CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chairman Mark Stephens called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order in the Boardroom at 6:18 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

Present: Mrs. Irene Del Giudice, Ms. Donna Peluso, Mrs. Elizabeth Potter, Mr. Andrew Smith, Mr. Glenn Stam, Mr. Mark Stephens, Ms. Diane Viverito.

Absent: Mr. Thomas Gary.

Mr. Stephens reported that Mr. Gary is in San Diego doing his reserve duty.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peluso, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 19, 2013. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

COMMENTS ON THIS AGENDA
None.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
None.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Employee Groups
Faculty Association President Stu Sikora commented that there are some concerns about the Tax Abatement and how it will be enacted and also about sequestration, and suggested that the college proceed with caution. Mr. Sikora mentioned the importance of starting new programs to bring enrollment back up. He stated that he believes the assurance he received from college leadership that the institution is on good financial ground and called for everyone to not panic and to work together.

Chairman Stephens thanked Mr. Sikora for his thoughtful comments, stating appreciation for his candor and faith in the institution. He commented that the tax abatement suggested by Trustee Gary amounts to $2.4 million, and while this doesn’t amount to a lot per household, it shows good faith on the Board’s part to the taxpayers of the district. Mr. Stephens reported that the college’s reserve has grown from a couple of million dollars when he started on the Board two decades ago to $28 million, and the college will be returning $3.5-4 million to the funds on July 1. He credited the hard work of the employees for the current fiscal strength of the college.

Chairman Stephens also stated for the record that because of this good economic position, the college is going to invest in programs. He will speak more about this during his report, but mentioned the High School/College school-within-a-school program that is already being developed, as well as getting the message out to high school students who would be well-served by attending Triton College.

Mid-Management Association President John Cadero reported that Mid-Management In-Service will be held on Friday with a union meeting in the afternoon. He also reported that
he attended a higher ed conference last week and was interested to learn about MOOC classes and how that might affect community colleges.

Classified Association President Missy Cabrera thanked Classified members Antwon Standberry, Frieda Spiller-Iverson, and Debra Thomas-Carpenter who were instrumental in the Black History Month celebrations. She also reported that Classified In-Service will be held tomorrow with both educational and fun components and a 70s theme. There will be a survey to Classified with questions about enrollment, programs, and one thing that a person would change at the college; Ms. Cabrera hopes for some great ideas and will share the results. Lastly, Ms. Cabrera gave the Trustees and President a blanket that is the giveaway at In-Service.

Adjunct Faculty Association President Bill Justiz reported that Adjuncts are enjoying Spring Break.

STUDENT SENATE REPORT
None.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS
Academic Affairs/Student Affairs
None.

Finance/Maintenance & Operations
None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
None.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
President Patricia Granados reported that an update on the Strategic Plan will be presented next month. A Strategic Planning Retreat will be held April 3 and 4 with the opportunity to look at what programs our community needs and build a vision for the next five to seven years.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
Chairman Mark Stephens reported that he is going to ask the President and Vice Presidents to devote as much as $5 million to the development of new programs at Triton in conjunction with the opening of our new Health & Science building. Being very cautious with money for a long time has put the college in a good position moving forward and the new building will give us a lot of opportunities. Mr. Stephens stated that the college is not going to deviate from its mission, and will expand what we do; not contract. Chairman Stephens asked President Granados to empanel a group of faculty and administrators to look at new programs that are innovative and will keep the college on the cutting edge.

Lastly, Mr. Stephens reminded everyone to not take their civic duty lightly and to go out and vote on April 9.
NEW BUSINESS

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

**15086** Budget Transfers

**15087** Resolution of Partial Abatement of the 2012 Tax Levy – Mr. Stephens read the action exhibit as follows. *It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve a Resolution authorizing the Partial Abatement of the 2012 Tax Levy in the amount of $2,434,506 from the Education Fund (Fund 1). This proposed abatement represents approximately 10% of the total 2012 Levy of $24,345,059. Reserve funding, combined with a projected FY 13 funding rollover in excess of $2.4 million would enable this one time abatement. District wide, the impact on a property owner with a home valued at $300,000 is estimated to be approximately $24.*

**15088** Retention of Arnstein & Lehr LLP – Attorneys at Law – Mr. Stephens read the action exhibit as follows. *It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the retention of Arnstein & Lehr LLP attorneys at law specializing in Real Property practice. The firm will work for Triton College on issues related to acquisition, identification, easement and other matters related to Real Property. The educational government rate is $250-$585 per hour. The College has previously engaged specialty counsel for matters outside and beyond the normal scope and expertise of Kusper & Raucci’s practice. Real Property Law is outside the scope of Kusper & Raucci’s expertise and the College has used other counsel for Real Property matters in the past. Chairman Stephens noted that this firm will be used for issues relative to the water tower and other easement issues.*

**15089** Office Concepts Vendor Limit Increase

**15090** Pocket Nurse Vendor Limit Increase

**15091** Medical Shipment LLC Vendor Limit Increase – Mr. Stephens explained that the Vendor Limit Increase action exhibits are requests to increase the limit above the Board Policy amount, but are still below the state limit that would require bidding.

**15092** Revised FY 13 Agreement with Mas Plumbing

**15093** University of Illinois Motorcycle Safety Program Classroom Request and Facility Fee Waiver

**15094** Heartland Business Systems – Statement of Work for E-Mail Conversion

**15095** Speedlink – Palo Alto Firewall Maintenance Agreement

**15096** Agreement for Meeting Space for Leadership Academy Class of 2014

**15097** Memorandum of Understanding with Southern Illinois University

**15098** MDRC Agreement

**15099** ATI Entrance Testing Services Agreement Renewal

**15100** Educational Agreement with Northshore University Health System

**15101** Out-of-Radius Travel Requests

Ms. Peluso made a motion to approve the Action Exhibits, seconded by Ms. Viverito. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

PURCHASING SCHEDULES
**B35.17** Continuing Ed Guide – Summer 2013
Ms. Peluso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stam, to approve the Purchasing Schedule. 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 $1,306,590.59.

Roll Call Vote:
- **Affirmative:** Mrs. Del Giudice with the exception of those items noted below, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stam, Ms. Viverito, Mr. Stephens.
- **Negative:** Mrs. Del Giudice on the following items: Page 99 - $5,801.15; Page 101 - $3,000; Page 107 - $500; Page 109 - $238.50, Page 110 - $109.74.
- **Absent:** Mr. Gary.
- **Abstain:** Mrs. Del Giudice on Page 113.

Motion carried 6-0 with the Student Trustee voting yes, with the exception of the items listed under Negative above which carried 6-1 with Mrs. Del Giudice voting no and the Student Trustee voting yes, and the item listed under Abstain above which carried 6-0 with Mrs. Del Giudice abstaining and the Student Trustee voting yes.

**CLOSED SESSION**
Ms. Peluso 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. Viverito.

Roll Call Vote:
- **Affirmative:** Mrs. Del Giudice, Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stam, Ms. Viverito, Mr. Stephens.
- **Absent:** Mr. Gary.

Motion carried 6-0 with the Student Trustee voting yes. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:48 p.m.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**
Ms. Viverito made a motion to return to Open Session, seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:
- **Affirmative:** Ms. Peluso, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stam, Ms. Viverito.
- **Absent:** Mrs. Del Giudice, Mr. Gary, Mr. Stephens.

Motion carried 4-0 with the Student Trustee voting yes. The Board returned to Open Session at 7:25 p.m.
HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

1.0 Faculty
Ms. Viverito made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stam to approve page 1 of the Human Resources Report, items 1.1.01 through 1.3.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

2.0 Adjunct Faculty
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Ms. Viverito, to approve pages 2 and 3 of the Human Resources Report, items 2.1.01 through 2.9.03. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

3.0 Administration
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Potter, to approve page 4 of the Human Resources Report, items 3.1.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

4.0 Classified, Police & Engineers
Ms. Viverito made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Potter, to approve pages 5 and 6 of the Human Resources Report, items 4.1.01 through 4.6.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

5.0 Mid-Management
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Potter, to approve page 7 of the Human Resources Report, items 5.1.01 through 5.3.02. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

6.0 Hourly Employees
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Ms. Viverito, to approve pages 8 and 9 of the Human Resources Report, items 6.1.01 through 6.5.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

7.0 Other
Mr. Stam made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Potter, to approved page 10 of the Human Resources Report, item 7.1.01. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made by Mr. Stam to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Viverito. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously. Chairman Stephens adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Submitted by: Mark R. Stephens
Board Chairman

Diane Viverito
Board Secretary

Susan Page
Susan Page, Recording Secretary