

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1500 W. RAAB ROAD, NORMAL, IL
COMMUNITY COMMONS BUILDING, ROOM 2100
July 21, 2025
4:00 PM**

Members: Josh Crockett, Janet Hood, Tom Whitt, Laura Hughs, Noah Lamb

Others: Becky Ropp-Chair, Board of Trustees; Aemun Lopeyok-Student Trustee; Keith Cornille-President; Kaitlyn Cope-Program Assistant, Executive Office; Trevor Hoberty-Director, Financial Planning and Analysis; Andy Litwiller-Executive Director, Facilities; Scott Swanson-Senior Project Manager, Facilities; JD Davis-Director, Purchasing and Auxiliary Services; Mary Campbell-Trustee

The Finance Committee meeting was called to order at 4:01 PM by Chair Janet Hood.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mr. Whitt moved to approve the minutes from June 17th, 2025; Mr. Lamb seconded, and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Lamb discussed the Professional Services Review Timeline further with the Finance Committee. This review timeline allows us to be aware of what services are being provided by industry professionals and when they are reviewed or put out to bid. Discussion ensued. Chair Hood asked if leases that come to the Board for approval could be included in the future.

Mr. Whitt moved to approve the consent agenda as presented; Mr. Crockett seconded. The motion was approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1. Solar Array Field Project (Oral)

Mr. Lamb presented. Mr. Lamb will give a full presentation at the special Board of Trustees meeting tonight. He thanked Mr. Litwiller, Mr. Swanson, Ms. Davis, and Mr. Bishop for their hard work and contributions to this project. There are a variety of credits and incentives from multiple sources, including the State and Federal governments and Ameren. This is a \$3.4 million project

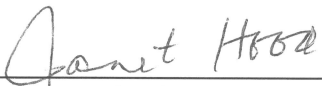
(including 10% contingency for both construction and non-construction) and would cost Heartland nothing out of deferred maintenance as this can come out of the Agriculture Complex energy credit. Ms. Hughs also recently submitted for further credit from the Agriculture Complex solar panels. An ITB (Invitation to Bid) process was followed for this. The main three bids were from Halo Solar, LLC; SunPeak, LLC; and Verde Solutions. Halo Solar was the winning bid and this bid would allow the College to make money on this project due to the energy credits. Discussion ensued, focusing on locality, timeline, maintenance, energy sustainability, and cost.

Mr. Whitt moved to recommend the Solar Array Field project as presented; Mr. Crockett seconded, and the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Whitt moved to adjourn the meeting of this august body; Mr. Lamb seconded, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 PM.



Janet Hood, Chair, Finance Committee



Tom Whitt, Member, Finance Committee