

# ICCTA *BOARD HIGHLIGHTS*

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September 17, 2015

The ICCTA Board of Representatives took the following actions at its September 11-12, 2015 meetings at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield, Illinois:

- Received [legislative updates](#) on pension reform, purchasing procurement goals, and the state's Fiscal Year 2016 budget impasse. Additional issues of interest to community colleges include:
  - [Senate Bill 2155](#) -- Mandates community college audits performed by the state Auditor General
  - [Senate Bill 2156](#) -- Redefines pensionable earnings
  - [Senate Bill 2157](#) -- Mandates a minimum of 4 hours of trustee education
  - [Senate Bill 2158](#) -- Prohibits 'lame duck' boards from acting on employee contracts 60 days prior to trustee elections
  - [Senate Bill 2159](#) -- Limits executive contracts and compensation. ICCTA is seeking anecdotal information on how these proposed limits are affecting the recruiting and hiring of Illinois community college presidents and administrators;
- Were informed that the Illinois Community College Board has agreed to conduct a study on the impact of baccalaureate degree-granting authority for Illinois community colleges, but is hampered by the lack of a state budget to pay for researchers;
- Welcomed State Sen. Patrick McGuire, chair of the Illinois Senate Higher Education Committee, who addressed trustees at ICCTA's September 11 luncheon and participated in the association's seminar on "Presidents, Trustees, and Ethics in Higher Education";
- Learned that ICCTA president Andrew Bollman will be submitting letters to the editor promoting ICCTA and community colleges as part of the observance of the Illinois community college system's [50<sup>th</sup> anniversary](#);
- Learned that the [nomination deadlines](#) for ICCTA's 2016 awards have been determined;
- Were informed that former ICCTA president Dave Harby (Danville) will lead efforts to update the association's strategic plan;
- Heard that participants in ICCTA's September 11 Trustee Roundtable discussed three issues: maintaining local control, ICCTA's evolving role, and ensuring a positive environment for trustee education;
- Presented awards to three former/current trustees:
  - Linden Warfel (Parkland) – Honorary Membership & renaming of Linden A. Warfel Trustee Education Century Achievement Award
  - Dr. Phyllis Folarin (Elgin) – Lifetime Membership
  - Jackie Hancock (Logan) – 1<sup>st</sup> Trustee Education Award
- Adopted a [resolution honoring William Kelley \(Harper\)](#) for his outstanding service as ICCTA's 2014-2015 president;
- Received the association's Fiscal Year 2015 audit; and
- Previewed the October 14-17 Association of Community College Trustees' [Leadership Congress](#) in San Diego.

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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

### **SEPTEMBER 2015**

- September 18 [Illinois Community College Board meeting](#), Lake Land College, Mattoon

### **OCTOBER 2015**

- October 6 [Illinois Board of Higher Education meeting](#), Roosevelt University, Chicago
- October 14 - 17 Association of Community College Trustees' [Leadership Congress](#), San Diego
- October 15 [Illinois Student Assistance Commission meeting](#), Michael A. Bilandic Building, Chicago
- October 22 ICCTA Southwest Region meeting, Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville
- October 22 [State Universities Retirement System meeting](#), location TBA
- October 29 - 30 Illinois Community College Faculty Association's [Teaching and Learning Excellence Conference](#), Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield

### **NOVEMBER 2015**

- November 5 ICCTA Southeast Region meeting, Southeastern Illinois College, Harrisburg
- November 12 -13 Illinois Council of Community College Presidents meeting, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Schaumburg
- November 13 - 14 [ICCTA Board of Representatives and committee meetings](#), Hyatt Regency Hotel, Schaumburg
- November 13 - 14 [ICCB Student Advisory Committee meetings](#), Hyatt Regency Hotel, Schaumburg
- November 18 [ISAC meeting](#), University of Illinois at Chicago
- November 18 - 20 Illinois Council of Community College Administrators' [annual conference](#), Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Normal
- November 20 [ICCB meeting](#), Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield

### **DECEMBER 2015**

- December 1 [IBHE meeting](#), DePaul University, Chicago
- December 10 – 11 [State Universities Retirement System meetings](#), location TBA

### **JANUARY 2016**

- January 15 - 16 [ICCB Student Advisory Committee meetings](#), Hilton Hotel, Springfield
- January 22 [ICCB meeting](#), Harry L. Crisp II Community College Center, Springfield

**The next ICCTA Board of Representatives meeting will take place on Saturday, November 14, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Schaumburg Hotel in Schaumburg, Illinois. Contact ICCTA at 1-800-454-2282 or [iccta@communitycolleges.org](mailto:iccta@communitycolleges.org) for more information.**