

Prairie State College Board of Trustees
June 26, July 31, and August 28, 2018
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June 26, 2018

- **Frank Williams introduced members of the women's softball team** and announced the team had broken every school record. Members in attendance were Salem Garza, Sydney Harrison, Sidney Hero, and Sarah Kessler. For the first time two of the softball players were named All Americans – Sidney Hero and Sarah Kessler.
- Mr. Craig Schmidt, vice president of community and economic development announced the College received the **Village of Matteson Good Neighbor Award**. The award is acknowledgment of contributions adding to the quality of life in the community. The College was recognized for promoting community pride, being sensitive to neighbor's values and cultural backgrounds and affecting the lives of people of diverse racial, ethnic, religious and varying age groups.
- **Resignation** was accepted of Dr. Gregory Thomas, Vice President of Student and Institutional Affairs.
- Unanimous approval **for appointments** of Assistant Professors of Adult Education, Biology, and Economics.
- Preparations are being made for the **60th Anniversary Celebration** planned for October 20.

July 31, 2018

- **Dr. Scott Kalicki** was introduced as interim Vice President of Student Affairs and Institutional Effectiveness.
- **Faculty salaries**, Overloads, and Compensation were approved
- **Appointments** of Temporary Assistant Professor of Surgical Technology.
- **The contract with Cloudbakers**, LLC which will enable computer resources to be better utilized was approved.
- **Purchase recommendations for a mobile lab and iPads** for TRiO Upward Bound Program which enable pre-college experience and higher education success was approved.
- **Purchase recommendation for two mobile labs for TRiO Educational Talent Search** that will allow students to access high quality tutoring in preparation for college entrance exams was approved
- **Modifications to Student Success Center** including two new office spaces providing individualized and small group tutoring as well as computer lab access was approved.

August 28, 2018

- **New faculty** were introduced.
- **The appointment of Christopher Kuchta** as Director of Athletics effective August 1, 2018 was approved.
- **Tenure recommendations** were made for Colleen M. Ivancic, Assist. Prof. of Business, Michelle M. Keans, Asst. Prof. of Nursing, and Edward O'Donnell Assist. Prof. of Nursing.
- **The purchase of 26 Apple iMac systems** was approved. The update will improve the reliability of the iMac systems for students.
- The **purchase of Programmable Logic Controllers for the Industrial Electricity Labs** was approved. The College has seen significant growth in the Industrial Electrical program. This purchase will expand the number of students the equipment can support from 14 to 20 and allows the College to be competitive with other area schools.
- The purchase of **80 personal PC computer systems** was approved which gives Lab updates greatly needed for IT classrooms.
- A contract to provide **data security services from Sentinel Technologies** was approved. The College is responsible to secure the college data by both federal and state legislation.