Community College Trustees Association) Report

Trustee Nelson did not have a report.

4. Trustee Comments

- Trustee Gorski was pleased to see the good response at the Belvidere parade. He suggested that trustees should promote the Committee of the Whole to increase staff attendance.
- Trustee Kennedy commended administration's professionalism in getting information to the board and always having answers to his questions.
- Trustee Nelson also commented on the positive response to RVC at the Belvidere parade.
- Trustee Simpson commented on the hourglass illustration used at the board governance training session a few weeks ago. She is concerned that she has to go through the board chair to ask the president a question, and thinks the whole board should discuss it further.
- Trustee Soltow commented that she enjoyed the Chef's Table event, adding that it was very well done and Vice President Barnes did a great job as RVC's chef.
- Trustee Trojan commented that he was a judge for the recent Fast Pitch contest sponsored by EIGERlab held at Rockford University. He asked if RVC had been contacted to host the event and encouraged staff to host it at RVC next year.
- Board Chair Cudia noted how much she enjoyed attending the RAMM (Rockford Association for Minority Management) scholarship banquet held June 16 and commended Jessica Jones, longtime chairman of the event, for her hard work. Ms. Cudia added her congratulations to the staff and volunteers at Starlight Theatre, as she has heard good reports from the community about the performances. She encouraged trustees to email her with their feedback to the board training on how they might function more efficiently.

5. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Juan Nogueta reported on remaining performances at Starlight Theatre, activities of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Department, and on new executive board members for Student Life clubs. He added that the First Year Experience personnel hosted a workshop “Where does time go? How to manage your time” on June 21 to help students develop better time management skills.

6. RVC Foundation Liaison Report

Trustee Trojan reported that the Foundation’s board did not meet this month.

7. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Report

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) report was accepted as presented.

Closed Session

At 7:12 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Soltow, to adjourn to closed session to discuss: 1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting per Section 2 (c) (1); and/or 2) Collective negotiating matters per Section 2 (c) (2); and/or 3) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body per Section 2 (c) (5); and/or 4) Litigation has been filed, is pending, or probable per Section 2 (c) (11), all in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

The motion was approved by majority roll call vote. Trustees Gorski, Kennedy, Simpson, Soltow, Trojan and Cudia voted yes. Trustee Nelson voted no. Student Trustee Nogueta voted yes (advisory).

Reconvene Open Meeting

At 7:57 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Trojan, seconded by Trustee Gorski, to reconvene the open meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. No action was taken as a result of closed session.

Next Meeting

The next Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) located in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

The next Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) located in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

Adjournment

At 7:59 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Gorski, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted by Ann L. Kerwitz


Robert Trojan, Secretary


Gloria Cardenas Cudia, Chairperson