

**League of Women Voters  
COD Observers Report**

**Meeting date:** 2/21/19  
**Location of meeting:** SCC 2200

**Meeting started:** 6:07 PM – Closed Session; 8:07 PM Open Session; 9:30 PM Second Closed Session, with meeting to adjourn immediately after closed session

**Meeting adjourned:** [REDACTED] PM; *Minutes unavailable* at time of this writing, March 21, or revision April 12.

**League Observer(s):** Diana Hoke

**Call to Order:** Frank Napolitano, Vice Chair

**Pledge:** Led by Lisle Girl Scouts, pics with Napolitano

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Members/Trustees present (P) not present (NP) tardy (T):

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Deanne Mazzochi, Board Chairman (outgoing)

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Frank Napolitano, Board Vice Chairman, Acting Chairman for tonight's meeting

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Christine Fenne, Board Secretary

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Alan Bennett

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Charles Bernstein

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Daniel Markwell

\_\_\_T\_\_\_ Joseph C. Wozniak (Came after closed session)

\_\_\_P\_\_\_ Sonia Paul, Student Member

**Estimated Number Attending (excluding Board and Staff):** 2/3 Full

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**CLOSED SESSION 6:07**

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION 8:07**

**SECOND CLOSED SESSION 9:30**

## PUBLIC COMMENT

1) Shannon Toler, Faculty Senate President and Jackie McGrath, Faculty Senate Vice President:

- Praised Chairman Mazzochi for commitment to inquiry, listening, discipline, and process.
- Presented a Resolution regarding the Presidential search emphasizing the necessity for patience, thoroughness, public input, and a deep recruitment field.
- Recognized retiring faculty.
- RE Trustee Resignation and appointment on agenda: “Let’s do better this time.” Not like in 2016.

2) Cheryl Baunbach-Caplan, Adjunct Faculty Association President (CODA) – Thanked Mazzochi for being open to meet with constituents.

3) Dan Bailey, former COD Board candidate – The appointment following the resignation on tonight’s agenda should be slowed down to allow for a deeper recruitment field and a more open process. It was announced only days prior to the meeting.

4) Richard Jarman, Faculty Association President – Praised Mazzochi generally, including for a substantial personal contribution to a scholarship that had lost other funding.

## REPORTS

- Chairman’s Report: Vice-Chairman Napolitano (misplaced, moved on to next report for moment)
- Student Trustee’s Report: Student Trustee Paul highlighted the Model UN; gave floor to Professor David Goldberg, who thanked Chris Goergen for building the club, and other faculty; highlighted several students for outstanding participation; gave floor to Natasha Gonzalez, current president, who thanked Board for funding the club.
- Chairman’s Report: Vice-Chair Napolitano discussed new tradition of having community group lead the pledge. Expounded on the benefits of scouting, especially leadership.
- President’s Report: Interim President Dr. Brian Caputo gave floor to Bruce Schmiedl of the Facilities Planning and Development Department, who presented 2017-2021 **Facilities Master Plan Update & Discussion**.
- (For FMP details see: [http://www.cod.edu/about/facilities/facilities\\_master\\_plan/index.aspx](http://www.cod.edu/about/facilities/facilities_master_plan/index.aspx))
  - FMP discussion included six major topics: Why Plan, Process, Five Recommendations, Concept Plan, Future classrooms, Priorities/Phasing/Cost Estimates.
  - Consultants Perkins and Will created a plan to fit with the Guided Pathways Education Model. There was a 23-member advisory committee, two student info sessions, six public planning workshops, and over 450 faculty/staff surveys/comments.
  - The five big recommendations were: *Connect* east and west campuses across Lambert; focus on *Retention*; *integrate STEM* with Liberal Arts and improve STEM programs in general; focus on *Diversity*; focus on *Technology*.
  - There are A and B options. Facilities may include: new or renovated tech/STEM center with vocational “maker spaces”; a conference center; renovations to the MAC for the Kahlo exhibit; upgrades to the recreation/athletics buildings; better Field Studies storage facility. In the far future, they plan to build up the far west side, including putting Continuing Education there.
  - Of note, with either plan: renovate 7%, expand 14% over current footprint over 10 years; preserve prairie and wetland spaces; plans promise that increased lab space won’t reduce classroom space.

- Question - Fenne: Regarding satellite facilities, Provost says they need to do “preliminary work with strategic enrollment management” before putting in more money. Planners said: satellites not included in the plan; they want more time to “tailor plan to the communities” they’re located in, which will be done by next fall; enrollment should increase at satellites.
  - Question - Mazzochi and Napolitano: Enough parking on the west side, if going to have more buildings over there?
  - Student Trustee Paul praised emphasis on collaboration.
  - Trustee Bennett pushed for immediate vote pushing for option B.
  - Napolitano said okay. Markwell motioned, Mazzochi seconded.
  - **Option B passed.**
- f. Budget Committee Report: Trustee Markwell said they met February 4 regarding the 2020 projections and would meet again on February 26. *Nothing of substance presented verbally.*

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Off Agenda: Mazzochi jumped in to say that as Representative of House District 47, she has offered IL House Resolution 112 to support COD’s Cleave Carney Art Museum, regarding the upcoming Frida Kahlo exhibition. Took pics with Napolitano.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Personnel Items
- b. Financial Statements
- c. Gifts & Grants Report
- d. Construction Change Orders
- e. Monthly Construction Update
- f. In-Kind Donations Report

No questions on information items.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Emergency Water Remediation
- b. Increase to Audit Firm Contract
- c. IT Plan Projectors (Rescind/Re-award)
- d. Paramedic Program Hospital Training
- e. Vehicles for Auto Program
- f. Administrative Building Remodel RFP
- g. Media Storage for MPTV – Bid Rejection
- h. Vehicles for Facilities/Grounds Bid
- i. Banking Trust Services
- j. Innovation DuPage 1st Floor Furniture Bid
- k. Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Management System – Bid Rejection
- l. Emergency Sprinkler Main Repair
- m. Repeal of Online Course Tuition Increase
- n. Presidential Search: (a) Establishment of Presidential Search Committee (b) President Position Description
- o. Compensation for Classified and Managerial Staff and Administrators
- p. Administrator Renewals
- q. Reimbursement of Expenses for Trustee Markwell
- r. Minutes of the January 17, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

s. Closed Session Minutes – CONFIDENTIAL – for Board only: (a) January 17, 2019

t. Personnel Action Items

u. Financial Reports

**Requests to pull items:** Bennet wanted items 8n(b) President Position Description, and 8p Administrator Renewals, pulled out. Napolitano just pulled all of 8n and 8p.

Markwell pulled 8q, so he didn't have to abstain from all the agenda.

Bennet moved to vote on 8a-8m, 8o, 8r-8u. Mazzochi seconded.

**Discussion items:**

Fenne on items 8a, Emergency Water Remediation, and 8l, Emergency Sprinkler Main Repair. Asked if there are any other buildings with sprinkler systems in concrete foundation?

Perkins associate explained that the line that was damaged was an existing water main from an old "fire loop" which had inadvertently been left in the floor during an old addition. Not likely that are more of them.

Consent Agenda Items 8a-8m, 8o, 8r-8u passed.

**Pulled-out items:**

8n(b) Presidential Search Committee Position Description:

Markwell moved to pass the item, Fenne seconded.

**Discussion**

Bennett wants added to it: liaison responsibilities between COD and state/fed regulatory agencies; duties/responsibility to the college community.

Mazzochi suggested that this would be achieved most simply by restoring some listed priorities of the position that were previously deleted such as: the new President's duties to the Board and to public/private stakeholders; maintaining a college presence within various levels of government (e.g., giving and attending breakfasts for local elected officials, attendance at general assembly/legislative events with representatives).

They hashed out language for a long time and finally passed it.

Bennett moved to table item 8p, administrator renewals, pending revision by the administration. Markwell seconded. Tabling passed.

Mazzochi moved to approve item 8q, reimbursement of Markwell's expenses. Fenne seconded. Passed with Markwell abstaining.

**9. FOR APPROVAL:** Facility Master Plan: This was done above under the Chairman's report.

**10. FOR APPROVAL:** Resolutions

a. Resolution Regarding Trustee Resignation and Appointment of Replacement Trustee:

Napolitano read the resolution accepting Mazzochi's resignation and appointed Heidi Holan to fill the remainder of Mazzochi's unexpired term, effective upon the passage of this resolution in open session.

Bennett moved. Fenne seconded.

Markwell said no, Mazzochi abstained. Passed.

Mazzochi asked for indulgence to make a speech before leaving the table. Applause, speeches, and thanks.

b. Resolution of Appreciation:

Bernstein read the resolution.

Napolitano approved. Fenne seconded. Mazzochi abstained. Passed.

Further speeches and thanks. Board presented Mazzochi with a book, etc. Applause, photos.

**11. TRUSTEE DISCUSSION**

Trustee Heidi Holan came to the table. Her swearing in was scheduled for March. Maryanne Millush (Board liaison) was retiring and was recognized.

**Adjournment:** Board prepared to go back into previously recessed closed session. Motion to adjourn open session immediately following closed session made by Fenne. Seconded by Markwell. Motion passed. Open session ended and closed session restarted at 9:30 PM.

**Calendar Dates**

Presidential Search Meeting 2/28

Thursday, March 21, 2019: Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. – SSC-2200

**Comments/Concerns:**

**General Features**

	Yes	No	Comments
Did the meeting start on time?	X	X	Closed sessions generally go until 7. This one went until 8.
Were members attentive and prepared?	X	X	Not sure why there was no real budget report. Time?
Were members attentive to the publics' comments?	?		*
Was the facility adequate?	X		
Could the audience see and hear?	X		
Were visual aids easily visible to the audience	X		
Were the meeting facilities handicapped accessible	X		

**Illinois Open Meetings Act requirements**

	Yes	No	Comments
Was the agenda posted 48 hours before the meeting? If yes, note where	X		
Did the agenda items clearly describe what was to be discussed?	X		

Were background materials made available to the public?	X		
Was there adequate discussion of the issues?	X	X	<i>The vote on option B of the FMP may have been rushed. *Public concerns regarding the rushed and opaque process to replace Mazzochi were not discussed.</i>
Was there a closed session before, during or after the meeting?	X		Before and after
If there was a closed meeting, was any action taken after the closed session? If so, what action?	X		All votes taken during regular open meeting, after principle closed session. Second closed session <i>was to be</i> followed by immediate adjournment. <i>Minutes not available yet.</i>

**Date Submitted: 4/12/19**

**By: Diana Hoke**