

**APPROVED**

**MORAIN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
9000 West College Parkway  
Palos Hills, IL 60465**

The Governing Board of Moraine Valley Community College, District No. 524, Decennial Meeting, was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in Building D, Board Room D219, 9000 West College Parkway, Palos Hills, Illinois, 60465.

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Chair Beth McElroy Kirkwood asked meeting attendees to rise and join her in reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair McElroy Kirkwood at 5:06 PM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Board Chair; Patricia Joan Murphy; Joseph Murphy; Jaclyn O'Day; Tiffany S. Robinson; Tracy M. Sullivan; Eileen Kerlin Walsh; Demetri Sianis, Student Trustee; Pamela J. Haney, College President, Rick Hendricks, Vice President of Administrative Services and Chair of Decennial Committee; Thomas Kantas, Community Member; Paul Enderle, Community Member

Absent: None

**III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**IV. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME**

Dr. Pamela J. Haney thanked the Board of Trustees and the Moraine Valley Community College Decennial Committee members for attending the meeting. She said that as College President, she will serve on the committee. Dr. Haney introduced Rick Hendricks, Vice President of Administrative Services, and noted that Rick would be the committee chair. She also introduced Thomas Kantas, past president of the Moraine Valley Foundation Board and Partner at the Law Offices of Thomas A. Kantas, P.C. Attorneys at Law, and Paul Enderle, the Superintendent of Oak Lawn-Hometown School District 123. Mr. Kantas and Mr. Enderle will serve as community members on the Decennial Committee. Dr. Haney introduced Kelly Grab, Compliance Officer, who will assist the committee with their report.

**V. OVERVIEW OF APPLICABLE LAW AND PROCESS**

Mr. Hendricks outlined the tasks and timeline of the Decennial Committee. He noted the purpose of the committee per the Local Government Efficiency Act is “to study local efficiencies and report recommendations for increased accountability and efficiency to the Cook County Board.” The first task was to form the committee, which the college completed at the Regular Board Meeting on May 16, 2023. Mr. Hendricks said the first meeting will focus on discussing and selecting topics for the committee to research for their report. The second Decennial Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for 5:00 PM on December 19, 2023, before the Tax Levy Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. During the second committee meeting, the committee will review the research results of the topics selected during the first meeting and discuss observations. A report will be drafted following the second committee meeting. The third and final Decennial Committee Meeting is tentatively scheduled for 5:00 PM before the March 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Hendricks noted that the last committee meeting will include reviewing and approving the report.

**VI. POTENTIAL PROJECTS**

Kelly Grab, Compliance Officer, discussed several potential topics for the report. Ms. Grab and Mr. Hendricks gave the committee a handout categorizing topics by accountability and efficiency. Trustee Robinson suggested that the Dual Credit Quality Act would be a good topic to pursue. Trustee O'Day suggested pursuing the Workforce Development topic. Trustees O'Day, McElroy Kirkwood, P. Murphy, J. Murphy, Robinson, and Sullivan agreed that the Dual Credit Quality Act and Workforce Development topics would be beneficial to pursue. Trustee Robinson noted that her daughter is currently taking a dual credit course at her high school and that she believed it is a wonderful way for students to get an early start on their college courses. Trustee Patricia Murphy said the state is focusing heavily on dual credit. Trustee Joe Murphy discussed the importance of teachers pursuing Master's Degrees in their content areas.

Trustee Sullivan noted that the Higher Learning Commission accreditation requirements topic may be beneficial for the college to pursue so that the Board can better understand the accreditation requirements in the coming years. She noted that the Dual Credit Quality Act and Workforce Development topics should be the committee's priority. Board Chair McElroy Kirkwood agreed that the Dual Credit Quality Act and Workforce Development are the best topics to pursue. Trustee O'Day asked if the committee must pursue a certain number of topics. Ms. Grab said that there is no requirement for the number of topics. Mr. Enderle noted that the high school system has workforce needs because the workforce has shifted over the past few years. He also stated that dual credit is

essential for students in our communities. Mr. Enderle and Mr. Kantas agreed that the Dual Credit Quality Act and Workforce Development are great topics to pursue. The Decennial Committee decided to pursue the Dual Credit Quality Act and Workforce Development topics.

**VII. RESIDENT SURVEY**

No residents addressed the committee.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:24 PM.