



**Minutes of the May 21, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535**

The 799<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 was conducted on May 21, 2024 at the Des Plaines campus of Oakton College, 1600 East Golf Road, Des Plaines, Illinois.

**Closed Session – Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Toussaint called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. in room 1502. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Ms. Marie Lynn Toussaint	Chair	Present
Ms. Martha Burns	Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Theresa Bashiri-Remetio	Secretary	Absent
Dr. Gail Bush		Present
Mr. Benjamin Salzberg		Present
Mr. William Stafford		Present
Dr. Wendy Yanow		Present
Mr. Franklin Ocaña	Student Trustee	Present

Chair Toussaint asked for a motion to go into closed session under the exceptions to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, with the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes of April 16, 2024; and considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, collective negotiating matters, and pending litigation.

Trustee Salzberg made the motion, seconded by Trustee Bush. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Ms. Burns	Aye
Dr. Bush	Aye
Mr. Stafford	Aye
Mr. Salzberg	Aye
Ms. Toussaint	Aye
Dr. Yanow	Aye
Mr. Ocaña	Aye

Also present in room 1502 were Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Dr. Karl Brooks, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Ileo Lott, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs; Johanna Fine, Chief Human Resources Officer; and Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

At 6:07 p.m., Chair Toussaint asked for a motion to adjourn the closed session meeting. Trustee Stafford made the motion which was seconded by Trustee Bush. A voice vote was called and the closed session was adjourned.

**Open Session – Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Toussaint called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:13 p.m. in room 1506.

Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Ms. Toussaint	Chair	Present
Ms. Burns	Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Bashiri-Remetio	Secretary	Absent
Dr. Bush		Present
Mr. Salzberg		Present
Mr. Stafford		Present
Dr. Yanow		Present
Mr. Ocaña	Student Trustee	Present

Also present in room 1506:

Leadership: Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Dr. Kelly Iwanaga Becker, Assistant Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Strategic Planning; Dr. Karl Brooks, Vice President for Student Affairs; Johanna Fine, Chief

Human Resources Officer; Dr. Ileo Lott, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Katherine Sawyer, Chief Advancement Officer.

Administrators: Marc Battista, Associate VP for Academic Affairs/Dean of Curriculum and Instruction; Steve Butera, Director of Communications and Media Relations; Dr. Sebastian Contreras Jr., Assistant VP for Student Affairs/Dean of Student Success; Dr. Leana Cuellar, Interim Dean of Access, Equity and Diversity; Dr. Ruben Howard II, Dean of Business and Career Technologies; Jake Jeremiah, Dean of Library; Christine Paciero, Director of Oakton Athletics; Dr. Jim Rabchuk, Dean of STEM; Delia Rodriguez, Dean of Adult and Continuing Education; and Andy Williams, Controller.

Union Leaders: Jennifer Crowley, Classified Staff Association; Mary Hope Griffith, Adjunct Faculty Association; and Suzanne Ziegenhorn, Full Time Faculty Association.

Faculty: Michael Graves, Physical Education; James Humenik, Law Enforcement; Mary Johannesen Schmidt, Psychology; Cheryl Joseph, Early Childhood Education; Louis Martinez, Law Enforcement; Sylvia Rosillo, Library; and Toni Surdo, Psychology.

Staff: Phil Cronin, Media Services; Ernest Gest, Facilities; Jeffrey Gossrow, Budget and Finance; Krissie Harris, Student Life and Campus Inclusion; Ewa Lyczewska, Marketing and Communications; Rob Peterson, Access, Equity and Diversity; Esperanza Salgado-Rodriguez, TRIO; and Beatriz Sparks, President's Office/Special Assistant to the Board of Trustees.

Students: Marianne Catanoan

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Trustee Toussaint led the pledge.

**Land Acknowledgment** – Trustee Stafford read the Land Acknowledgment.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Chair Toussaint made a motion for the approval of the minutes of the April 16, 2024 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, and the April 16, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting. Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the minutes were unanimously approved.

### **Statement by the President**

#### Condolences

- To Chair and Associate Professor of Library, Martinique Hallerduff on the passing of her father Peter on May 2.

#### Congratulations

- To Officer Saad Muhammad on the birth of baby boy, Zain Muhammad on May 18.
- To the Class of 2024. It was wonderful to celebrate our graduates at the Commencement ceremony last week. Thank you to the commencement committee, led by Krissie Harris, Sr. Manager of Student Life and Campus Inclusion for all of your efforts in creating a joyous celebration and thank you to all of our faculty and staff who support students along their journey so that they can accomplish their goals!
- Congratulations also to our 8 Hospitality certificate completers that participated in our first Earn and Learn program in partnership with District 219 Bridges Program and The Residence Inn in Wilmette.

#### Employee Recognitions

- During the 103rd Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. North Central Province Council meeting, Dean of Business and Career Technologies, Dr. Ruben Howard II received the 2024 Bert Wadkins Guide Right Director of the Year award. In addition, the Evanston Kappa League program was awarded the 2024 Jay Crosby award for the Most Outstanding Kappa League program. This is the 3rd straight year that the Evanston Kappa League received the award.
- Professor Tina Fakhrid-Deen was awarded the Woman of Distinction Award from Oakton's Chapter of the American Association for Women in Community Colleges at a celebration earlier this month.

- Secretary of State and State Librarian Alexi Giannoulis announced the winners of the 2024 Spotlight on Literacy Awards that recognizes participants in Illinois literacy programs. Ten adult learners received the Spotlight on Achievement Award, and 10 volunteer tutors received the Spotlight on Service Award during a ceremony at the Illinois State Museum in Springfield. Volunteer Award winners from Oakton: Thomas Koshy, Robyn Johnson and Heidi Siegel.

#### Student Recognitions

- Oakton student Johnny Begale presented his Honors contract project at the Skyway STEM competition held at Morton College. Johnny's research topic was "The Journey of Microorganisms: From Unicellular Organisms to the Colonization of the Gastrointestinal Tract." Congrats, Johnny!
- Oakton College DECA chapter had a great experience at the National Competition in Austin, Texas. As a new chapter, Oakton College was honored by DECA during the opening ceremony. Oakton DECA members competed in the following tournaments:
  - Marketing Communications: Wajeeh Ansari and Dawood Mustafa made it to the qualifiers.
  - Entertainment Marketing: Manuel Santos and Abdul Ahad made it to the qualifiers.
  - Entrepreneurship Operations: Victor Leca was a finalist and medalist.
  - Fashion Marketing: Dane Mathew was a qualifier.
  - Entrepreneurship (Starting a Business): Victor Leca was a qualifier.

#### Athletic Recognition

- The athletics department held an end of the year celebration on April 19, and recognized the following individuals:
  - BOT Student Athlete Leadership Award: Lucas Visser - Soph, FI student from the Netherlands, Men's Soccer; and Bryce Wolf - Fresh, Women's Basketball, Glenbrook North HS
  - Student Athlete Perseverance Award: Mekiy'El Wright - Soph, Men's Basketball, Niles North HS
  - Professor of the Year: Glenna Sprague
  - Coach of the Year: Alan Chalem, Assistant Men's Soccer Coach
  - Student Athlete Speakers: Mekiy'El Wright - Soph, Men's Basketball, Niles North HS; and Zarina Sayed - Soph, Women's Tennis, Niles North HS
- The Men's Golf Team finished third in the NJCAA Region 4 tournament and qualified for the nationals! The team is currently competing in the NJCAA Division II Championship in Joplin, MO. Go Owls!
- The Oakton Men's Tennis Team competed in the NJCAA Region 4 Tournament. The highlights of the tournament included Luke Bouvier at No. 1 singles, Brian Tomo at No. 4 singles, and Luke Bouvier and Sean Meyer at No. 1 doubles. As Oakton's top three players are freshmen, the future is bright for Owls tennis!
- The Women's Tennis Team traveled to Tyler, Texas, to compete in the NJCAA DI Championship. Domenica Bondi competed in the singles flight No. 2 and Zarina Sayed competed in the singles consolation quarterfinals. Together, Domenica and Zarina, competed in the consolation quarter finals doubles flight No. 1. Zarina celebrated her birthday at the tournament, and this Monday, she graduated from Oakton. We are proud of her and Domenica's accomplishments this season. We can't wait to see what they do next!
- The Baseball Team competed in the NJCAA Region 4 Division III Tournament, which was hosted by the College of DuPage (COD). The end of the tournament concludes Oakton's spring 2024 baseball season.

#### Happenings

- The Koehline Museum of Art's current exhibit Heaven on Earth expresses artist, Gabriela Leyva's desire to reconnect with heaven after a near-death experience. Gabriela Leyva is a Mexican artist who specializes in the creation of mixed media works and installations. She is also a psychotherapist who skillfully integrates her interest in psychology with her artwork.
- Tomorrow is the celebration of our Early College Program BNAT completers. We have 83 HS students who will be completing their BNAT credential this semester – earning that credential before graduating from HS!

- Tomorrow we are also hosting a conference for area employers interested in learning more about how AI might affect their industry and workforce needs in the coming years - this workshop is being supported by our Trades grant.
- On June 7, we have 5 Oakton students departing for a summer study abroad experience in Ghana. This is the second cohort of Oakton students participating in this incredible opportunity.

### **Educational Foundation Liaison Report**

Notable commitments since the last update to the Trustees include:

- A \$34,000 gift from retiree Linda Korbel to continue to build the endowments of the Korbel Study Abroad Scholarship and the Foundation's General Scholarship Fund,
- A \$1,000 gift from Geri Sizemore to support the annual scholarship in Emory Williams name and the program fund related to the Emory Williams Academy,
- A \$3,000 gift from an anonymous donor that includes a matching gift from their employer to build the endowment of the Roman-Blanco Endowed Scholarship.

Six Foundation Board Directors attended commencement last week, sitting with student speaker families. All were inspired by the event and proud to be affiliated with Oakton through their work with the Educational Foundation.

A dedication of new pavers installed in the courtyard on the Des Plaines Campus will take place on Wednesday, June 5 at 4 p.m. Approximately 53 new tribute pavers have been purchased since the original dedication of the original group of pavers honoring Founding Trustees, Faculty and Administration were installed last year. All are welcome to attend the ceremony and reception that follows.

The Board's next quarterly meeting will take place on June 5.

### **ICCTA Liaison Report**

Trustee Salzberg shared that he attended the ICCTA Lobby Day in Springfield with President Smith and Director of Communications, Steve Butera. They had the opportunity to meet with Governor Pritzker and state senators.

### **Student Trustee Report**

Franklin Ocaña II shared that ANDALE, BSSP and EWA recently hosted their end of the year celebrations, and that the Asian Night Market event was successful and well attended. Commencement was held on May 13.

### **Student Spotlight**

Marianne Catanaoan graduated high school in 2022. Oakton was not in her college plans until she began researching other schools to figure out the financial part. She was taking dual credit classes during her senior year, and she learned that her credits were transferrable to Oakton. She also learned that it would be beneficial to attend a community college to save time and money since she wasn't committed to a career path back then. She started to get involved with extracurricular activities. As a first-generation student, she appreciated being able to find resources at Oakton that provided her with comfort and encouragement. She received help with math and writing at the Learning Center, career coaching from the Career & Transfer Center, and support from student clubs and organizations.

Marianne is part of TRIO, and she wanted to acknowledge their efforts. She feels truly supported by her advisors who helped with registering for classes, the financial aid process, and getting involved in the community. She shared that thanks to her involvement in TRIO, she was able to watch the Hamilton musical in Chicago, she went to the Museum of Science & Industry, and attended the National Student Leadership Diversity Convention in Orland, Florida.

Marianne indicated that TRIO has greatly contributed in her process to make decisions about her career throughout the transfer process. TRIO introduced students to a college tour at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and Northern Illinois University where she is planning to transfer to attend law school.

One suggestion Marianne has is for improvement of communication between faculty and their students. However, she said that her time at Oakton has been amazing. College resources made her life as a first-generation student

much easier. She especially thanked her TRIO advisors for giving her a chance to get her voice heard. *“They remind me that I have potential in succeeding academically, with their help, their guidance, and recognition towards their students. If it wasn’t for them, I would not have experienced the many things I’ve accomplished.”*

**Comments by the Chair – None**

**Trustee Comments**

Student Trustee Ocaña indicated that he is proud of Oakton’s recent graduates, and appreciates the broad range of ages that obtained a certificate or diploma on May 13.

Trustee Yanow congratulated the team that worked on the SPARK journal, highlighting writings from students.

**Public Participation – None**

**Board Report: FY2025 Budget Highlights**

Vice President for Administrative Affairs, Michele Roberts provided a review of the budget for fiscal year 2025.

FY2024 Overview

Revenue: \$90.59M	Expenditures: \$90.59M
Property Taxes: 66.67%	Salaries: 62.10%
Tuition Fees: 22.85%	Employee Benefits: 10.07%
State Government: 4%	Materials/Supplies: 7.88%
Interest: 2.76%	Master Plan Funding: 5.52%
Other: 2.94%	Contractual Services: 4.79%
	Other/Transfers: 9.64%

Highlights from FY2024

**Brand Refresh**

- First TV commercials
- Updated monument signs
- Investment in digital marketing campaigns

**Critical Staffing Upgrades**

- Equity Coordinators
- Conversion of part-time to full time
- positions for increased support

**Evanston Health Center**

- Lease signed
- Equipment purchases beginning
- Congressional dollars awarded

Budget Priorities for FY2025

1. Evanston Health Careers Education Center
2. Workforce Development/Economic Development
3. Campus Safety
4. Strategic Enrollment Management

Oakton’s Priorities-Focused Budget Process

Month 1: Budget training including reviewing the priorities framework for making new requests.

Month 2: Budget requests and related justifications due to Budget Office

Month 3: President’s Council reviews new initiative requests/priorities – determines funding

Month 4: Final budget consolidation is created by Budget Office

Month 5: Budget is approved by Board of Trustees

New Initiatives for FY2025

**Staffing Requests: \$1.0M**

- Evanston Health Career Center
- Technology Police Officer
- AANAPISI Equity Coordinator
- Director of Workforce Development

**IT Upgrades: \$550K**

- SoftDocs
- DegreeWorks
- HelpDesk upgrade

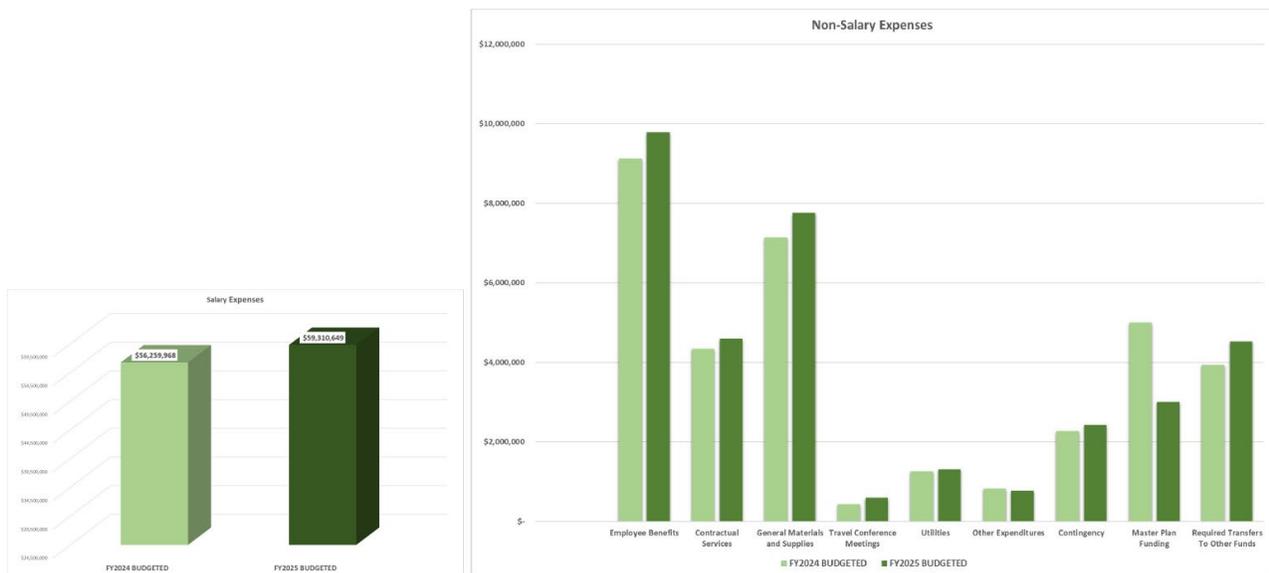
**Other: \$330K**

- Continuation of Brand Refresh
- ANDALE/Black Student Success Program funding
- Additional student employees

FY2025 Budget Revenues



FY2025 Budget Expenditures



Master Plan Funding

- \$3.0M will be added as part of FY2025 budget plan.
- Surplus from FY2024 will be reviewed, and additional funding may be added to Fund 03.

Future State of Budget at Oakton

- Mid-year Budget Review
  - Continual review of financial position for strategic insights
  - Adjustments for enrollment change
  - Realignment of goals from July 1
  - Modified process for mid-year budget allocations
- Updated Process for Budgeting/Scheduling IT Projects

- IT work does not necessarily align with the fiscal year schedule
- Repurposing Director of Software and User Services into an Associate CIO role in FY2025
- Will work closely with IT team to develop revised process for workflow management/planning heading into FY2026
- Reimagined approach to Talent Development
  - Reorganization of roles in HR
  - Increased focus on Professional Development and Succession Planning
  - Aim to combat high vacancy rates, as well as failed searches

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **5/24-1a Approval of Consent Agenda**

Trustee Stafford offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves adoption of the Consent Agenda."

Trustee Yanow seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

### **5/24-1b Approval of Consent Agenda Items 5/24-2 through 5/24-9**

Trustee Yanow offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following items 5/24-2 through 5/24-9 as listed in the Consent Agenda."

### **5/24-2 Ratification of Payment of Bills for April 2024**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby ratifies expenditures and release of checks by the Treasurer of Community College District 535 in the amount of \$7,433,087.90 for all check amounts as listed and for all purposes as appearing on a report dated April 2024."

### **5/24-3 Acceptance of Treasurer's Report for April 2024**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 receives for filing as a part of the College's official records, the report of the Treasurer for the month of April 2024."

### **5/24-4 Compliance with Open Meetings Act, Closed Session Minutes**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby determines that the minutes of the Board closed session meetings on October 2, 2023 and April 6, 2024 no longer require confidential treatment and are released for public inspection."

### **5/24-5 Action on Recordings of Closed Session Minutes**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 recommends the destruction of the verbatim audio recordings of meetings held on October 19, 2021, February 15, 2022, March 15, 2022, April 26, 2022, May 24, 2022, and June 28, 2022."

### **5/24-6 Ratification of Actions of the Alliance for Lifelong Learning Executive Board**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, in its capacity as governing board of the administrative district of the Alliance for Lifelong Learning Program, ratifies and approves the actions of the Executive Board in items a to b as stipulated above, and hereby approves the expenditures in the amount not to exceed \$8,197.20 for all funds listed in item a."

### **5/24-7 Ratification of Actions of the Alliance for Lifelong Learning Governing Board**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, in its capacity as Governing Board of the administrative district of the Alliance for Lifelong Learning Program,

ratifies and approves the actions of the Alliance for Lifelong Learning Governing Board in item one as stipulated above.”

**5/24-8 Ratification of Payment of Professional Personnel – Spring 2024**

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$58,798.09 to the total amount of part-time teaching salaries paid during the spring 2024 semester; the revised, total payment amount is \$3,905,142.22.”

“Be if further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$46,392.50 to the total amount of faculty overload salaries paid during the spring 2024 semester; the revised, total payment amount is \$729,058.00.”

**5/24-9 Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements**

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following cooperative agreements:

- Medical Assistant Program (1)
- Medical Laboratory Technology Program (1)
- Physical Therapy Assistant Program (3).”

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

- Ms. Burns Aye
- Dr. Bush Aye
- Mr. Salzberg Aye
- Mr. Stafford Aye
- Ms. Toussaint Aye
- Dr. Yanow Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution.

**5/24-10 Authorization to Schedule a Budget Hearing and Publish a Notice Placing Fiscal Year 2025 Budget on Public Display**

Trustee Stafford offered: “Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, authorizes the budget hearing and approval to publish the notice placing the Fiscal Year 2025 budget on public display.”

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

- Ms. Burns Aye
- Dr. Bush Aye
- Mr. Salzberg Aye
- Mr. Stafford Aye
- Ms. Toussaint Aye
- Dr. Yanow Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution

**5/24-11 Authorization to Approve May Purchases**

Trustee Bush offered: “Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of the attached resolutions, as stipulated in the following agenda items, for the purchase of the following:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/24-11a	1	Library Services (CARLI and NILRC) – One-Year Contract Renewal	CARLI Champaign, IL	\$100,000.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
			NILRC Blanchardville, WI	\$100,000.00
5/24-11b	1	Grant-Funded Take-Apart Pixy Mannequin for the Health Careers Education Center	Supertech, Inc. Elkhart, IN	\$34,355.00
5/24-11c	2	Document Management and Workflow Solution – Five-Year Contract	Softdocs Columbia, SC	\$542,873.84
5/24-11d	2	Video Surveillance System Replacement and Upgrades	Howard Technology Solutions Corp. Ellisville, MS	\$317,362.00
5/24-11e	1	Replacement Computers for Digital Displays and Departmental Conference Rooms	JensenIT Des Plaines, IL	\$27,990.00
5/24-11f	1	Hannon Hill Cascade Content Management Solution – Three-Year Contract	Hannon Hill Corp. Atlanta, GA	\$99,177.02
5/24-11g	1	Cherwell Software License Subscription – One-Year Contract Renewal	Ivnati, Inc. South Jordan, UT	\$74,284.02
5/24-11h	1	Lytho Marketing Workflow Solution – Three-Year Subscription Renewal	Lytho, Inc. Holly Springs, NC	\$70,000.00
5/24-11i	1	Oracle Database Software Maintenance and Support – Three-Year Support Contract Renewal	Oracle America, Inc. Dallas, TX	\$110,368.59
5/24-11j	1	Grant-Funded Skydio Starter Kit and One-Year Software Contract	ISEEYOU360, Inc. Grove, OK	\$50,000.00
5/24-11k	1	Grant-Funded Recon Virtual Reality Simulation Training System	Ti Training LE, LLC Golden, CO	\$50,000.00
5/24-11l	2	Transportation Services for Athletic Teams – One-Year Contract	Bestway Charter Transportation, Inc. Bensenville, IL	\$81,000.00
5/24-11m	1	Consulting Services for Finance Operations – Contract Extension	Judy Mitchell Consulting, LLC Manhattan, IL	\$55,000.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/24-11n	1	Ceiling Microphone Arrays for Classrooms	Howard Technology Solutions Corp. Ellisville, MS	\$46,310.00
5/24-11o		Talent Recruitment Services	CPS, Inc. Westchester, IL	\$30,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1,788,720.47."</b>

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion.

Trustee Bush made a motion to remove items 5/24-11d and 5/24-11n, to vote on separately. Trustee Stafford seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Stafford called the roll to adopt the resolution without items 5/24-11d and 5/24-11n:

Ms. Burns                   Aye  
 Dr. Bush                    Aye  
 Mr. Salzberg               Aye  
 Mr. Stafford               Aye  
 Ms. Toussaint             Aye  
 Dr. Yanow                  Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution.

Trustee Bush offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of Video Surveillance System Replacement and Upgrades from Howard Technology Solutions Corp., 36 Howard Drive, Ellisville, MS 39437 for an amount not to exceed \$317,362.00 per their price quotes number SB81389175.00, dated April 11, 2024 and #SB8 1389763.00, dated April 12, 2024."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Ms. Burns                   Aye  
 Dr. Bush                    Abstain  
 Mr. Salzberg               Aye  
 Mr. Stafford               Aye  
 Ms. Toussaint             Aye  
 Dr. Yanow                  Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution.

Trustee Bush offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of Ceiling Microphone Arrays for Classrooms from Howard Technology Solutions Corporation, 36 Howard Drive, Ellisville, MS 39437 for an amount not to exceed \$46,310.00 per their quote number SB 81380241.00."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Ms. Burns                   Aye  
 Dr. Bush                    Abstain  
 Mr. Salzberg               Aye  
 Mr. Stafford               Aye  
 Ms. Toussaint             Aye  
 Dr. Yanow                  Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution.

**5/24-12 Preview and Initial Discussion of Upcoming Purchases**

The following purchases will be presented for approval at an upcoming Board of Trustees meeting:

- a. Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA) – One-Year Renewal
- b. Grant-funded Nikon Eclipse Si Microscopes
- c. TouchNet Information Systems Software Licenses – Five-Year Agreement
- d. PowerFAIDS Annual Software Maintenance Contract
- e. Commercial Driving License (CDL) Training

**5/24-13 Authorization to Hire Dean of Access, Equity, and Diversity**

Trustee Yanow offered: “Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the appointment of Dr. Leana Cuellar as Dean of Access, Equity and Diversity effective July 1, 2024 at an annual salary of \$127,000.”

Trustee Bush seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Ms. Burns	Aye
Dr. Bush	Aye
Mr. Salzberg	Aye
Mr. Stafford	Aye
Ms. Toussaint	Aye
Dr. Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee Ocaña favored the resolution.

**5/24-14 Notification of Award of Grants**

Funding totaling \$75,000 has been made available to Oakton College:

- a. Illinois Community College Board Expansion of ESL Services for Adult Education Providers in the Chicagoland Area Working with Asylees, Refugees, and Migrants Grant ... \$75,000.00  
(Managed by Elena Smoukova / Administered by Delia Rodriguez)

**TOTAL: ..... \$75,000.00**

**Adjournment**

Chair Toussaint announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oakton Community College, District 535, will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at the Des Plaines Campus.

Trustee Stafford made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Trustee Salzberg. A voice vote was called and the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

  
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 Marie Lynn Toussaint, Chair

  
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 Theresa Bashiri-Remetio, Secretary

Minutes recorded by:  
Beatriz Sparks  
5/2024