



## **IVCCD Board of Directors Meeting**

Iowa Valley Community College District  
Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 4:00 PM  
District Services Building Board Room,  
3702 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158

### **Attendance:**

Members Present: Chris Brodin, Amber Danielson, Joanna Hofer, Larry Johnson (remote), Clark Lawler (remote), Jackie Pippin

**Absent:** Paul Pohlson

Also in attendance were President Dr. Anne Howsare Boyens, Recording Secretary Layne Piere Board Treasurer Amanda Bloomquist and other college personnel.

### **Call to Order:**

Board President Hofer called the regular session of the Iowa Valley Community College District Board of Directors to order at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at the IVCCD Administration Building Board Room, 3702 S. Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158.

### **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:**

Board President Hofer noted Item 7.5, Closed Session for Collective Bargaining Strategy would be moved to the end of the meeting, noting no further action would be taken prior to adjournment.

### **Approval of the Agenda:**

Director Pippin moved approval of the agenda. Motion seconded by Director Brodin. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Correspondence and/or Visitors:**

None.

### **Introduction of and Comments from Representatives to the Board:**

BCS Representative Ricarda Drummer, ECC Faculty Representative Joerg Rochlitzer, MCC Faculty Representative Danielle Kness, and IVG Faculty Representative Ashtyn Beek shared about various activities.

### **Recognitions:**

Dr. Barb Klein reported that on November 11, sixteen agriculture/pre-vet students and four chaperones boarded their first Delta flight in Minneapolis and landed a couple of flights later in Berlin, Germany to take part of the Fall 2025 Study Abroad program. The 12-day trip was filled with opportunities to learn about various aspects of agriculture, politics, and culture in Germany and Czechia. The group attended Agritechnica in Hanover, which is the world's largest trade fair for ag machinery and technology. Then, they explored key historical sites in Berlin, such as the

Brandenburg Gate, Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie, and Alexanderplatz. In Dresden, the group reconnected with our college partners at the University of Cooperative Education who were wonderful hosts and tour guides through not only the beautiful downtown Dresden, but also a modern dairy facility, a flour mill, and state-of-the-art equine breeding and riding venue in Moritzburg. At the Saxon Parliament, the group met with parliament members, Sandra Gockel and Thomas Schmidt, as well as the State Minister for the Environment and Agriculture, Georg-Ludwig von Breitenbuch. The trip concluded with a visit to Prague, where students deepened their understanding of the region's history, architecture, and cultural heritage. After mastering public transportation, navigating language barriers, paying in foreign currencies, and enjoying wonderful cuisine, the group headed home just in time for Thanksgiving with their families. Thanks to Honoria Balogh, Kevin Butt, Wanda Koehrsen, and Joerg Rochlitzer for their leadership and patience in providing this incredible experience for our students.

**Introduction of New Employees:**

None.

**Strategic Presentation**

Katie Lanius, Breanne Bummel, Christine Eige, and Ricarda Drummer presented an overview of IVCCD's Adult Education & Literacy (AEL) program, highlighting its service locations across Marshall, Poweshiek, Tama, and Hardin counties, the range of programs offered—including HSED, ESL, STAR reading, health-care pathways, and integrated training options—and multi-year student participation data showing steady growth in enrollment and study hours along with annual HSED completions. They also outlines the wide variety of testing services available, from nurse aide assessments to HiSET and industry certifications, and emphasizes strong community partnerships with local schools, libraries, tribal education programs, workforce agencies, and community organizations. The presentation concludes with examples of student success stories that showcase the impact of AEL pathways on educational and career advancement and a closing message of appreciation for the opportunity to share program achievements.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**President's Comments Regarding the Consent Agenda:**

Dr. Anne Howsare Boyens noted board policies and the Leadership in Action week in March.

**Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Motion:**

Director Brodin moved approval of the Consent Agenda Items: Item 5.1. - Approval of Minutes; Item 5.2 Personnel Report; Item 5.3. - Approval of Bills as Audited by the Finance Committee; and 5.4 - Review and Approval of Board Policies. Motion seconded by Director Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **Action Items:**

#### **Approval of FY25 Audit Report**

Nick Stanley of TrustPoint presented the FY25 Audit Report with a clean opinion.

#### **Motion:**

Director Danielson moved approval of the FY25 Audit Report. Motion seconded by Director Pippin. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of MCC Trades Building Bid Opening Date**

Dr. Matt Schmit request the Board set a bid opening date for the MCC Trades Building project for 11 a.m. February 2, 2026, at Business & Community Solutions, Room 608. The Board previously approved the Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated cost for the project in November 2025.

#### **Motion:**

Director Brodin moved approval of the MCC Trades Building Bid Opening Date for 11 a.m. February 2, 2026. for Motion seconded by Director Danielson. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of MCC Student Housing Amendment**

Dr. Schmit requested approval of a contract amendment with Shive-Hattery for the Marshalltown Community College student housing developments. Phase 1 originally started as a larger 50-60 bed, two story building but has changed to a more modest Phase 1 comprising one/two smaller single-story buildings. The contract amendment outlines the scope for the revised design and approval to move forward.

#### **Motion:**

Director Danielson moved approval of the MCC Student Housing Amendment amendment with Shive-Hattery for the MCC student housing developments. Motion seconded by Director Pippin. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of Board of Directors Meeting Calendar for FY27**

Dr. Anne Howsare Boyens requesting approval of the Board of Directors Annual Calendar for fiscal year 2027.

#### **Motion:**

Director Lawler moved approval of the Board of Directors Meeting Calendar for FY27. Motion seconded by Director Pippin. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Information Items:**

#### **Monthly Financial Statements:**

Amanda Bloomquist reported on the September 2025 narrative summary, statement of revenue over expenses, and investment report are attached.

**Board President's Report:**

President Hofer noted to the Day on the Hill, using Quorum, and Conflict of Interest forms for the Board of Directors.

**Board Directors Report:**

No report.

**President's Report:**

Dr. Howsare Boyens shared that students return on January 20.

**Board Secretary's Report:**

No report.

**Closed Session for Collective Bargaining Strategy:**

Director Johnson moved at 5:18 p.m. to enter into Closed Session under the provisions of Chapter 20.17 of the Code of Iowa for a Collective Bargaining Strategy session. Motion seconded by Director Brodin. On roll call vote: Ayes - Directors Johnson, Lawler, Danielson, Pippin, Brodin, Pohlson, and Hofer. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered Open Session at 5:37 p.m.

**Adjournment**

The Board meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.



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Joanna Hofer, Board President



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Layne Pieri, Recording Secretary



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