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Board notes

Following is a summary of topics addressed at KCC's board of trustees meeting, Monday, Sept. 14, 2009.

Budget and supplemental tax provision

The board approved the budget for FY10.

Each year the board adopts a resolution expressing its intent to levy the maximum allowable operating rate. This year the rate is 25.13 cents per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation.

Enhanced safety system

The board approved plans for enhancements to the campus safety system. The enhancements include additional emergency notification speakers and video surveillance on main campus and emergency call stations in parking areas. It also includes lighting the path between the main campus and west campus and enhancing network connectivity to west campus to provide emergency notification capability and video surveillance. The project will be funded through a protection, health and safety levy.

ATEC executive summary

The board received an Advanced Technology Education Center executive summary. The summary provides a general overview of the project and its progress. The document is available from Kari Sargeant in the office of marketing and public information.

Sustainability activities

A prescription drug recycling program has been introduced by Sustainability Center staff and community partners. Secure drop boxes are located at the Kankakee Public Safety Building, Kankakee County Sheriff's administration building and at Bradley, Bourbonnais and Aroma Park municipal complexes. Also, surplus computer equipment was donated to World Computer Exchange, an organization that distributes computer equipment for use in schools and charitable organizations.

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Grants, bids, reimbursements and chargebacks

Grant Awards -- The board approved a recommendation to accept the following awards:

Illinois Sustainable Education Program, \$110,000 from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The funds will be used to expand the Illinois Community College Sustainability Network to include sustainability centers at two additional colleges.

The board approved recommendations for chargebacks and tuition reimbursements, and approved the award of bids for a greenhouse and printing class schedules.

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Premium parking: 52 feet/\$52 away

Submitted by David Cagle, co-chair of KCC's United Way campaign



Your new premium parking space could be just 52 feet from the Prairie Lot door.

Dr. Avendano has graciously offered to vacate his parking space for a year, and 12 lucky United Way contributors will be the beneficiaries. With 21 steps or less, you could be in your car. Imagine taking that short trip in January or February when the wind chill is below zero!

Here are the specifics: Wednesday, Sept. 23 is KCC's United Way kick-off. Everyone who pledges \$52 or more (\$2 per pay period, or \$1 per foot) before 2 p.m. Sept. 23 will have his/her name entered into a drawing to use the president's space for a month.

In addition to presidential parking, other prizes include KCC items and restaurant gift certificates.

The kick-off will be in the Cavalier Room from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Please stop in to show your support!

Please remember that United Way of Kankakee County supports 44 local programs and 24 partnering agencies as well as serving more than 65,000 people per year in Kankakee County and parts of Iroquois county.

KCC hosts "Give a Little Bit" 5K for United Way

You can go on a run, jog or walk along the Kankakee River to Give a Little Bit.

The KCC "Give a Little Bit" 5K for United Way will be Wednesday, Oct. 21 and will start and finish on KCC's campus.

Check-in is at 4 p.m. at the pavilion on the east side of main campus. The run/jog/walk begins at 4:30 p.m.

The minimum donation to participate is \$10. All participants will receive an event T-shirt.



Donations go to United Way of Kankakee County.
The event registration [form is attached](#).

No accounts payable checks 10/8



There will not be an accounts payable check run on Oct. 8.

Items which need to be paid in the Oct. 1 check run need to be turned in to Angela Kunce or Kristi Hendershott by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28.

Requests received after Sept. 28 will be paid in the Oct. 15 check run.

The Accounting Office asks everyone to plan accordingly to make sure checks are available when needed.

ISAC reps now have a KCC home base

Two recent college graduates will use KCC as their base over the next year or more as they work for the Illinois Student Assistant Commission's new ISACorps program.

The ISACorps representatives are Samantha Johnson, samanthajohnson@isac.org, and Quentin Frazier, qfrazier@isac.org.

"They will be here Monday through Friday, but will be out in the field a good portion of most of their days," said John Perry, director of financial aid. "They will use KCC as a home base but are able to provide service as well. Please join me in welcoming them to campus."

They have already started and are using Room L211, in the hallway behind the Office of Financial Aid, as their office.

See [ISACorps Overview](#) for details.

Bookstore closing early



The bookstore will close at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23 for computer upgrades.

The bookstore staff apologizes for any inconvenience.

Employment information

Employees of the Young Parents Program and Career Pathways program have returned to their jobs following a lack of state funding which occurred in July.

Most grant funding for the programs has been reinstated. Two positions with the Young Parents Program were eliminated due to

grant funding.

One of those employees was hired into another position with the college.

College fairs are today

KCC will host College Fairs from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. today, Monday, Sept. 21 in the Atrium Area and College Center.

More than 50 public and private colleges and universities will be represented at the morning College Fair, sponsored by KCC's Transfer Center.

The evening College Fair is sponsored by area high school counselors. Current high school students, college students and the public are invited.

For more information about the Transfer College Fair, visit the fair or contact Susan LaMore at ext. 8208 or e-mail slamore@kcc.edu.

Monster.com presents ... College Advantage

College Advantage, a free 60-minute, highly interactive presentation for first-year college students will be Wednesday, Sept. 23, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Iroquois Room.

The program is delivered by a professional speaker and students will be involved in on-stage activities. Participants will also be provided with a guidebook to fill in during the presentation that they can keep for future reference.

The presentation provides information on topics including goal setting, academic performance, time management, choosing activities and interview strategies.

The event is free, and no reservations are required. It is sponsored by the office of Career Services in cooperation with Monster.com

Blood drive will be 9/24

Editor's note: The following includes the correct day of the week for the blood drive.

The American Red Cross will take blood donations from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 24 in the Iroquois Room.

The Red Cross encourages eligible participants to make a donation. In most cases, the entire donation process takes about one hour. Participants must have at least 56 days since their last whole blood or 112 days since their last double red cell donation.

The blood drive is sponsored by KCC's Student Advisory Council. For more information or to set up an appointment, phone ext. 8100.



Walk-in appointments also are available.

ANGEL training and support options

Submitted by Donna Smith, director of instructional technology, faculty development and the Learning Resource Center

ANGEL training and support for faculty is available in the Teaching & Learning Center (Room L341).

Training descriptions and the most current schedules are at <http://www.kcc.edu/FacultyStaff/ktlc/Pages/TLCWorkshops.aspx>.

To attend, please reserve at least two days prior by e-mailing angelhelp@kcc.edu.

ANGEL II (two hours): Sept. 24, noon - 2 p.m.

ANGEL III (three hours): Sept. 28 and 30, 1-2:15 p.m. both dates

General Weekly Schedule for Open Lab (when there isn't a training course in session):

Monday, 1-2 p.m. & 3:15-4:15 p.m.;

Tuesday, noon - 2 p.m.;

Wednesday, 1-2 p.m. & 8-9 p.m.; and

Thursday, noon - 2 p.m.

Paving underway on riverfront trail

Paving is underway on the first portion of the new riverfront trail.

"The weather has been favorable as of late, and the project is slightly ahead of schedule," said Vicki Gardner, vice president for business affairs and human resources.

The paving portion of the project is anticipated to be complete by the end of September or early October, with an opening ceremony sometime later in October.

The next step will be the installation of signage for the trail. Final completion of the kiosks, benches, and rest areas are scheduled to take place in the spring of 2010.

Please note that access or use of the trail during construction is limited, and may be blocked or interrupted at any time to ensure public safety.

Fire drills scheduled

Fire drills have been scheduled for 9:05 a.m. and 5:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Faculty will need to plan for the alarm in order that there are not tests scheduled for that time. All staff should review fire evacuation procedures before the drill.

In order that there is some degree of realism to the drill, faculty should not forewarn students. During the drill, everyone



should cooperate to assist students in leaving the building and staying a reasonable distance from the buildings.

Thanks for making the Jazz Social a success

Submitted by **Cathy Robinson**, dean of Student Services



Thanks to everyone who helped make the Jazz Social on Sept. 15 a great success!

We received a lot of positive feedback from those who stopped by to enjoy the fine music from Willie Dixon, host of WKCC's "All That Jazz" with the backdrop of the bistro theme.

We stayed well after evening classes began to give everyone a taste of jazz. We look forward to next year's event!

Thanks very much to the event volunteers: Janet Fager, Joellen Vazquez, Dan Harris, Jamal Hawkins, Akilah Stewart and Cierra Davis. Special thanks to media, marketing, Physical Plant Department and Food Service for their outstanding service and support of this event, and to Sarah McIntosh-Zirkle for coordinating this effort!



Safety reminder: use 9-911 for emergency calls

The Campus Safety and Security Committee would like to remind all employees that dialing 9-911 from a campus phone is the direct way to get to 911 operators.



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