

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
THREE RIVERS COLLEGE  
April 15, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees began at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

Those present included Trustees: Dr. Amber Richardson, Chair, Gary Featherston, Vice-Chair, Brian Bess, Secretary; Eric Schalk, Treasurer; Darren Garrison, Member; and Dr. Tim Hager, member; Chris Williams, outgoing Trustee; Dr. Wesley Payne, College President; Mark Richardson, College Attorney; Janine Heath and Michelle Wooldridge, recording secretaries.

Trustee Hager delivered the invocation.

Dr. Payne read the results of the April 7, 2026, election.

Trustee Hager administered the oath of office to Eric Schalk and Brian Bess.

Trustee Garrison nominated Dr. Wesley Payne as temporary Chairman and Janine Heath as temporary Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Trustee Schalk makes a motion to cease nominations. With a second by Trustee Featherston the motion unanimously passed.

Temporary Chairman Payne calls for nominations for the 2026-2027 Board of Trustees Slate of Officers.

Trustee Garrison nominates the following:

Chairman:	Richardson (1-A)
Vice Chairman:	Featherston (3)
Secretary:	Bess (1-B)
Treasurer:	Schalk (1-C)
Member:	Garrison (4)
Member:	Hager (2)

Trustee Schalk made the motion to reorganize the board based on the order presented with a second by Trustee Featherston, the motion carried unanimously.

The board members rotated seats.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ATTENDANCE**

**INVOCATION**

**CERTIFICATION OF  
ELECTION RESULTS**

**OATH OF OFFICE**

**TEMPORARY  
APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR  
AND SECRETARY**

**REORGANIZATION OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Trustee Garrison made the motion to approve the April meeting agenda. On a second from Trustee Hager the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Trustee Hager made a motion to accept the March Meeting Minutes as presented. On a second by Trustee Garrison, the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE MARCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Charlotte Eubank, Chief Financial Officer for the college, reviewed the college financial report as of the end of March 2026 as presented in the board book.

**PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**

Trustee Garrison made the motion to accept the financial report as presented. With a second by Trustee Hager, the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

Dr. Payne presented the following with the board and public audience in attendance:

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The Lady Raiders made their 6<sup>th</sup> straight trip to nationals.

**LADY RAIDERS TO NATIONALS**

The Career and Transfer Center Open House was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup>. Students learned about completing their bachelor's or master's degree online or close to home.

**CAREER AND TRANSFER CENTER OPEN HOUSE**

The fourth annual Chicks Only Eggstravaganza was held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. All proceeds benefit TRC student scholarships and the Excellence Fund.

**CHICKS ONLY EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

The Social Services Career Day was held on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Students explored degree options and careers in the "helping fields."

**SOCIAL SERVICES CAREER DAY**

The Bess Open House was held on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Memberships start at \$20 per month. Currently there are 134 people who signed up for memberships. The parks and Recreation Department are handling the memberships. Hours of operation are 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Saturday and 12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Sunday.

**BESS OPEN HOUSE**

The Job Fair and Career Expo was held on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the Libla Family Sports Complex. There were more than 200 attendees. This event is free to the public and is designed to help job seekers find the perfect opportunity to advance their careers.

**JOB FAIR AND CAREER EXPO 2026**

The Spring Showcase was held April 14<sup>th</sup> in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. This performance showcases our vocal and instrumental students.

**SPRING SHOWCASE**

Chicago Rewired will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$15. It is sponsored by Dille Pollard Architecture.

**PATRONS OF THE ARTS CHICAGO REWIRED**

The Greenhouse Ribbon Cutting will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the TRC Greenhouse, next to Crisp Technology Center.

**GREENHOUSE RIBBON CUTTING**

The Retirement Reception will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00 in the lobby of Tinnin. We have three retirees this year: Melissa Woolard, 31 years; Missy Marshall, 14 years and Dr. Michael Malone, 6 years.

**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**

The College Transfer Fair will be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Robert W. Plaster Free Enterprise Center 1<sup>st</sup> floor hallway.

**COLLEGE TRANSFER FAIR**

The Poetry Slam will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Robert W. Plaster Free Enterprise Center. This community event is held to commemorate National Poetry Month and Shakespear's death.

**POETRY SLAM**

The Spring Concert will be held April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. The TRC Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, and Collegiate Choir will perform a variety of music. This is the TRC music department's final performance of the year.

**SPRING CONCERT**

The Student Excellence Awards Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center.

**STUDENT EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Tomas Kubinek will be performing on May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$15. Tomas is part vaudevillian, part daredevil, and entirely unforgettable in this joy-filled performance.

**PATRONS OF THE ARTS TOMAS KUBINEK**

Commencement is on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> in the Libla Family Sports Complex. The event is free but tickets are required for entrance.

The TRC Community Choir is holding a performance on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Tinnin Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$10.

At 12:26 p.m. after the conclusion of the President's Report, Trustee Featherston made a motion to go into Executive Session. Trustee Garrison seconded the motion. The board was polled as follows: Trustee Richardson, (yes); Trustee Featherston, (yes); Trustee Bess, (yes); Trustee Schalk, (yes); Trustee Garrison, (yes); and Trustee Hager, (yes).

The Board moved back into open session at 1:06 p.m., with Dr. Wesley Payne, requesting the approval of Board Meeting Dates. On a motion by Trustee Featherston and a second by Trustee Hager, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Richardson, (yes); Trustee Featherston, (yes); Trustee Bess, (yes); Trustee Schalk, (yes); Trustee Garrison, (yes); and Trustee Hager, (yes).

The Board was asked to approve the FY 2027 Holiday Schedule. On a motion by Trustee Garrison and second by Trustee Hager, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Richardson, (yes); Trustee Featherston, (yes); Trustee Bess, (yes); Trustee Schalk, (yes); Trustee Garrison, (yes); and Trustee Hager, (yes).

The Board was asked to approve the Employee Benefits for FY 2027. On a motion by Trustee Garrison and second by Trustee Featherston, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Richardson, (yes); Trustee Featherston, (yes); Trustee Bess, (yes); Trustee Schalk, (yes); Trustee Garrison, (yes); and Trustee Hager, (yes).

The board was asked to approve all personnel actions and associated documents. On a motion by Trustee Schalk, and a second by Trustee Bess, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Richardson, (yes); Trustee Featherston, (yes); Trustee Bess, (yes); Trustee Schalk, (yes); Trustee Garrison, (yes); and Trustee Hager, (yes).

## COMMENCEMENT

## TRC COMMUNITY CHOIR

## MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

## ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND VOTE

## FY 2027 BOARD MEETING DATES

## FY 2027 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

## FY 2027 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

## CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ALL PERSONNEL ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

With there being no further business, Trustee Bess made the motion to adjourn at 1:16 p.m. With a second by Trustee Richardson, the motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

  
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