CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chairman Mark Stephens called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order in the Boardroom at 6:43 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

Present: Mr. Glover Johnson, Ms. Donna Peluso, Mrs. Elizabeth Potter, Mr. Glenn Stam, Mr. Mark Stephens, Ms. Diane Viverito.

Absent: Ms. Alexis Gonzalez, Ms. Vanessa Moritz.

Mr. Stephens noted that Student Trustee Gonzalez is absent because of academic work, and Trustee Moritz contacted him to let him know of circumstances preventing her attendance.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 27, 2015. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

COMMENTS ON THIS AGENDA
Chairman Stephens commented that there is a Revised Page 14 in the HR Report.

Mr. Stephens reported that an action exhibit for copier machines went to the Board Finance Committee but is not included on the Board agenda because of the difficult process of evaluating the proposals and concern voiced from the current vendor. The Finance Committee will perform a full investigation of this issue, with all vendors invited to be present, and will make a recommendation to the full Board when they are finished. Mr. Stephens assured that this will not affect the operation of the college.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
None.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Employee Groups
Faculty Association Vice President of Salary & Welfare Lesa Hildebrand noted that she is filling in for TCSA President Stu Sikora, who fell on the ice and is unable to come to work for a week. Mr. Stephens asked that she convey the Board’s best to Mr. Sikora. Ms. Hildebrand reported on faculty accomplishments/initiatives including the annual Sonography Day on February 7, Math Lab Training with OPRF, Bill Nedrow publishing his second novel, HIA participating in the Oak Park Chamber of Commerce Bite Night, Engineering and Health Sports & Exercise Science hosting a STEM event on February 25, Ched Pagtakhan being named 2014 Culinary Educator of the Year by the ACR Windy City Professional Culinarians, and HIA faculty and students providing refreshments at the Golden Alumni event on February 25. She also reported that the faculty negotiated agreement expires this July, a faculty survey has been disseminated, and negotiations will start soon.

Mrs. Potter commented that she is not surprised that people are not falling on campus because our people do such a good job cleaning. Mr. Stephens agreed that Triton staff do a
good job and asked AVP of Facilities John Lambrecht to make sure his staff know how thankful the Board and college community are.

Mid-Management Association President John Cadero reported that Mid-Managers held their annual after-the-holiday party on January 31, and Managers are involved in providing input regarding campus renewal projects. Mr. Cadero noted that he will not be present at the March Board meeting because he was selected to attend the AFT Higher Ed Conference in Orlando.

Classified Association President Missy Cabrera reported that Classified are gearing up for a Mardi Gras themed In-Service on March 18, and that contract negotiations will start soon. Ms. Cabrera expressed her appreciation of the Board thanking the maintenance crew for their work in clearing the campus.

Adjunct Faculty Association President Bill Justiz reported that Adjunct Jill LoBianco-Bartalis is currently being spotlighted at the Art Gallery. He also reported that he and 15-20 students will be involved in a St. Baldrick’s event, raising funds for childhood cancer research; he hopes to get Triton’s Mascot, Troy, to the event.

STUDENT SENATE REPORT
TCSA President Alexis Rangel reported TCSA is working with ICCB to engage students for Advocacy Day in Springfield. The TCSA E-Board is also working with candidates to run for next year’s E-Board. Chairman Stephens encouraged the students who go to Springfield to advocate for affordability and funding of community colleges.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs/Student Affairs
Ms. Viverito reported that the committee met earlier this month and went over items pertaining to academic and student affairs and are in agreement with passage of those items by the Board of Trustees.

Finance/Maintenance & Operations
Mrs. Potter reported that the committee met February 4 and reviewed six new business items and one purchasing schedule, and has forwarded and recommends all for approval by the full Board of Trustees.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
Mr. Lambrecht provided the following Campus Renewal update. The East Campus Exterior Athletic Complex will be going out for bid in a couple weeks, with construction April–November. The Demo Kitchen is out for bid and Bakery Expansion will be out for bid soon; construction on both will start when school is out in May. There will be no down time for classes. The Early Childhood Education design is being finalized, with construction starting Fall 2015 and completed Spring 2016. Since this is a build out in a different building, it will
be a move with no down time. Designs are being finalized for Architecture to move to T Building and ENT to move within T building. These relocations will occur in summer 2015 with no interruption of program.

It was highlighted that there are teams for every project to ensure that input is gathered, and there is a communication plan for all of the projects.

Mr. Lambrecht continued that other projects are in the meeting stages, including A Building Second Floor, Cernan Center, Cox Auditorium, Science Labs, B Building, Fitness Center, and Veterans temporary space. A construction firm qualification meeting will be held next week, and temporary construction manager positions are being posted to last through the completion of the Bond Projects.

Chairman Stephens stressed the importance of being very efficient and watching dollars carefully. He reminded that if anyone gets a phone call recommending a construction company or person, they should be referred to the Triton website.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
President Mary-Rita Moore announced that eight full-time faculty are coming forward for tenure tonight.

Ms. Moore reported that she and Trustees Donna Peluso and Diane Viverito, along with Executive Director of College & Community Relations Randy Barnette, went to Washington DC last week for the Community College National Legislative Summit. It was a productive trip, including meetings with Senators and Congressmen Davis and Quigley, advocating for students. Specific requests brought to legislators included asking for support of our federal Title V grant, inviting legislators to campus, and supporting the Pell grant, bringing back ability to benefit and year-round Pell. Ms. Moore thanked the Trustees for their advocacy.

President Moore recognized faculty Mariana Desmond and Debra Krukowski for their work with Sonography Day, which she described as a great example of the employers in our district, students, faculty, and Triton College Foundation coming together to meet a need.

Ms. Moore reminded that tickets are available for the 50th Anniversary Gala on April 25, and she hopes everyone will join her at that event.

President Moore discussed enrollment, which is down 2.1 percent for the spring semester, with the headcount showing about the same number of students. She announced that summer registration started this week.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
Chairman Mark Stephens commented that with On Time Registration starting, it wasn’t too bad to be down 2.1 percent, and he offered a pat on the back to everyone who worked in enrollment.
Mr. Stephens reported on the following. He will have lunch next week with Vice Chairwoman Donna Peluso and a group from the League of Women Voters of Oak Park & River Forest to talk about the presidential search process. Campus Renewal reports will be given monthly at Board meetings. He has asked the school for ideas on an appropriate way to memorialize Judy Baar Topinka.

Chairman Stephens encouraged everyone to check out the Rolling History Museum that is part of Black History Month on Monday, February 23.

Trustee Viverito commented regarding the National Legislative Summit that it was exciting to be in Washington right now with the emphasis being placed on community colleges. She felt the trip was very worthwhile.

Lastly, Chairman Stephens noted that Adult Ed ESL took the biggest hit in enrollment, not surprising with the closing of Nuevos Horizontes. He stated that this is one area that Dr. Patricia Granados will work with in her consulting role.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION EXHIBITS

15495 Resolution Abating Taxes Levied for Debt Service on Series 2014 & 2015 General Obligation Bonds

Vice President of Business Services Sean Sullivan explained that following the $53 million bond issue, the county assessor had to put them on the tax bill by operation of law, as the bonds are guaranteed by the taxpayers. Since the Triton College Board of Trustees had stated that no property taxes would be levied in connection with the bonds, the Board is now legally abating the amount to the taxpayers.

Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stam, to approve the Resolution Abating Taxes Levied for Debt Service on Series 2014 & 2015 General Obligation Bonds.

Roll Call Vote:
Affirmative: Mr. Johnson, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Stam, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Viverito.
Absent: Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Moritz.

Motion carried 6-0.

With no objection from the Board, Mr. Stephens asked for the remaining Action Exhibits to be taken as a group, including:

15496 Budget Transfers
15497 Authorization to Participate in the U.S. D.O.D Law Enforcement Supply Organization
15498 American Digital – Network Switch Purchase
Ms. Peluso made a motion to approve the Action Exhibits, seconded by Mrs. Potter. Mr. Stephens commented that the last exhibit, an agreement with Dr. Patricia Granados, will ensure that her expertise and knowledge are put to use in several Triton initiatives that were in midstream upon her retirement. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

PURCHASING SCHEDULES
B37.10 Campus Entry Security Upgrades Project
Ms. Peluso made a motion to approve the Purchasing Schedule, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

BILLS AND INVOICES
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peluso, to pay the Bills and Invoices in the amount of $2,453,368.45.

Roll Call Vote:
Affirmative: Mr. Johnson, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Stam, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Viverito.
Absent: Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Moritz.

Motion carried 6-0.

CLOSED SESSION
Mrs. Potter made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss and consider the hiring, discipline, performance, and compensation of certain personnel, matters of collective bargaining, acquisition of real property, and matters of pending, probable, or imminent litigation, seconded by Ms. Peluso.

Roll Call Vote:
Affirmative: Mr. Johnson, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Stam, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Viverito.
Absent: Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Moritz.

Mr. Stephens stated that the new Annual Report just released is awesome, and thanked the Marketing Department for their efforts.

Motion carried 6-0. The Board went into Closed Session at 7:30 p.m.
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
Ms. Peluso made a motion to return to Open Session, seconded by Ms. Viverito.

Roll Call Vote:
 Affirmative: Mr. Johnson, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Stam, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Viverito.
 Absent: Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Moritz.

Motion carried 6-0. The Board returned to Open Session at 8:15 p.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT
Mr. Stephens reminded that there is a revised page in the Administration section of this HR report.

1.0 Faculty
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Ms. Viverito, to approve pages 1 through 6 of the Human Resources Report, items 1.1.01 through 1.4.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

2.0 Adjunct Faculty
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Ms. Viverito, to approve pages 7 through 13 of the Human Resources Report, items 2.1.01 through 2.7.02. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

3.0 Administration
Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peluso, to approve revised page 14 of the Human Resources Report, items 3.1.01 through 3.3.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

4.0 Classified, Police & Engineers
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stam, to approve pages 15 and 16 of the Human Resources Report, items 4.1.01 through 4.2.04. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

5.0 Mid-Management
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Potter, to approve page 17 of the Human Resources Report, item 5.1.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

6.0 Hourly Employees
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Ms. Viverito, to approve pages 18 through 20 of the Human Resources Report, items 6.1.01 through 6.4.10. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.
7.0 Other
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve page 21 of the Human Resources Report, item 7.1.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made by Ms. Peluso to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Viverito. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously. Chairman Stephens adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Submitted by:  Mark R. Stephens
Board Chairman

Diane Viverito
Board Secretary

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Susan Page, Recording Secretary