

Steve Spivey of New Windsor, a longtime member of the Black Hawk College Board of Trustees, recently received the Ray Hartstein Trustee Achievement Award from the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (ICCTA).

The award recognizes extraordinary board service and leadership by an Illinois community college trustee. It is named after Ray Hartstein, the founding chair of Oakton Community College, a two-term ICCTA president and an ICCTA honorary member.

Spivey has been involved with Black Hawk College for most of his life, beginning as an agriculture student and continuing as a trustee and foundation director. His 23 years of board service encompass two separate terms (1985-2003 and 2017-present) and 12 years as board chair (1991-2003). During his tenure, he has guided the college through several presidential transitions and multiple improvements to the district.

Spivey has served on the board longer than any trustee in the college's history.

"Steve is a thoughtful, humble person who has served his college for more than 20 years," said Jon Looney, BHC trustee and ICCTA president. "He is a man of great character, morals, thoughtfulness, and has a great sense of humor."

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