

**MINUTES  
OPEN WORKSHOP SESSION  
Tuesday, February 18, 2014  
Black Hawk College  
Black Hawk Board Room**



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair David Emerick called the meeting to order on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 6 p.m. in the Black Hawk Board Room, Moline, Illinois.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Trustees Dorothy W. Beck, Tim A Black, Donna M. Frye, Douglas L. Strand, Student Trustee David E. Edge, III, David L. Emerick

Absent: Trustees Kylee L. Fox, John D. McCooley

Also Present: President Thomas Baynum; Executive Assistant to the President Karen Mowers; Vice Presidents Chanda Dowell, Leslie Anderson and Bettie Truitt;

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. PRESENTATION ON TUITION INFORMATION**

Dr. Baynum opened by noting that the purpose of this special meeting was to provide the Board with the background necessary for an informed decision on the upcoming board report proposing a tuition increase. He turned the meeting over to Vice President Leslie Anderson who presented that information, available at [Tuition and Fees Board Presentation 02 18 14 \(2\).pdf \(829 KB\)](#)

In the course of her presentation a number of questions came up. Of particular concern is the State budget, which Governor Quinn will present in March. It is unclear whether or not the State income tax will be rolled back or whether or not the corporate income tax will be reduced. Costs of various tuition waivers were discussed along with possible ways to reduce those costs.

Even with many unknown variables, the Board is expected to set the rate in anticipation of what best judgment predicts and what past history has proven to be true. Once the tuition rates are set, the budget preparation will be handled in such a way as to produce a balanced budget for the college.

The Trustees recommended the following tuition rates for the coming 2015 school year:

In district tuition	\$120.00 per credit hour
Illinois out-of-district tuition	\$230.00 per credit hour
Iowa contiguous counties	\$160.00 per credit hour
All other out-of-state	\$235.00 per credit hour
On-line (Illinois)	\$135.00 per credit hour
On-line (out of state)	\$160.00 per credit hour
Waiver Administration Fee	\$15 per credit hour

While it is not known how the other community colleges in our peer group will adjust their tuition and fees, these increases do not appear to be out of line.

V. ADJOURN

The motion was made by Trustee Black and seconded by Trustee Strand to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed on voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35.

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David L. Emerick, Jr., Chair  
Board of Trustees

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Dorothy W. Beck, Secretary  
Board of Trustees