

**APPROVED**

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

The Governing Board of Moraine Valley Community College, District No. 524, Regular Meeting, was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, in Building D, Board Room D219, 9000 West College Parkway, Palos Hills, Illinois, 60465.

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

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 Chair Beth McElroy Kirkwood at 6:00 PM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Chair; Joseph Murphy; Patricia Joan Murphy; Jaclyn O'Day (Arrived at 6:02 p.m.); Tiffany S. Robinson; Tracy M. Sullivan; Stefanie DaCosta, Student Trustee

Absent: Eileen Kerlin Walsh

Chair McElroy Kirkwood requested anyone calling in to state their name when speaking or making a motion for the record. She also asked those not speaking to keep their devices on mute.

**III. MINUTES**

It was moved by Trustee Joseph Murphy and seconded by Secretary Tiffany S. Robinson to approve the Unapproved Minutes, Committee of the Whole of the Board Meeting, October 15, 2024; Unapproved Minutes, Regular Meeting, October 15, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on approval of the Unapproved Minutes, Committee of the Whole of the Board Meeting, October 15, 2024; Unapproved Minutes, Regular Meeting, October 15, 2024:

Yes: McElroy Kirkwood, J. Murphy; P. Murphy; O'Day, Robinson, Sullivan

Absent: Kerlin Walsh

Student

Advisory: Yes.

Motion carried.

**IV. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

The Board received audience participation from Kelly Maynard, Eugene Herman, Anne Ouradnik, Kate Nadolski, Sara Palomo, and Tony Johnston regarding the Adjunct Faculty Association Contract and a request to include holiday pay for adjunct faculty in the next contract.

**V. BOARD REPORTS AND/OR REQUESTS****5.1 ICCTA Meeting Report**

Vice Chair Patricia Murphy discussed the November ICCTA Meeting. She noted that the meeting began with a roundtable discussion on the Board's role in student success and how colleges support Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Vice Chair Murphy noted that Trustee Sullivan, Secretary Robinson, and Student Trustee DaCosta participated in the roundtable discussion. The meeting also included a presentation on workforce development and committee meetings on legislative priorities.

Secretary Robinson noted that she serves on the ICCTA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. She highlighted that supporting the faculty and staff who assist students is crucial for their success. Additionally, she stressed the importance of Trustees recognizing their responsibility in supporting student needs.

Trustee Sullivan said she appreciated the opportunity to participate in the roundtable discussion and hear the experiences of Trustees at other community colleges across the state. She noted another significant focus of the roundtable discussions was BEP (Business Enterprise Program) and the importance of supplier diversity in college purchasing, encouraging the certification of minority-owned, women-owned, and veteran-owned businesses. She also noted a presentation that stressed the importance of Trustees understanding the logistics of Roberts Rules of Order.

Student Trustee DaCosta thanked the college and the Board for supporting her in attending the conference. She said she learned a lot, and she appreciated getting to spend time with the Trustees.

Vice Chair Murphy discussed a National Survey of Community College Trustees Survey conducted by the Association for Community College Trustees (ACCT). She said she would share the link to the survey with the Board.

**5.2 Student Trustee Report**

Student Trustee DaCosta provided her Student Trustee Report. Ms. DaCosta reported on the Big Pink Volleyball event, which raised \$3,200 for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She reported on the annual Halloween 5k sponsored by the Foundation. The proceeds of the 5K will help

fund scholarships for students. A Pumpkin Decorating Contest was held by the Moraine Valley Library, which raised \$585 for student scholarships. Ms. DaCosta said the 32 pumpkins were entered into the contest and praised those who participated for their creativity.

### 5.3 ACCT Leadership Congress Reports

Vice Chair Murphy began the report of the ACCT Leadership Congress by noting that the event serves as a way for community college Trustees from across the country to gather and share their experiences and knowledge. This year, the conference occurred in Seattle, Washington, and Vice Chair Murphy noted that Moraine Valley was well represented. Vice Chair Murphy was a presenter for two panels at the conference. The first presentation focused on a community college President's initiative on STEM. She presented alongside Dr. Brian Durham, Executive Director of the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB), Mr. Jim Reed, Executive Director of ICCTA, Dr. John Sands, Local Area Networks Faculty, and Dr. Sylvia Jenkins, President Emeritus of Moraine Valley Community College. She also participated in a presentation with Steve Pappageorge, Executive Director of Community Education, Workforce Development, and Government Relations, regarding the college's partnership with the Chicago Lighthouse.

Secretary Robinson also reported on the ACCT Leadership Congress and presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining her experiences. She said she attended sessions focusing on community colleges as catalysts for future skill development and participated in a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion committee meeting. Secretary Robinson emphasized the importance of collaboration between Trustees and college presidents and delivered a presentation about wraparound services that support students, stemming from her personal experiences at Moraine Valley. Additionally, she attended seminars on minority representation on boards and innovative resource allocation for students. Secretary Robinson said her time at the conference was professionally and personally enriching. She ended her report with a video of her catching a fish at the Pike Place Market with local fishmongers.

## **VI. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Pamela Haney thanked the Trustees and Student Trustee DaCosta and the Trustees for their reports. Dr. Haney mentioned the Project Care Food Pantry is now open in Building S. Dr. Normah Salleh-Barone, Vice President of Student Development, and Scott Friedman, Dean of Student Engagement, helped organize the ribbon-cutting ceremony. She thanked Cesar Ceron, Veterans Coordinator, Dr. Salleh-Barone, and Dr. Jo Ann Jenkins, Dean of Student Success, for hosting a wonderful Veterans Day Celebration. Dr. Haney also acknowledged Andy Hufnagl, Emergency Medical Technician and Fire Science Technology Coordinator, for hosting the Fire Academy Graduation.

### 6.1 President's Report

- **2024 ACCT Central Region Trustee Leadership Award:** Dr. Haney congratulated Trustee Joseph Murphy on receiving the 2024 ACCT Central Region Trustee Leadership Award during the 2024 ACCT Leadership Congress. Trustee Joseph Murphy thanked the college, board members, and communications specialist Karen Town for submitting such a beautiful application on his behalf. He said the nomination was an honor.
- **2024 ACCT National Faculty Member Award - Dr. John Sands:** Dr. Haney congratulated Dr. John Sands, Local Area Networks Faculty, on receiving the 2024 ACCT National Faculty Member Award during the 2024 ACCT Leadership Congress. Dr. Sands thanked Dr. Haney and the Board for the recognition.
- **FY2024 Audit Report:** Stephanie Meuris, Controller, noted that the Board of Trustees received drafts of the annual comprehensive financial report and single audit. She introduced Kelly Kirkman and Ronnie Christopher from RSM to present the audit report. Ms. Kirkman thanked Ms. Meuris and the Finance Department for their hard work in assisting them with completing the audit. She explained the phases of the audit process and expressed appreciation to the college's financial team for the excellent level of communication and support throughout the process. She reported on the financial results of the audit. Ms. Kirkman noted that the financial statement included clean audit opinions and that each opinion was unmodified. Ms. Kirkman discussed the college's financial highlights and reviewed a net position statement comparing financial information from 2023 to 2024. Ms. Kirkman said there were no significant deficiencies in the financial statement and no audit adjustments. Ms. Christopher noted an audit adjustment of approximately \$125,000 to increase prepaid balances and decrease expenses for errors identified in testing. Trustee Sullivan asked Ms. Christopher to explain the adjustment and if it was done to move money into the correct funds. Ms. Christopher confirmed it was a minor adjustment to move money to the correct location. Ronnie Christopher reported one audit finding relating to the Return of Title IV Funds. She noted that 3 of 60 college students tested with enrollment changes had inaccurate status effective dates reported to the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS). Ms. Christopher said the finding was minor and that college management had developed a corrective action plan to prevent future findings. The Board thanked Ms. Meuris, Ms. Kirkman, and Ms. Christopher for the presentation.
- **2024 Proposed Estimated Tax Levy:** Mike Cipolla, Vice President of Financial and Business Services and College Treasurer, shared information about the tax levy resolution, which was on the agenda for approval to set a

public hearing for the final tax levy in December. He noted that the Truth in Taxation Law requires the college to have a public hearing and to post a public notice regarding the hearing in the newspaper not more than fourteen and no less than seven days before the public hearing date. Mr. Cipolla reviewed the timeline for which the tax levy paperwork must be filed with the County. Once the paperwork is submitted to the County, the County finalizes the aggregate assessed value, the equalized assessed value, and the limiting rate. He reviewed the worksheet for the tax levy recommendation, explaining each line item and discussing the college funds eligible for the tax levy. The proposed estimated tax levy is 4.34% for 2024. The Board thanked Mr. Cipolla for the presentation.

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Kirkwood noted that the college received a letter from IL State Senator Michael Hastings regarding the press conference at the Southwest Education Center. A copy of the letter was shared with the Board.

**VIII. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

8.1(a) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report showing an ending balance of \$164,770,430.95 will be filed for audit.

(DOCUMENT A - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

8.1(b) Budget Report

(DOCUMENT B - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

8.1(c) Investments

(DOCUMENT C – SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

**CONSENT AGENDA (IX – XII):**

Trustee Sullivan requested agenda item 12.12, Revised Board Policy - 4410 - Residency, be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion. Trustee O'Day requested agenda item 12.15, New Board Policy - 2120 - Policy and Bylaw Development, be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion. Chair McElroy Kirkwood noted that the two agenda items would be pulled for discussion and voted on separately from the consent agenda.

It was moved by Trustee Joseph Murphy and seconded by Trustee Sullivan to approve the following consent agenda items:

**IX. WARRANTS**

The warrant summaries are presented to the Board.

9.1	Account Expenditure Summaries	
9.2	Education Fund	\$7,147,635.72
9.3	Operation & Maintenance Fund	929,481.61
9.4	Operation & Maintenance Fund (Restricted)	11,591.66
9.5	Bond & Interest Fund	-0-
9.6	Auxiliary Enterprise Fund	910,211.48
9.7	Restricted Purpose Fund	1,664,287.08
9.8	Working Cash Fund	-0-
9.9	Trust and Agency Fund	7,214.82
9.10	Audit Fund	-0-
9.11	Liability, Protection & Settlement Fund	-0-

(DOCUMENT D - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

**X. REPORT OF PERSONNEL**

Chair McElroy Kirkwood publicly identified the nature of the agenda items contained in the Report of Personnel.

10.1-1 Full-Time

- Cedomir Bojovic – Groundskeeper - Effective: 11/18/24
  - William Keiss – Groundskeeper - Effective: 11/18/24
  - Isaiah Perez - Manager of Student Life - Effective: 11/6/24
  - Anuradha Shankaralingam - Senior Applications Developer - Effective: 10/21/24
  - Thomas Sinagra Jr. – Groundskeeper - Effective: 11/18/24
  - Madisson Younglove - Assistant Director of Communications - Effective: 11/6/24
- (DOCUMENT E - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-2 Part-Time/Supplemental/Other

(DOCUMENT F - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-3 Salary Revisions

None.

10.1-4 Leave of Absence (LOA)

Dayna Busen - P.T. Departmental Assistant - L.O.A. (PARENTAL) – Effective 1/12/25 – 1/29/25

(DOCUMENT G - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5 Resignations/Terminations

Corinne Johnston - Assistant Director, Resource Development - Effective: 10/16/24

Carole Sharwarko - Project Coordinator - Effective: 11/12/24

(DOCUMENT H - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5(a) Retirement – Administrative, Confidential, Managerial & Supervisory Staff

Carmela Ochoa - Coordinator, High School Equivalency - Effective: 6/30/25

(DOCUMENT I - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5(b) Retirement – Faculty

Charles Bales - Professor, Mechanical Design and Drafting - Effective: 8/1/25

Sarah Bales - Professor, Biology - Effective: 8/1/25

Karen Borgstrom - Professor, Biology - Effective: 8/1/25

Maryan Jatczak - Associate Professor, Nursing - Effective: 8/1/25

Amy Madden - Professor, Mathematics - Effective: 8/1/25

(DOCUMENT J - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5(c) Retirement – Support Staff

Kathy Georgiou - Lead Cashier - Effective: 3/31/25

Leann Murphy - Program Assistant - Effective: 4/30/25

Carole Simko - Departmental Assistant - Effective: 6/30/25

Christine Toso - Accounting Clerk/Cashier - Effective: 6/30/25

Paula Young - Secretary II - Effective: 6/30/25

(DOCUMENT K - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-6 Reclassifications (Promotions, Transfers, Corrections, etc.)

Michelle Flory - from Assistant Professor of Communications to Associate Professor  
- Effective: Academic Year 2024-2025

Aaron Smith - from Associate Professor of Philosophy to Professor - Effective:  
Academic Year 2024-2025

Laura Vazquez - Reclassified from Secretary II, Student Life, to Secretary II,  
Corporate, Community & Continuing Education - Effective: 11/11/24

(DOCUMENT L - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

**XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

Chair McElroy Kirkwood identified the nature of the agenda items contained in New Business.

12.1 Affiliation Agreement with Absolutely Pawfect Pet Styling

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Absolutely Pawfect Pet Styling.

(DOCUMENT M - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.2 Affiliation Agreement with Aurora Health Care, Inc. (Health Information Technology)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Aurora Health Care, Inc. (Health Information Technology).

(DOCUMENT N - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.3 Affiliation Agreement with Chicago Ridge Fire Department (Emergency Medical Services Program)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Chicago Ridge Fire Department (Emergency Medical Services Program).

(DOCUMENT O - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.4 Affiliation Agreement with Lakeview Family Medical Care LLC (Medical Assistant)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Lakeview Family Medical Care LLC (Medical Assistant).

(DOCUMENT P - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.5 Affiliation Agreement with Loyola University Health System dba Loyola Medicine

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Loyola University Health System dba Loyola Medicine.

(DOCUMENT Q - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.6 Affiliation Agreement with Serenity House (Addiction Studies)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Serenity House (Addiction Studies).

(DOCUMENT R - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.7 Affiliation Agreement with Village of Evergreen Park (Emergency Medical Services Program)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Village of Evergreen Park (Emergency Medical Services Program).  
(DOCUMENT S - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.8 Approval of Metropolitan Alliance of Police Agreement (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2028)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Metropolitan Alliance of Police Agreement for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2028.  
(DOCUMENT T - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.9 Life Safety Project - Building T HVAC Replacement Phase 1

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Life Safety Project as presented.  
(DOCUMENT U - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.10 2024 Toyota bZ4X Limited Re-Bid

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024 Toyota bZ4X Limited Re-Bid as presented.  
(DOCUMENT V - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.11 2025 Chevrolet Blazer EV RS eAWD Bid

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2025 Chevrolet Blazer EV RS eAWD Bid.  
(DOCUMENT W - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.13 Revised Board Policy - 4450 - Cooperative Agreements and Chargebacks

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed revisions to Board Policy #4450 – Cooperative Agreements & Chargebacks, as presented.  
(DOCUMENT X - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.14 New Board Policy - 4640 - Volunteer Emergency Worker Accommodation

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed new Board Policy #4640 – Volunteer Emergency Worker Accommodation, as presented.  
(DOCUMENT Y - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.16 2024 Resolution Determining the Estimated Tax Levy and Public Hearing Notice

It is recommended that the Board approve the Resolution Determining the Estimated Tax Levy and Public Hearing Notice, as presented.  
(DOCUMENT Z - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.17 Summer Term - Fridays

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt a summer schedule for full days off for Fridays during the summer term.  
(DOCUMENT AA - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.18 Acceptance of FY2024 Audit

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees accept the Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, as presented. A copy of the Audit will be filed with the State of Illinois.  
(DOCUMENT AB - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN on Consent Agenda Items 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7, 9.8, 9.9, 9.10, and 9.11 (including travel reimbursements); 10.1-1, 10.1-2, 10.1-4, 10.1-5, 10.1-5(a), 10.1-5(b), 10.1-5(c), and 10.1-6; and 12.1, 12.2, 12.3, 12.4, 12.5, 12.6, 12.7, 12.8, 12.9, 12.10, 12.11, 12.13, 12.14, 12.16, 12.17, and 12.18:

Yes: McElroy Kirkwood, J. Murphy, P. Murphy, O’Day, Robinson, Sullivan  
Absent: Kerlin Walsh  
Student  
Advisory: Yes.

Motion carried.

12.12 Revised Board Policy - 4410 - Residency

The Board discussed agenda item 12.12, Revised Board Policy - 4410 – Residency. Trustee Sullivan noted that she is concerned about the proposed policy revisions outlined in the board packet. She said that most of the policy has been removed, leaving only one sentence: "The Dean of Enrollment Services, or designee, shall determine the legal residence of each applicant for tuition purposes in accordance with administrative procedures and state law." She said she believes the revised wording needs to be more specific and may need to be clarified for individuals trying to determine their residency status

Dr. Haney asked Kelly Grab, Compliance Officer, to explain the proposed revisions. Ms. Grab noted that the board policy changes are brief, but detailed information is published in the college catalog, which is revised annually to reflect updates in legal residency laws. Instead of revising the board policy each time the law changes, the college incorporates necessary information into the catalog, guiding students to refer to that for residency details. This approach allows the specifics to remain administrative, avoiding repetition in both the board policy and the catalog.

Trustee Joseph Murphy stated that the Dean of Enrollment Services and Registration Office work with students constantly and have procedures that they follow to ensure updates are reflected in the catalog. He said he believes the proposed revisions make the policy more flexible and long-lasting because the policy only references the State procedures.

Ms. Grab noted that the residency laws change frequently and that the information in the current version of the policy is outdated. She said the policy was strategically written so the information would be housed in the college catalog, updated annually, instead of needing to bring the policy to the Board for approval whenever a change occurs in the law.

Trustee Sullivan asked if there would be a link in the policy that would bring Trustees to the catalog to see the specific information regarding the residency requirements. Ms. Grab said Board Policies typically do not include links to administrative procedures or the law, but they do reference statutory citations. She said the revised policy references the legal citations where residency is defined in the Public Community College Act.

Trustee Sullivan thanked Ms. Grab for explaining the policy but noted that she believes the policy is vague and should match the college policy.

It was moved by Trustee Joseph Murphy and seconded by Vice Chair Patricia Murphy to approve agenda item 12.12, Revised Board Policy - 4410 – Residency.

(DOCUMENT AC - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on approval of agenda item 12.12, Revised Board Policy - 4410 – Residency:

Yes: McElroy Kirkwood, J. Murphy; P. Murphy; Robinson,  
No: O'Day, Sullivan  
Absent: Kerlin Walsh  
Student  
Advisory: Yes.

Motion carried.

### 12.15 New Board Policy - 2120 - Policy and Bylaw Development

The Board discussed agenda item 12.15, New Board Policy - 2120 - Policy and Bylaw Development. Trustee O'Day began the discussion by voicing her opposition to the proposed new policy. She said she believes this policy is one of the most important policies that will come before the Board because it governs how they conduct policy-making and that she felt a discussion was necessary. Trustee O'Day said she is concerned that the policy as written will have unintended consequences for the Board. She noted that her opposition is not towards any individuals or personalities and stems from the proposed policy binding future Boards regarding how they conduct policy. Trustee O'Day said that policy-making and the delegation of duties are fundamental responsibilities of the Board. She noted that she has a master's degree from Northwestern College in Public Policy and Administration and an 18-year career in government relations, and she takes policymaking very seriously. Trustee O'Day said the policy requires Board members who wish to discuss the policy or policy amendments to notify the Board Chair and College President. She said that the attorney for the Board confirmed that no state statute dictates or delegates the responsibility of policy development to the college president. She said the legal reference in the proposed policy states community college Boards adopt and enforce all necessary rules for the management and government of the colleges of its district. She said the policy, as written, takes the responsibility away from the Board and will always require policy changes to involve the college president. She said she believes it is essential to have the college president involved in providing guidance on many policies, but she believes it is not always in the best interest of constituents to always have the involvement of a president. She said she believes the policy weakens the Board and strengthens the role of the president and that no future president will propose a revision to the policy to remove themselves from the policy-making role.

Secretary Robinson said she disagreed with Trustee O'Day and noted that she attended a seminar at the ACCT Leadership Congress that focused on Board policies. She said the Board ultimately decides on the policies because they cannot be enacted unless the Board approves them. She noted that Trustees can pull agenda items for discussion and separate votes, allowing them to share what they believe is in the college's best interest. She said she does not see any issues with the policy as written. She noted that the Trustees discussed the protocol and the process of how Board policies are developed and amended during recent Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Trustee Sullivan said the consultant the college brought in to speak to the Board during a Board retreat was emphatic that the college needed to have a policy on Board policies. She said she believes the college needs a policy on Board policies. Trustee Sullivan noted that she does not share all of Trustee O'Day's concerns, but she does share many of them. She said she supports the proposed new policy as presented after it was revised based on Trustee feedback. Trustee Sullivan said she would vote no on

all policies until the college has a policy on Board policies as recommended by legal counsel and the expert from ACCT.

It was moved by Trustee Joseph Murphy and seconded by Secretary Robinson to approve agenda item 12.15, New Board Policy - 2120 - Policy and Bylaw Development.

(DOCUMENT AD - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on approval of agenda item 12.15, New Board Policy - 2120 - Policy and Bylaw Development:

Yes: McElroy Kirkwood, J. Murphy; P. Murphy; Robinson, Sullivan  
No: O'Day  
Absent: Kerlin Walsh  
Student  
Advisory: Yes.

Motion carried.

**XIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

Trustee Joseph Murphy announced that he will attend the Christmas Party and Tree Lighting Ceremony at the White House from December 4, 2024, to December 5, 2024. He noted that he will attend as Santa and is excited to share his experiences from the event with the college.

Chair McElroy Kirkwood read aloud the letter sent by IL State Senator Michael Hastings.

Secretary Robinson said she attended the District 218 College and Career Fair with her daughter in late October. She noted that the college had tables at the event and saw information related to the TRIO program, which helped her as a Moraine Valley student and a returning adult. She thanked the employees who were a part of the event for helping support our communities.

Trustee Sullivan said she was incredibly moved while attending the Project Care Food Pantry Ribbon Cutting Ceremony earlier in the day. She said she donated to the Foundation and encouraged the Board and everyone in the audience to join her in donating.

The Board wished the Moraine Valley Community College students and employees a happy Thanksgiving holiday.

**XIV. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.