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MORAINE 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 Thursday, April 16, 2026, 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 p.m.

Secretary Kerlin Walsh was unable to attend the meeting in-person. Trustee Tracy M. Sullivan served as Secretary Pro Tempore.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:	Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Chair; Dr. Walter Fronczek; Eileen Kerlin Walsh (Virtual); Patricia Joan Murphy; Jaclyn O'Day; Diane Shaar; Tracy M. Sullivan; Garrett Weigel, Student Trustee
Absent:	None.

III. MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Trustee Shaar to approve the unapproved minutes of the regular meeting on March 19, 2026.

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on the unapproved minutes of the regular meeting on March 19, 2026:

Yes:	Fronczek, Kerlin Walsh, McElroy Kirkwood, Murphy, O'Day, Shaar, Sullivan
Absent:	None.
Student Advisory:	Yes.

Motion carried.

IV. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

V. BOARD REPORTS AND/OR REQUESTS

3.1 Recognition of Service - Garrett Weigel, Student Trustee

Chair McElroy Kirkwood expressed appreciation for Garrett Weigel's year of service as student trustee. She thanked him on behalf of the Board of Trustees for his dedication and contributions to Moraine Valley Community College and said it had been a pleasure getting to know him. Student Trustee Weigel expressed gratitude for having been elected to the position and shared that he was thankful for the opportunity to learn from the Board and participate in its meetings.

3.2 Oath of Office - Student Trustee - Michelle Segovia

Chair McElroy Kirkwood administered the Oath of Office to Michelle Segovia, the Student Trustee for the 2026-27 academic year. Student Trustee Segovia introduced herself to the Board and said she was excited for the opportunity to gain leadership experience and to serve as a voice for students who might feel unheard. She discussed her journey at Moraine Valley and noted that she has received support from resources around campus. Student Trustee Segovia concluded her presentation by expressing gratitude to her family and friends for their support.

3.3 ICCTA Meeting Report - P. Murphy

Vice Chair Murphy reported on the ICCTA March meeting, held from March 19 through March 21 at Moraine Valley Community College. She shared that the visiting community college trustees and presidents expressed being very impressed by the campus, the organization of the meetings, the food and the welcome gifts. Vice Chair Murphy noted that the meeting focused on how colleges can support students who rely on FAFSA and on improving high school engagement and dual enrollment pathways. She expressed gratitude to Dr. John Sands, Local Area Networks faculty, who provided a presentation on artificial intelligence (AI) strategies during the seminar on Friday, March 20. Vice Chair Murphy reported that the ICCTA Executive Committee and Board of Representatives meetings were held on Saturday. She said she was pleased and excited to have Student Trustee Weigel discuss his college journey during the Board of Representatives meeting.

VI. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Presentation to Patricia Brown (retirement)

Dr. Kelli Harris, dean of Nursing, congratulated Patricia Brown, professor of Nursing, on her retirement and acknowledged her contributions to the college. A gift of appreciation was presented on behalf of Dr. Haney and the Board of Trustees.

6.2 Presentation to Judith Corcoran (retirement)

Dr. Kelli Harris, dean of Nursing, congratulated Judith Corcoran, professor of Nursing, on her retirement and acknowledged her contributions to the college. A gift of appreciation was presented on behalf of Dr. Haney and the Board of Trustees.

6.3 Presentation to Barbara Martin (retirement)

Dr. Kelli Harris, dean of Nursing, congratulated Barbara Martin, professor of Nursing, on her retirement and acknowledged her contributions to the college. A gift of appreciation was presented on behalf of Dr. Haney and the Board of Trustees.

6.4 President's Report

- College Updates: Dr. Haney provided updates from around the campus. Dr. Haney reported that the college hosted Grad Fest on Wednesday, April 8, which featured activities such as a DJ, photo booths, games and prize offerings while allowing students to register and pick up graduation materials. She noted that 256 students attended. Dr. Haney also shared that the college finalized a new engineering articulation agreement with Illinois Institute of Technology. This agreement provides guaranteed admission, dedicated advising, and access to a $25,000 transfer scholarship. She said the agreement was made possible by the leadership of Dr. Michael Bates, dean of Science Business and Computer Technology, Dr. Helen Wood, assistant dean of Science Business and Computer Technology, Dr. Scott Friedman, dean of Student Engagement and Dr. Tina Carney-Simon, transfer coordinator. Dr. Haney noted that Trustee Fronczek was featured in an issue of Velocity magazine and congratulated him on the recognition. She said the article would be shared with the Board.

- Enrollment Report: Blaise Denton, assistant director of Institutional Research, Planning and Effectiveness, presented the Spring 2026 Enrollment Report. Mr. Denton began the presentation by defining key general enrollment terms. He noted that the college is up 3.5% in credit headcount and 4.4% in total credit hours since spring 2025. He presented the headcount and credit hours data based on the five-year trend, which have both increased over the last five years. Mr. Denton reported a fall-to-spring retention rate of 72.1%, which was in line with the 2024 and 2025 retention rates. He provided a breakdown of credit hours by modality, noting that 63% are traditional, 31% are online and 6% are hybrid. Mr. Denton discussed the credit hours of dual credit students, which have increased by 4.1% in the past year and by 18% over the past five years. He mentioned that the winter session has continued to grow, with a 17% increase in headcount and an 18.1% increase in credit hours over the past year. Trustee O'Day asked which high schools were utilizing dual credit the most. Mr. Denton said that Sandburg, Revis, Shepherd and Argo had the most dual credit courses. Trustee Sullivan asked if there was a specific reason for the increase in enrollment at the Southwest Education Center and Education Center at Blue Island. Mr. Denton noted that Basic Nursing Assistant (BNA) courses now are being offered at these locations and this likely led to the increased enrollment.

- Foundation Report: Kristy McGreal, executive director of the Foundation, presented a Foundation Report. Ms. McGreal discussed the Foundation's role in supporting students, the college and its programs through its strong partnership with the college. She shared that over the past year, the Foundation disbursed nearly $1 million to the college and expressed optimism about surpassing that amount in the coming year. She noted that Foundation support was directed primarily towards students, including scholarships and student emergency assistance. She reported that the Foundation awarded more than 360 scholarships totaling over $425,000 and saw a 38% increase in student emergency requests. She emphasized the importance of this support in helping students persist and remain enrolled so they can continue working towards their educational goals. Ms. McGreal explained that the Foundation also worked closely with the college to align its efforts with the institution's long-term strategic vision and master planning process. She said the Foundation considered these plans annually to determine how best to support future growth and institutional priorities.

Ms. McGreal said that, should the Board of Trustees pursue a referendum, the Foundation's role would be that of a community-facing educational partner. She explained that the Foundation would focus on educating the public about the referendum's purpose, student impact, workforce needs and tax implications, using consistent messaging developed by the college. Ms. McGreal outlined the legally distinct roles involved in a referendum effort and clarified that the Foundation would serve in an educational capacity while a separate campaign committee would handle advocacy and voter outreach. She noted that the Board of Trustees would be responsible for approving the referendum ballot language. Ms. McGreal discussed a general timeline, stating that spring efforts would focus on defining messaging, summer efforts on outreach planning and engagement, and fall efforts on community presence leading up to election day in November. Ms. McGreal stated that the Foundation Board was fully engaged and enthusiastic about the potential referendum and its potential impact on students, the workforce and the community. She expressed the Foundation's full readiness to support the effort and conveyed confidence in carrying out the work. Trustee Sullivan asked about the composition of the campaign committee. Ms. McGreal said the committee is volunteer-led and there would be some subcommittees. She said the committees would be composed of volunteers from the community, faculty and staff, and Foundation Board members. She noted that college employees and Foundation Board members cannot do committee work during regular work hours. Vice Chair Murphy asked if Trustees are allowed to go out into the community and advocate for a referendum. Ms. McGreal stated that they could provide only factual information.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VIII. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Chair McElroy Kirkwood stated that Mike Cipolla, vice president of Financial & Business Services, was unable to attend the Board meeting. She noted that Mr. Cipolla will present the April and May financial reports during the regular meeting on May 21, 2026.

8.1(a) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report showing an ending balance of $155,762,222.14 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 asked for agenda item 12.4, MVCC 2026 Lab Renovations Bid, to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

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

IX. WARRANTS

9.1	Account Expenditure Summaries	
9.2	Education Fund	$6,168,561.21
9.3	Operation & Maintenance Fund	944,330.01
9.4	Operation & Maintenance Fund (Restricted)	205,357.84
9.5	Bond & Interest Fund	-0-
9.6	Auxiliary Enterprise Fund	730,009.53
9.7	Restricted Purpose Fund	1,390,820.44
9.8	Working Cash Fund	-0-
9.9	Trust and Agency Fund	4,854.96
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

Aristotelis Archos - Instructor, Business - Effective: 8/17/26
Paul Bojko - Instructor, Heating and Air Conditioning - Effective: 8/17/26
Eileen Dowdall - Instructor, Basic Nursing - Effective: 8/17/26
David Drabik - Accounting Systems Analyst - Effective: 3/23/26
Claressa Jones - Instructor, Nursing - Effective: 8/17/26
Ameera Othman - Instructor, Nursing - Effective: 8/17/26
Salvatore Palazzolo - Instructor, Engineering Technology - Effective: 8/17/26
Roy Seils - Accounts Payable Clerk - Effective: 4/6/26
Jamara Starks- Assistant Professor, Nursing - Effective: 8/17/26
Sheree Sullivan-Redd - Human Resources Assistant - Effective 3/23/26
Lauren Trlak - Instructor, Nursing - Effective 8/17/26
Stephanie Yeh - Instructor, Biology - Effective 8/17/26
(DOCUMENT E - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-1(a) Non-Renewal of Appointment – Grant-Funded Administrative, Confidential, Managerial & Supervisory Staff

It is recommended that the appointment of the following individuals not be renewed for FY 2027 effective June 30, 2026:

Rafif Abuzaghleh	Coordinator, Adult Education Curriculum
John Andres	Coordinator of Records & Assessment
Margaret Dawczak	Manager of Outreach & ESL
Melanie Olivera-Jones	Director of Educational Talent Search
Lauren Zajac	Transition Coordinator

(DOCUMENT F - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-1(b) Non-Renewal of Appointment – Grant-Funded Professional Staff

It is recommended that the appointment of the following individuals not be renewed for FY 2027 effective June 30, 2026:

Diana Medina	Career Programs Project Manager, PATH
Sara Othman	Systems Specialist – ABE/HSE/ESL
Tonesha Sanders	Student Success Specialist

(DOCUMENT G - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-1(c) Non-Renewal of Appointment – Grant-Funded Support Staff

It is recommended that the appointment of the following individuals not be renewed for FY 2027 effective June 30, 2026:

Sanaa Awaidah	Departmental Assistant
Hortencia Correa	Program Assistant
Daniel Galvan	P.T. Program Assistant
Janet Olesky	Secretary II
Rylee Youpel	P.T. Departmental Assistant

(DOCUMENT H - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-1(d) Non-Renewal of Appointment – Administrative, Confidential, Managerial and Supervisory Staff

It is recommended that the appointment of the following individual not be renewed for FY 2027 effective June 30, 2026:

Christopher Kaczmaryn	Manager of Multimedia Services

(DOCUMENT I - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-2 Part-Time/Supplemental/Other

(DOCUMENT J - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-3 Salary Revisions

None.

10.1-4 Leave of Absence (LOA)

None.

10.1-4(a) Sabbatical Leave – Faculty

In accordance with the Faculty Negotiated Agreement, two (2) applications for sabbatical leave were received. The applications were reviewed by the Faculty Development Committee, the appropriate dean, and the vice president. It is recommended that the following faculty members be granted sabbatical leave:

Dr. Jeffrey McCully, Professor, Sociology - Spring 2027 semester with full pay
Dr. Souzan Naser, Professor, Counseling - Spring 2027 semester with full pay
(DOCUMENT K - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5 Resignations/Terminations

Sara Cerda - Financial Aid Assistant - Effective: 3/31/26
Asmaa Herzallah - Admissions Support Assistant - Effective: 4/6/26
Richard Magno - Maintenance Mechanical III - Effective: 3/26/26
(DOCUMENT L - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5(a) Retirements – Professionals

S Michael Crehan - Event Coordinator - Effective:12/31/26
Stanley Kostka - CAE Regional Resource Center Manager - Effective: 12/31/26
(DOCUMENT M - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-5(b) Retirements – Support Staff

Barbara Kreczmer - Departmental Assistant - Effective: 5/28/26
(DOCUMENT N - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-6 – Reclassifications

Marichu Belarmino – from P.T. Accounting Clerk/Cashier to P.T. Accounting Clerk II - Effective: 4/13/26
Sundus Madi-McCarthy – from Assistant Professor, Advising to Associate Professor - Effective: Academic Year 2026-2027
Michael Vazquez - from Applications Support Specialist to Instructor, Office Technology - Effective: 8/17/26
(DOCUMENT O - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

10.1-6(a) – Department Chair Appointment for Academic Years 2026-2028

Pursuant to the terms of the 2024-2028 Negotiated Agreement with the Moraine Valley Faculty Association, Section 1.15, and as a result of a retirement, the following individual has been recommended as Department Chair for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 academic years.

Lisa Mittler - Department Chair, Business
(DOCUMENT P - 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 Capella University (BNA)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Capella University (BNA).
(DOCUMENT Q - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.2 Affiliation Agreement with Providea Health Partners, LLC (Medical Assistant)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Affiliation Agreement with Providea Health Partners, LLC (Medical Assistant).
(DOCUMENT R - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.3 2026 Learning Resource Center (LRC) Classroom Furniture Purchase

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2026 Learning Resource Center (LRC) Classroom Furniture Purchase.
(DOCUMENT S - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.5 Ford Transit 150 Base V6 Flex Cargo Van Bid

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Ford Transit 150 Base V6 Flex Cargo Van Bid.
(DOCUMENT T - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.6 Resolution of Observance of Arbor Day - April 24, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Resolution of Observance of Arbor Day - April 24, 2026.
(DOCUMENT U - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

12.7 Letter of Support for Palos Heights Gateway Request for TIF Extension

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve Letter of Support for Palos Heights Gateway Request for TIF Extension.

(DOCUMENT V - 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, 10.1-1(a), 10.1-1(b), 10.1-1(c), 10.1-1(d), 10.1-2, 10.1-4(a), 10.1-5, 10.1-5(a), 10.1-5(b), 10.1-6, and 10.1-6(a); and 12.1, 12.2, 12.3, 12.5, 12.6, and 12.7:

Yes:	Fronczek, McElroy Kirkwood, Kerlin Walsh, Murphy, O'Day, Shaar, Sullivan
Absent:	None.
Student Advisory:	Abstain.

Motion carried.

12.4 MVCC 2026 Lab Renovations Bid

Trustee Sullivan asked if the lab renovation bid included the costs for new equipment or if it was solely a construction project. Dr. Haney said she believed the college already owned the equipment and that the costs were only for the renovations. She said she would confirm and respond to the Board. It was moved by Trustee O'Day and seconded by Trustee Sullivan to approve agenda item 12.4, MVCC 2026 Lab Renovations Bid.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the MVCC 2026 Lab Renovations Bid.
(DOCUMENT W - SUPPLEMENT TO MINUTES)

ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN on MVCC 2026 Lab Renovations Bid:

Yes:	Fronczek, McElroy Kirkwood, Kerlin Walsh, Murphy, O'Day, Shaar, Sullivan
Absent:	None.
Student Advisory:	Abstain.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

3.1 First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 1000 (Mission, Vision, and Core Values)

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to Board Policy 1000 (Mission, Vision, and Core Values). There was no further discussion regarding this policy.

3.2 First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 2400 (Board Meetings)

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to Board Policy 2400 (Board Meetings). There was no further discussion regarding this policy.

3.3 Referendum Discussion

Chair McElroy Kirkwood noted that she asked Dr. Haney to prepare a summary of the key items the Board needed to consider regarding the referendum. She identified the information supplied to the Board and stated that all documents would be shared with them electronically. She invited John Murphey, college attorney, to lead the referendum discussion. Attorney Murphey discussed the administrative steps taken since the Board retreat to prepare referendum materials for Board consideration. He explained that the administration drafted a proposed referendum ballot question intended to be clear, concise and effective in communicating the purpose. He noted that the proposed language was reviewed with the college's bond counsel, Chapman and Cutler LLP. He noted that particular attention was given to maintaining flexibility in the language, using phrases such as "including but not limited to" to account for future needs and evolving technologies. Attorney Murphey stated that Chapman and Cutler reviewed and endorsed the proposed ballot question. He noted that the amount of borrowing associated with the referendum would need to be discussed and decided on by the Board. He explained that the College's goal was to align repayment of existing bonds with potential new bond payments to minimize financial impact. He stated that, while property taxes are complex, the college anticipates being able to communicate that the impact on taxpayers would be minimal, noting that the college accounts for only approximately 4% of the total property tax bill. Attorney Murphey explained that if the Board adopts the referendum resolution and amount, the college's legal responsibilities are complete after filing with the county clerk. He stated that the county clerk then handles all ballot-related processes, including notices and ballot preparation. He concluded by stating that once the resolution is approved and filed, the Board's role in placing the referendum on the ballot is complete. Attorney Murphy invited the Board to ask questions.

Trustee Shaar asked how the college can communicate to taxpayers that it will not result in a large tax increase for them. Attorney Murphey said it is an information matter that the college will have to explain when the last payment from the 2006 bonds ends and the first payment of the 2026 bonds takes their place. He noted that it is impossible to give an exact dollar amount because there are so many variables.

Trustee Sullivan stated that selecting the appropriate referendum amount was critically important and warranted careful consideration by the Board. She emphasized the need to ensure the College was fully prepared for future costs and changes, noting that while staff had shared projections, the Board's responsibility was to make sure the chosen amount would support the project through completion without unexpected issues years down the road. Trustee Sullivan stated that this was a significant decision, affecting both campus priorities and taxpayers, including the trustees themselves. She expressed that the right amount might not necessarily be the lowest amount and confirmed she was comfortable with that if it meant doing the project properly. She encouraged fellow trustees to reflect on their individual thresholds and responsibilities to taxpayers, underscoring that the ultimate goal was to proceed thoughtfully and responsibly.

Trustee O'Day stated that she would like an economic impact analysis for our region before deciding on the referendum. Trustee O'Day referenced an occupational report provided to the Board and asked how it was created and which sources were used. Dr. Haney said they asked some faculty members to conduct a deeper dive to pull 30 years of occupational data, as requested by Trustee O'Day. She noted that the faculty members who pulled the report said it is difficult to predict 30 years in the future because the report gives models based on what is actually happening at the time. Trustee O'Day asked if Perplexity was used to generate the report and noted that it is a deep-think AI research tool. Dr. Haney said the report was created using Perplexity. Trustee O'Day said that, while the information provided thus far was helpful in justifying the need for the proposed investment, she required additional information before she could feel comfortable supporting a referendum of this magnitude. She stated that, before asking taxpayers to invest upwards of $100 million, she would like to see independent, outside and verifiable analysis. Trustee O'Day explained that the analysis should include regional economic, as well as the local economic effects of higher-earning graduates' spending within the community. She also noted the importance of evaluating workforce demand in the region, taking into account graduates from competing two-year and four-year institutions to determine whether the market could become saturated and whether the proposed investments aligned with long-term workforce needs. Trustee O'Day said having this analysis would strengthen the college's ability to justify the investment to taxpayers. She thanked the college staff for providing information, but stated that she would maintain this position until an economic impact analysis is provided for the region.

Trustee Sullivan said she would like to know what the impact would be for the building for the specific funding levels. She said she wants to make sure the college does not limit what it can accomplish with the referendum. Trustee Sullivan said that, with the exception of Trustee Fronczek, most trustees had not previously gone through a referendum process and emphasized the importance of doing it correctly. She stated that the investment decision was significant because opportunities to pursue such funding are infrequent, and it was critical to ensure the college was adequately investing in its students. She expressed concern that selecting the lower proposed funding amounts could limit the college's ability to fully serve students. She said she encouraged her fellow trustees to carefully consider choosing an amount that would allow the college to meet student needs effectively when the Board reaches its decision.

Trustee Fronczek said that determining the appropriate dollar amount for the potential referendum is a complex decision. He acknowledged the need to be mindful of taxpayers. He stated that taxpayer dollars are not the only possible funding source. Trustee Fronczek said setting a clear budget limit could help ensure fiscal responsibility.

Vice Chair Murphy said the Board also needs to focus on a dollar amount that will ensure the referendum passes. She said that affordability and taxes are on the minds of many voters. Vice Chair Murphy said it was important to find the dollar amount most likely to gain voter support.

Trustee Sullivan asked Attorney Murphy to explain the mechanics of bond issuance and interest accrual. She specifically asked whether issuing the full bond amount at once would result in paying interest on unused funds, and whether bonds could instead be issued in phases. Attorney Murphey said that if the referendum passes, the college would have long-term authority to issue bonds, either all at once or in multiple series. He noted that the timing of issuance involves strategic financial considerations and stated that each bond sale would require separate Board approval. He recommended that a financial expert be involved in those decisions.

Chair McElroy Kirkwood said she felt it was important for the Board to decide and take a potential vote at the May Board meeting. She asked the Board to continue to think about the referendum funding level.

Additional Miscellaneous Discussion

Trustee Sullivan noted that the discussions have continued regarding the proposal to hire a state lobbying firm to assist with legislative matters in Springfield. She stated that the scope of services was in the final stages of development and that the process remained on track for interviews and Board action at the June meeting. Trustee Sullivan noted that no RFP had been issued yet and that she planned to meet with Dr. Haney to obtain her final review before sharing the material with Chair McElroy Kirkwood.

Chair McElroy Kirkwood presented the Board with potential regular meeting dates 2026-2027. She noted that the regular meeting dates would be on the agenda for approval at the May Board meeting. She provided a handout listing potential dates for the regular Board meetings. She noted that, historically, the Board's regular meetings were held on the third Tuesday of each month. Chair McElroy Kirkwood stated that for the 2025-2026 academic year, the Board changed the dates to the third Thursday of the month. The handout contains options for regular meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays. She opened the floor for discussion and asked if there were any preferences or concerns for the dates of the regular meetings.

Trustee O'Day said the third Thursday of the month has worked out well for her and her schedule. She noted that it would be challenging for her to attend in person on Tuesday evenings, but that she would respect the Board's decision. Trustee Sullivan said she has standing obligations on Tuesday nights, which may conflict with meetings that day. Chair McElroy Kirkwood thanked the Board for the feedback.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Trustee Fronczek and seconded by Vice Chair Murphy to adjourn to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act and to discuss litigation pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on motion to move to a closed session:

Yes:	McElroy Kirkwood, Fronczek, Kerlin Walsh, Murphy, O'Day, Shaar, Sullivan
Absent:	None
Student Advisory:	Yes.

Motion carried.

Chair McElroy Kirkwood indicated that there would be no additional Board business after the closed session.

The Board moved to closed session at 7:32 p.m. The Board returned to open session at 8:50 p.m.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.