Chair Jerry Cook: Good afternoon. I'd like to call the October 16th meeting of the Board of Trustees for Johnson County Community College to order. Would you please join me in the pledge of allegiance.

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Chair Jerry Cook: Roll call and recognition of visitors.

Ms. Terri Schlict: This evening's visitors include Dick Carter, Mason Kussman, Jack Schwab, and Denise Larson.

Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you. The next item is the Open Forum. This is the section of the board agenda, a time for members of the community to provide comments to the board. There will be one Open Forum period during each regularly scheduled board meeting. Comments are limited to five minutes unless a significant number of people plan to speak. In that instance, the Chair may limit a person's comments to less than five minutes. In order to be recognized, individuals must register at the door at each board meeting prior to the Open Forum agenda item. When addressing the board, registered speakers should not address matters related to individual personnel matters with the college.

We do have one registered speaker at tonight's meeting. You'll be called to the podium in order of registration. We would ask that when you come to the podium you state your name, address, city and state. Mason, you're up.

Mr. Kussman: So I come from Shawnee Mission North. Before Shawnee Mission North I went to a military school.

Chair Jerry Cook: Could you give your address, please?

Mr. Kussman: 7802 West 61st Street.

Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you.

Mr. Kussman: All right. And before -- when I was about 16 years old, I took a safety course, a motorcycle driver's safety course at Maple Woods Community College. I have three or four questions regarding that.

For one thing, I see that -- I'm not quite sure what capital items means, so...

Chair Jerry Cook: Okay. Go through your questions. Do you have three other questions?

Mr. Kussman: Yeah. What is the college -- what does the college spend the current operating budget on, like as far as like do they spend it on the bikes? Do they spend it on maintenance?

Chair Jerry Cook: Are you talking about specifically the motorcycle safety program?

Mr. Kussman: Yes.

Chair Jerry Cook: Okay.
>> Mr. Kussman: And then what is next year's projected income? There's -- on this list that I have here, there's the prior year activity and then this year's. I was wondering if you guys knew what the next year's was.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Have you had a chance to -- are those your comments?

>> Mr. Kussman: Yes.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Have you had a chance to visit with any of our staff about those issues?

>> Mr. Kussman: This is my first board meeting at Johnson County Community College.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: I think, Dr. Sopcich, what I'd recommend is that Mason -- we set up a time for Mason to visit with the appropriate people to talk about the motorcycle safety program, and you can address those issues of capital outlay and costs for the program. Would that be the appropriate thing to do?

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Sure. Mason, what we'll do if -- perhaps if you're going to be here for the whole meeting, then I think you might want to talk to Karen Martley over there who oversees that program, and she'll be able to get you on the right track with regard to answering some of those questions. If we can ask, what -- why -- what's your interest in the motorcycle program?

>> Mr. Kussman: Well, my interest is, me and my father, we've ridden for the longest time, I've ridden with him. We've done several charity rides. And I'm just -- I'm really interested in the idea of helping other people, not just with just standing there on the side of, you know, like Wal-Mart or something doing charities, actually getting out and doing something for people. And I believe that the first step to getting out and doing something for people especially on a motorcycle is the safety of it. You can't -- you can't raise money for people if you can't help yourself.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: That's great. If I can ask, it's a personal question, what kind of bike do you have?

>> Mr. Kussman: I have a Yamaha V Star 250.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Sure, of course.

>> Mr. Kussman: I'm getting a Harley next year, so.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: That's great. Okay. That sounds great. Super. Karen will be able to -- you guys will be able to get together and find some answers.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thanks, Mason. Appreciate it.

Having no other registered speakers, that closes the Open Forum session for the October board meeting.

Awards and recognitions. Dr. Sopcich.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Thank you, Dr. Cook. Yes, we do have several awards and recognition items this evening, and to start it off I'd like to call Malinda Bryan Smith to the podium. Malinda is our director of our Small Business Development Center. Malinda.

>> Ms. Smith: Thank you for this opportunity to recognize John Addessi of our office. It's my pleasure to introduce you to John Addessi. He's one of three staff consultants we have in the Small Business Development Center, and John was chosen as the 2014 Small Business Development Center State Star for the entire state of Kansas. John was nominated by his
colleagues and fellow consultant Alyssa Wildman of our office, and he was chosen by his colleagues from all eight regional SBDCs from around the state.

I just want to tell you a little bit about the award. The State Star Award recognizes individuals who demonstrate excellence in work performance, initiative and/or creativity that results in improved operating efficiency, exceptional assistance to clients, and an effort to enhance the image of the SBDC network through community relations and programs that bring distinction to the network.

And I want to tell you just a little bit about what John does in his position. He provides one-on-one consulting and leads group training with aspiring and existing small business entrepreneurs and business owners in our community in areas like financial analysis, business plan development, starting a business, and his specialty is search engine optimization and social media. He's always eager to represent the SBDC and the college at small business events. He's always willing to learn new skills and he stays current on the challenges and opportunities that the small business owner faces. And one way to sum up John is to read a paragraph that Alyssa put in her nomination letter.

John's attitude is what really sets him apart. He's vocal and expressive while staying positive and encouraging. John's clients -- welcomes his clients and his door is always open to his colleagues near and far. John seeks out the positive in clients and colleagues and he freely shares his own experiences and skills in the spirit of entrepreneurship and innovation. John's overall professionalism enhances the reputation of the KSBDC among our clients, our stakeholders, and ourselves.

And I would just like to add that John is a great consultant, he's a wonderful instructor, and most importantly, he's a good person. So with that, I'd like to thank John for all his great work and congratulate him on this award.

( Applause. )

Mr. Addessi: Thank you so much. And I just have to say, I mean I'm part of a terrific state agency and we're hosted by a terrific institution. So thank you very much.

Chair Jerry Cook: Congratulations. Appreciate it.

Dr. Joe Sopcich: Thank you, Malinda and John. The SBDC does -- it makes a terrific contribution to our community, and oftentimes we'll get letters from people praising the work that you do and how you helped save their business or turned them around. So very much appreciated. Thank you very much.

Our next set of awards, we'd like to have Carl Heinrich come to the podium. Carl is our Assistant Dean of Athletics and I guess Athletic Director.

Mr. Carl Heinrich: Thank you.

Dr. Joe Sopcich: Did you know you had two titles?

Mr. Carl Heinrich: I'm an AD.

Chair Jerry Cook: You left out the most important one, a recent grandfather.

Yes, grandfather.

Mr. Carl Heinrich: Very exciting. Thank you, Joe. Appreciate it. The first person I'd like to introduce to you tonight has achieved quite a goal. I'm not sure he had it as a goal, but he did achieve it, and that's Jim Schwab, our women's soccer coach. Jim reached a victory milestone the opening game of the year this year against Maple Woods Community College in
a 3-1 opener. It marked Jim's 400th career win as a coach for Johnson County. He was a player/coach for the Attack and the Comets over the years, but we've been fortunate to have Jim here for 25 years. He has coached both the men's program from '90 to '99 and took over in 2000 the women's program and has had a lot of success. Jim's had 11 Academic All-Americans. He's been named conference Coach of the Year six times. He's also been named the district Coach of the Year and finished nationally runner-up one of the years. The Lady Cavaliers this year are 13-4-0, this season currently sitting in first place in the conference, and tomorrow they host No. 18 ranked Utah State Eastern.

It's been an honor to have an association with Jim and his knowledge of soccer, which is in Overland Park and Johnson County a pretty popular sport, and would like to keep him here. But with that said, I'd like to congratulate Jim on his achievement this year.

(Applause.)

>> Mr. Jim Schwab: Thank you very much, everybody, for your time. That's the first time in 25 years I've heard compliments from Carl.

(Laughter.)

So anytime you guys want to invite me back, but thank you very much.

>> Coach, could you tell everybody where the game might be tomorrow, what time, in case people want to come see?

>> Mr. Jim Schwab: We're going to be at home in our facility, far west side of campus, and it's at 2 p.m.

>> Great.

>> Thank you very much.

>> Mr. Carl Heinrich: The next person I'd like to introduce to you is our head cross country coach and track coach. Last season Mike's women's cross country and track teams captured the triple crown by winning the championship in cross country, indoor program and outdoor track in the region and the East Jayhawk Conference. It marked the second time in three years that the women's team has reached those milestones. It's a very difficult task. If you're familiar with track, the old Texas Relays, Kansas Relays, Drake Relays, used to be something that was difficult to do. This is equally as difficult.

In addition to that, Mike was selected as Region VI Women's Coach of the Year, and Mike is in his 17th season as cross country coach and 7th as track. Please join me in congratulating Mike.

(Applause.)

>> Mike: I just want to thank all of you. Without your support, none of this would be possible. This is my 17th year here and I can't believe I've been here 17 years; it's gone by like that. So, again, just thank you so much for your support, and hopefully we can keep this going. Thank you.

>> Thank you.

(Applause.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: This is one of nine plaques over there like this and we just couldn't handle all nine of them, but I would just like to say for the coaches and also for the small business recognition that it all takes a lot of hard work and perseverance and we just appreciate
what all of you do. I mean 400 wins, that's -- and 25 wins, that's a lot of wins every year, so. And both of you, congratulations for your good work. We really appreciate it. Carl, thank you very much.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Dr. Cook, there are two more recognitions -- no, no, that's -- that I'd like to recognize. And these two are -- as you know, on Sunday morning we had our Lace Up For Learning 5K, and I just want to recognize, on my left, Dr. Judy Korb came in second in her category, in her age category.

>> What is that age? No.
(Laughter.)

>> And how many people competed?
(Laughter.)

>> Exactly!

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: And on my right, I'd like to recognize Dr. Jerry Cook for coming in second in his category, second place. I will not give the age category, but I want to salute you for that performance. So there you go.

(Applause.)

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Have you ever seen the Billy Crystal movie where...
(Laughter.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We would encourage all trustees to participate next year in the Lace Up and see if you can do as well as Dr. Korb did. I would say that it's certainly a timed event, and both Trustee Lindstrom -- well, all three, Trustee Lindstrom, Dr. Korb, and Dr. Sopcich left me far behind, and yet because I'm so much older than all of them, I was able to -- and, Trustee Sharp, don't ask me how many there were in my age bracket.

(Laughter.)

Okay. Thank you very much. Appreciate that. Student Senate report. Mr. Redmond.

>> Mr. Jeffery Redmond: Good evening. Since our previous meeting, Student Senate has made numerous investments in clubs and organizations around campus. Our most recent investments include the Veterans Club, SKAI, which is the Students of Kansas Association for Interpreters, Model United Nations, and the Graphic Design Club. We've been able to distribute over $17,000 to these clubs and organizations for their participation in competition and compensation for travel expenses. Thank you.

Since the onset of their inception, all of these clubs have received a multitude of recognition and awards for their accomplishments. As their proposals were well-suited for our endorsement, we felt that it was necessary to help the continuation of their success.

It is also -- Senate has also given the green light for several clubs to form on campus. These new formations include the Respiratory Club, the Improv Club, the Glee Club, and Enactus, which is geared toward more entrepreneurial endeavors for students. Senate was pleased to see students taking it upon themselves to further the culture of our community. We believe that these formations would allow those who have yet to find themselves a part of a larger community an avenue to do so.

As for our own personal generation of communal efforts, Senate has opened its doors for the nominations of our annual tradition of JCCC Gives. This program is a way to find those
that are in need throughout the holidays support within our own community as a way to help them through that.

In addition to this, we believe we will be preparing ourselves for our Halloween tradition Trick or Treat for JCCC. This program provides a safe and friendly alternative to trick-or-treating for children and grandchildren of student parents and grandparents here at the college. These programs have been wildly successful in terms of communal support and participation from the outside community, as well as for those whom they have been designed to benefit.

And as for Senate's continuation of internally educating ourselves, we were fortunate enough to have our very own Dr. Judy Korb visit and speak with us about the many characteristics and qualities for our future leadership roles. And on behalf of Senate, I would like to take this opportunity to extend once again our gratitude for your support and guidance. And unless there are any other questions, that would conclude my report.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Questions or comments from any of the trustees?

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: I have one for Jeff. Jeff, recently the Senate took on a smoking -- a recommendation on a smoking ban for the e-cigarettes, correct?

>> Mr. Jeffery Redmond: Correct.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: And today at Council of Presidents meeting in Topeka, it was interesting that all the presidents talk about the challenges they have with implementing these non-smoking rules across campus and things like those bans. I just wanted to commend you for your leadership and being a part of the solution here on our campus because it gave me great pride to say, man, we've already -- we're already through all that stuff and it's gone quite well. So thank you for that.

>> Mr. Jeffery Redmond: Thank you.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you, Jeff. Appreciate it very much.

College Lobbyist Report. Mr. Carter.

>> Mr. Dick Carter: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We are just under the three-week mark until the November 4th elections. You now can vote in advance, and so I would encourage anyone who wants to do that to go ahead and take care of that before the November 4th deadline. But this is going to be an important election. We've been talking about it since the legislature adjourned essentially. We continue to focus on three primary races, at least those of us who sort of follow these things in Topeka, and that is the race of the governor, the race for U.S. Senate, and the secretary of state's race has become intriguing as well as we sort of listen and watch and put together the bits and pieces of information that we pick up.

We -- when we get bored we play games in Topeka and we -- we've moved on from handicapping races because so many of them are toss-ups at this point, we've talked about what happens if one person becomes governor or not and how does that play out in the House. There are 92 Republicans and 32 Democrats in the House, an overwhelming majority, if you will, of Republicans, but not all think the same, and so one of the things that we've begun to look at is a handful of races. There are about 11 races that are fairly competitive, three of which are in Johnson County, that could make the difference on whether or not -- should the incumbent governor be re-elected -- as to whether or not there is a strong enough majority to pass some of
the items that would be on the agenda for finishing out the road map, or if the challenger were elected, if there is a veto-proof majority, which takes 84 votes in the House. We don't really even talk about the Senate, first of all, because they're not up for election this year, with the exception of a couple of appointed positions, but that body is -- overwhelmingly the majority is Republican and will definitely be able to either sustain a veto or pass whatever needs to be passed for the road map agenda.

So there are three races at least in Johnson County that we kind of have our eye on or that we are at least paying attention to, and that's District 18, that's the Rubin-Neighbor race; District 22, the Lusk-Jones race; and District 30, which is the seat retired by Representative Kinser and is the Powell-Dickinson race. And, again, those are 3 of 11 that we just kind of are watching to see what happens. They will play a role in the grand scheme of things when the elections are -- when all the votes and tallies are counted.

One of the other things that received some headlines over the course of the last few weeks, and that is the end of the first quarter for the state's fiscal year. We're down about 23 million. Again, the third month in a row where figures are down or have missed the mark. Some folks are projecting in the current year we'll be down around 200 million and around 400 million in the next fiscal year, which is what we begin the -- the budget we begin debating once legislators return in January. The interesting thing about that is, is no one really ever talks about the $750 million bond of Certificate of Indebtedness that the Finance Council typically issues as the legislature adjourns. It's money that is bonded out to give us cash in the bank to get through the -- the periods where there is not cash flow. It's pretty typical practice, but that money has to be paid back, and so that again is a figure that we'll be needing to take a look at when all of those budget folks begin to meet and talk about what the numbers are going to look like for not only the current year but next fiscal year.

The special Committee on Ethics, Elections, and Local Government met earlier this month. Their agenda didn't have anything to do with issues that we might be interested in, at least as a body of trustees for the college. However, they will be taking up several election issues probably in the month of November and December, they have two more meetings slated. It is certain that they will once again revisit the fall election issue for local units of government, and so I'll be following that issue and reporting back to you the findings of the committee, and ultimately typically the committees will issue a report which then would produce potential legislation in January.

The other interesting item that we'll be following is the Legislative Budget Committee. It will be a very popular committee to follow this fall. They've not met and probably will not do so until after the elections. And, in fact, the Consensus Revenue Estimating Group will be doing their mid-year projection probably if not the latter part of the week of the election soon thereafter, it's always the second week or so in November, and we'll get a glimpse or an idea of what those estimators think the budget will look like for the remainder of the fiscal year.

A bit of good news. We, through the efforts of Darcy McGrath and her folks over in the office that puts together grants, we -- and I think Dr. Sopcich may report on this a little bit later, so I don't want to steal any thunder from him, but we were the recipient of a Department of Labor $2.5 million grant to assist with training folks locally for local employers, specifically
focused on technical type of work. And so, again, that's another area where our regular communication with the Congressional delegation in D.C. has been very helpful in them writing letters and communicating with the agency on our behalf.

And then the other piece of information that is included in the report is the Legislative Liaisons on Behalf of Higher Education meet once a month, and so that would be the entire system, university, technical college, community colleges, and one proposal that will be coming forward to the Board of Regents in November is to make sure that a correction is made to include Johnson County Community College in the GED program that was passed last year. Don't know what the dollar figure looks like with respect to that. That was an item discussed at our meeting this past Tuesday, was with the projected shortfalls, where will all of that balance out, not to mention the continued support for the Senate Bill 155 for career and tech ed programs.

The final item that I'll mention is not in your report. I received an e-mail while I was en route to Johnson County today from Tom Robinett, who is the lobbyist for the OP Chamber. One of the committees that I participate in at the Chamber is the Government Affairs Committee, and there is a new member at the Chamber and one who's begun attending the Government Affairs Committee and has become very vocal and the meetings are becoming a little bit more interesting, and that's a representative from the Kansas Policy Institute. As you might be aware, they have an opinion on what budgets should look like and what numbers add up to, and when you inject that into larger group discussion of folks that maybe aren't of the same mind-set, that -- that certainly makes for an interesting meeting. And the Overland Park Chamber will be reviewing their state legislative positions tomorrow at their Government Affairs meeting and so there could be some interesting dialogue at that particular meeting. So I just wanted to leave you with that message. We talked about the movement of that group from Wichita into the Overland Park area last year. That regression continues to make itself known.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Musil?

>> Trustee Greg Musil: This Certificate of Indebtedness, I hope I'm not the only Kansas taxpayer that wasn't familiar with that. But so is that basically an annual event where the State will borrow money to cover it during periods when revenues -- because our revenues don't come in monthly, but our expenses tend to come monthly.

>> Mr. Dick Carter: That's correct. And it helps cover school payments and items like that. It typically occurs in May or June when the State Finance Council meets, that group makes that decision or issues that bond, or that certificate.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: Is it paid back annually, then, or the end of the next fiscal year?

>> Mr. Dick Carter: It depends how it's bonded. That is the intent. It typically gets rolled into a budget. And so it's either absorbed into the budget, but it's a fairly large number that puts us at a deficit moving into the next budget year that we need to make sure we're paying attention to.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: I'm trying to figure out if this is some new tradition or if it's --

>> Mr. Dick Carter: It's been going on for years.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: So for years we have -- the State has been using indebtedness as its cash flow vehicle.
>> Mr. Dick Carter: Yes.
>> Trustee Greg Musil: I just want to make sure I understand, because they don't like it when we use reserves as our cash flow vehicle, and I want to make sure I understand. If the preferred process is to borrow money or to save money because we use reserves to cover the periods when we don't get our ad valorem tax revenues in, I think our method is better. I just want to make sure I understood. I didn't realize the State did that as an annual matter. If it's an annual matter, it's not any bigger deal this year than it was in the past? Or was it a bigger number?
>> Mr. Dick Carter: It's also not always that amount. The amount fluctuates depending on what the projected need is and the ending balance.
>> Trustee Greg Musil: Thanks.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Other questions? Any additional comments?
>> Mr. Dick Carter: Not from me.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Carter. Appreciate it very much and we've encouraged everybody to vote. Advance voting is in progress now and certainly don't forget about November 4th. Good luck to everybody.
Committee Reports and Recommendations. Trustee Musil.
>> Trustee Greg Musil: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The Management Committee met at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, October 1st, in this room. Mr. Lindstrom was there with me. We reviewed two action items for tonight. They were Requests for Proposals based on prior RFPs for college services. The first one that starts on Page 7 in your packet is the recommendation with respect to annual office supply contracts. It is the recommendation of the Management Committee that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of College Administration to approve the establishment of an annual contract for office supplies with OfficeMax North America, Inc., at an annual expenditure not to exceed $250,000, and I will make that motion.
>> Second.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.
(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee Greg Musil: The second action item is the recommendation of the Management Committee that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of College Administration to approve the renewal of the annual contract for prime vendor for food and food supplies with SYSCO Food Services of Kansas City, Inc., at an annual expenditure not to exceed $800,000. I will make that motion and point out that this begins at Page 9 in the board packet.
>> Second.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion and a second. Any questions? Any discussion? Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.
(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee Greg Musil: The Foundation also made a report through its executive director, or president. She's not here, I'm not sure what her title is. The boss at the Foundation,
Kate Allen reported on the Foundation's annual report, its revenues, its expenditures, its investment reports, all of which were very good and reiterated what many of us have already heard, but we -- it's never too many times to say it. I think the first time we were able to achieve more than $1 million in scholarships. I think it went to more than 1,000 students, allowed a lot of students to continue their education so that they can get good jobs and be even more productive members of society.

Emily Behrmann did a presentation on the Performing Arts Series. The 25th anniversary of the Carlsen Center as a physical building is in 2015 and '16, and the Foundation and then I think with the hopefully input from this board will determine whether that is an opportune time, apparently there is a demonstrated need to raise some money for refurbishing of both Yardley Hall and Polsky Theatre. A recent architectural study suggested $1.5 million construction budget for the various upgrades, and the 25th anniversary is an opportune time usually to try to go out and raise those funds. It's something we all ought to be concerned about and think about because that's kind of the front door to our college for an awful lot of the public.

Don Perkins reported on the proposed budget guidelines, which I think you find at Page 2 of your board packet. I mentioned at the meeting that it seems like forever we're working on the budget and then in August we finally pass the final budget, it gets published, and we almost have one month off and then in October we're working on the budget again. So the budget guidelines help the cabinet figure out how to start structuring the budget for next year. Those details will come hotter and heavier in the months to come, but budgeting is never done.

We got a report from Mitch on the sole source report and the summary of bids awarded between 25 and $100,000. It's on Page 6 of your board packet. Rex Hays provided the monthly update on capital infrastructure beginning at Page 15, and Sandra Warner provided a quarterly update on projects from Information Services. Her report begins on Page 16. I think the highlight of that is that there will be a -- there's a plan to update/improve our fiberoptic capabilities throughout the campus. It is a major, major undertaking with different segments of the campus in kind of a staggered format because it's not something you take on all at once. But that was very informative, and I can't remember if in your board packet there's a colored map that shows the different segments of the campus, but having fiberoptics is something critical to what we all do here every day and absolutely think is necessary or we get cranky.

So that concludes my report.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: I appreciate the work of the Foundation, as we all do, and the great work they do in a lot of areas. I guess I would have a question, Trustee Musil, of the discussion regarding the capital needs refurbishment at the -- at Yardley Hall and the Carlsen Center. Has that been part of any long-term maintenance need?

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: That's a really good point, and I appreciate Mr. Musil putting that out there. I think the Carlsen Center should probably be looked at in the context of the entire campus as well. Other potential remodeling needs, infrastructural type needs could be equally as pressing, if not more so. The Carlsen Center is only 25 years old. Some of these buildings that were built -- were the original buildings or soon after that have never been touched. So I think it's an opportunity for us to sit down, the cabinet, take the Strategic Planning Process, as well as looking at needs throughout the campus, and trying to provide a greater context other
than just focusing on that one building. Obviously there's a lot of support for the Carlsen Center because so many people use that every, you know, every weekend and during the week as well, but there are -- just -- I just want to make it clear that there are other places on campus that also deserve some attention, too. So we need to put a larger plan together to put it in greater context.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: I appreciate that, for one. When school started last fall and you and I were walking across the campus and I said couldn't we get that tuck work done during the summertime, and you politely reminded me that there's so much of that to be done it goes on year-round. And I think that some of us would have the expectation that if we have buildings that need major work, that would be part of a long-term capital plan so that we don't catch ourselves in a situation like many of the other institutions have in the course of time in their buildings becoming so -- such bad shape that it takes a lot of money to renovate them.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Yeah. We're very fortunate in the fact that we don't have all that delayed maintenance like so many of the universities do. We're very fortunate because of what we've done historically. Our challenge is to continue that tradition to make sure that our facilities are first-rate. I think the people in this community expect that because throughout the -- throughout our community so many things are first-rate. We should be no exception to that.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Stewart?

>> Trustee Jon Stewart: Yeah. I know Rex Hays does an excellent job of our capital plan for the buildings and to make sure that we're keeping them maintained, and it kind of was a surprise to me that the Yardley Hall and the theater were -- came up at a million and a half dollars to refurbish those. That had not been on any of these plans. So I guess I'd like to challenge the administration and Rex Hays to make sure we include all things that may come up. I know you may miss things. But let's make sure that that's part of our capital plan. And I think that at least this trustee's viewpoint is I know the Foundation is stepping up and saying they're going to try to raise a million and a half dollars to refurbish the -- those -- the theater and Yardley Hall. I think that it's some responsibility of this board and administration that we should step up, and so what I would propose is that we offer a matching where we allocate a million dollars to that refurbish process, and I believe Trustee Musil at the last meeting said that maybe there should be a reserve established to help keep those facilities maintained and that we offer to the Foundation a challenge that we will commit a million dollars of capital to make that refurbishing happen if they raise a million dollars, and then we would establish a reserve for future maintenance on that. But I really want to challenge the administration on making sure that we don't have those surprises in the future, and that -- because we have prided ourselves that we maintain our buildings, and I think that's been one of the strong advantages of Johnson County Community College over University of Kansas and Kansas State is we don't have significant deferred maintenance, and I think we can be proud of that. I just throw that out there for discussion.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Musil?

>> Trustee Greg Musil: Well, I think the point -- I don't want anybody to think this is any kind of a done deal or that this is even going to be done, let alone how it will be funded. I think
what Kate was pointing out is that a significant amount of interest from the Foundation and from people that are familiar with those facilities and understand, number one, that they're 25 years old and they're somewhat dated, not that we don't have other places that are, and number two, that there are certain places where people will give their money and, you know, the bathroom restoration that we're doing in -- is that -- I can't remember which building that's in. OCM.

>> OCD.
(Laughter.)

>> B.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: OCB.
(Laughter.)
The building with the bad bath rooms.
(Laughter.)

>> Trustee Greg Musil: We're not going to find funding for those. So it's balancing the overall needs of the campus with where the revenue sources can come from. And the main thing I think I agree with Trustee Stewart on is that the Foundation believes and is committed to finding ways to spend private dollars on that, and that makes it easier for us to do anything, including academic facilities like the Hospitality and Culinary Center. That wouldn't have happened without the private sector support.

So I think I was not aware of a perceived need there either until the Management Committee meeting. I appreciate the Foundation bringing it forward, and I know now we'll get an overall view of it on campus, where it ranks in the priority of needs and where it ranks in can we fund this from sources other than our general fund, and I'm -- I remind everybody that in our last budget session we put more money into capital and maintenance, and we've -- we have a plan to increase our capital items over the next five-year budget because of what we did with the mill levy last year and in a way to get it so we get caught up. I know we still would get up to percentages that we saw in a slide from Rex or whatever on the presentation that we wouldn't be to this national average. I'm always nervous about national average. I think we're doing a good job in catching up. This is one more example where we need to know about it and figure out how to fund it.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you. Trustee Lindstrom?

>> Trustee David Lindstrom: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Along those same lines, I've been here almost two years, and every time I come on campus I have been impressed with things that are going on on the campus, have been amazed with some of the lack of knowledge on my part as it relates to some new things that are happening on campus, and appreciative of all the things that this college does. And as it relates to the capital and the Performing Arts Center, the Carlsen Center, I would like -- I think there's -- one of the challenges we face is letting people know about the good things that this college and this institution does on a daily basis. And so I would like the board and staff to consider some kind of way to allow people to know more about what goes on in this campus and a brief discussion happened in Management Committee as it related to that and it related to some kind of signage on the corner. So that's my comment.
Chair Jerry Cook: Other trustee comments? Well, we have been presented with some good discussion. I think Trustee Musil, Trustee Lindstrom, and Trustee Stewart have challenged us all to think a little bit about -- and the administration -- as to how we address our ongoing needs. We won't take action on any of that tonight, but certainly good discussion to think about as we move forward. And we do have a large number of citizens using the facilities on a daily basis, and I think we all agree that we want them to be in top shape.

Any other comments regarding the management report? Trustee Musil, any other comments?

Trustee Greg Musil: I thought it was excellent.

Chair Jerry Cook: Okay. Learning Quality, Trustee Cross?

(Laughter.)

Trustee Lee Cross: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The Learning Quality Committee met October 6th, 2014, at 8 a.m. in GEB 137, which is this room. Among the attendees were myself and Trustee David Lindstrom. Clarissa Craig and Associate Vice President of Instruction introduced Beth Edmonds, who will be the new chair of Educational Affairs who will be presenting curriculum at future meetings. And a number of changes were presented that were part of the KCOG, Kansas Core Outcomes Group alignment process to articulate core outcomes for the courses to be recommended for systemwide transfer. And there's a greater report at Page 22 about these changes, and incidentally the Learning Quality Committee report is at Pages 22-28 of the board packet.

There was affiliation agreement presented by Ms. Craig for review of a traditional agreement that we have between the college and Heartland Regional Medical Center of St. Joseph, Missouri, for the respiratory care program. The location will be used for special pulmonary and bronchoscopy training. The agreement has been reviewed by legal and may be moved forward for full board approval.

Additionally, Darcy McGrath and Deb Elder provided an update on a grant awarded to Johnson County Community College by the U.S. Department of Labor for a grant worth 2.49 million. Again, more information can be found at Pages 22-23 of the board packet, but the grant is one of six that have been awarded across the country over the past six years. The grant -- the grant started on October 1st and will be implemented over a period of four years, and the award is part of a long-term commitment to ensure that American workers have access to training and skills needed for in-demand careers to stay competitive in the market and this allows for a flexible curriculum for students, student support, and industry engagement is a must have for this initiative and we're very grateful for this grant. Dr. Sopcich thanked Darcy and Deb and all those who worked hard to make this remarkable award available to the college.

Vince Miller also presented an update on the group -- updated the group on campus use of new learning -- the new Learning Management System called Desire2Learn, D2L, which is being rebranded as Brightspace. And more information about that presentation can be found at Page 23 of the board packet.

The Learning Quality Committee did have some recommendations to make. Learning Quality Committee has reviewed the recommended updates to the Audit Policy 311.05 and it is recommended to update the policy language to reference the current term utilized by the
college for 60-plus tuition rates, formerly known as the Brown & Gold Club. So, therefore, it is the recommendation of the Learning Quality Committee that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of the College Administration to approve the proposed amendments to the Audit Policy 311.05 as is shown subsequently in the board packet. And, again, you can see that at Page 24 of the board packet. I can read it if you'd like, Mr. Chair, but...

>> Chair Jerry Cook: That's not necessary.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: Okay.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: I'd so move that this recommendation of the administration be adopted.

>> Second.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: Additionally, I have to report that the Learning Quality Committee has reviewed the recommendations regarding the proposed updates to and consolidation of the following policies: The Advertising Sales on Campus Section 318.05, Canvassing 318.06, and Bulletin Boards and Posters 318.07. The content will be updated and incorporated into the newly titled and numbered Soliciting, Canvassing and Promoting on Campus Policy 318.03. These policies were reviewed as part of the overall effort to improve the key performance indicator of student satisfaction. The recommended changes generally serve to improve the clarity and organization of student policies.

So, therefore, I recommend -- it is the recommendation of the Learning Quality Committee that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of the College Administration to approve the proposed amendments to the Soliciting, Canvassing and Promoting on Campus Policy 318.03 and the deletion of the Canvassing Policy 318.06 and Bulletin Boards and Posters Policy 318.07 as is shown subsequently in the board packet at Page -- I believe it's 24. 25. Excuse me. 25 and 26. Mr. Chair, I so move.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion. Do we have a second?
>> Second.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Any discussion? Any discussion?
>> Trustee Lee Cross: I will add, I did ask with respect to the legality of these policies that we'd run them by legal and they were in step with other policies adopted in the industry, so.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: Thank you.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: One final report, Mr. Chair. The Learning Quality Committee has reviewed and -- the recommended updates to the Student Newspaper Policy which will be numbered -- be renumbered to 318.02. It is the -- it is recommended that the policy be updated to accurately reference the title and role of the advisory board that serves the student
newspaper. It is therefore the recommendation of the Learning Quality Committee that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation of the College Administration to approve the proposed amendments to the Student Newspaper Policy Section 318.02 as is shown subsequently in the board packet at Page 27 and 28. Mr. President, I so move.

>> Second.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: And, Mr. Chair, that concludes my report.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Any questions of Trustee Cross? Thank you very much. Human resources, Trustee Sharp.

>> Trustee Stephanie Sharp: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Human Resources Committee did not meet, so I have no report. But I did notice that there's no Foundation report on the agenda, and I want to -- am I missing that?

>> It's on every other month, so we reported last month.
>> Trustee Stephanie Sharp: Okay.
>> So that's why it's not on this one.

>> Trustee Stephanie Sharp: Well, then can I just add something? It's my turn to talk. While I have the floor, I wanted to just remind everyone of two big events coming up, Beyond Bounds is this weekend and it's Beyond Bounds - Electric!, which I am personally renaming Beyond Bounds - Royal Blue!

(Laughter.)
It is blue this year, the theme is blue, which is very exciting considering everything that's going on in Kansas City right now. So that is Saturday evening here on campus at the Nerman, and come wearing your fanciest blue and be prepared to bid on blue art. And then, secondly, the Foundation board met, we had our annual dinner last week and recognized community leader Mary Birch with The Open Petal award and Dr. Dennis Day with the -- remind me the name of it -- colleague, the Colleague of the Foundation Award for his decades of service. I won't say how many decades.

>> Spanning two centuries.
(Laughter.)
>> Trustee Stephanie Sharp: I didn't say that. He did. Decades of service to the college. So we are very grateful to those two people for their leadership obviously at the college and as well as the Foundation. So that concludes my report of -- that's not on the agenda.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you very much. Any questions of Trustee Sharp?
>> Trustee Greg Musil: I think Dr. Day actually deserves a round of applause from this group for that award.

(Applause.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Congratulations, Dennis. It's been a year, too.

Collegial Steering met on October 7th at 4:00. Trustee Musil and I attended that meeting. We had two topics, the D2L. Trustee Cross has given a report on the D2L in his report. I think
we had really good discussion about the enthusiasm of going to a new system that is quite complicated, and when we have 70% of the faculty and all the departments that are actively engaged in being involved with the process, it really is a testament I think to our faculty. Faculty was very supportive of the great work the technology center is doing to support them and we're just very pleased with how that's coming along. Whenever you change a data system or any behavior of time, we all sometimes hesitate to see if this change is really going to occur and will it go away next month or next year, but we're moving ahead really, really well. It's a very comprehensive system and, again, we really appreciate the support from the technology staff and the enthusiasm of all the faculty to put that in place.

Trustee Musil, did you have anything you wanted to add to the D2L?

>> Trustee Greg Musil: Well, I -- when we say D2L, it's like everybody knows what that means, and I know I didn't for the longest time and may still not. But it's -- I understood it more as a place to post things so students would have access to the class syllabus, to their own individual progress in the class, including their grades, to other just materials in the class, and I understand it's much more than that, that faculty can use that to download information from other sources and take and then present in class, whether it's a video or other electronic means. And it sounds like, based on my understanding, a very powerful tool, but it's subject to the same limitations of any powerful IT tool, which is you gotta know how to use it to maximize it. There are lots of different ways to do it and faculty members are at different stages -- faculty members and administration and staff -- different stages as to how they use it and the comfort level they have with it. But what I was most impressed with was that the faculty are very enthusiastic about it, and our support system seems very good, which I congratulate I.T. on their role in that because it's -- without those two things, you'll never get people to use it and we'll just have more frustration. So it sounds like a great thing for students and faculty, which means it's a great thing for the college and we'll make it work better and better as we go along.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Well, to elaborate on that and to reinforce Trustee Cross' report, there are over 3500 core shells have been built into the system, 1,400 active courses have content loaded, and to reinforce what Trustee Musil has said, there are 313,000 visits to the D2L website monthly. So this -- this idea of engagement and interaction is pretty powerful. Dr. Sopcich, I don't know if you have anything you want to add to that.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: No. But I was going to ask Mr. Anderson if he had a few comments on D2L.

>> Dr. Andy Anderson: Well, I just would -- I think you've touched on it now. The point is, it makes the learning environment much more interactive. The students can engage with faculty and in just a range of fairly exciting and dynamic ways. So it's far more than a place where you upload or download information. It's a management tool that allows for an interactive learning environment and we're excited about it.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: And hopefully all of that will increase the teaching and learning activities that go on for the benefit of the students.

>> Trustee Lee Cross: Mr. Chair, if I may.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Yes, sir.
>> Trustee Lee Cross: I didn't mean to cut the report short. I was really aiming to shorten time. I know how much you like to stay on pace, so I would have been happy to have read all of that.

(Laughter.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: You did. You did. I was just reinforcing what you said.

>> Trustee Lee Cross: Some of which I skipped over and just referenced the page. I apologize for not fleshing that out more.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: The other item on the agenda was really a fun discussion on reviewing what it is we think we do, and so the Faculty Association, the Faculty Senate, and Ed Affairs are all really three key organizations on this campus. And so being one that isn't as learned about the detail of all three -- of all three organizations, we thought it would be interesting just to have a discussion about how we work together, what each is to do, and how they engage. And I think at some point it would even be helpful perhaps to have maybe a little one-page crib sheet for the trustees to know that here's the Faculty Association, here's what they're about, here's what they're engaged in day-in, day-out, here's what the Faculty Senate is about and here's what Ed Affairs deals with, because they're all three really important organizations that, again, affect the teaching and learning process for our students. I would defer to Greg, if you have any comments. We spent really a fun time discussing all of those.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: It was spirited and fun and interesting and there are lots of different ways to skin a cat within any environment and certainly within an academic environment, but it was very productive and I'm impressed with how everybody is working toward the same goal, and that ultimately should be our task.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Very good. That completes my report. I'd be happy to respond to any questions you might have.

President's Recommendations for Action. Treasurer's Report, Trustee Lindstrom.

>> Trustee David Lindstrom: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm pleased again to present the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 31st, ending August 31st, 2014, which can be found on Pages 29-39. Again, briefly, here are a few highlights. On Page 38, at the bottom of the page, please note the cash fund balances as of August 31st. We had a book balance of 93.4 million with 16.6 million in outstanding encumbrances, leaving us with an unencumbered balance of 76.8 million.

State grant payments of 11.1 million were received in August, as was mentioned they would be last month in this report. Ad valorem distribution of 3.9 million was received in September and will be reflected in next month's report. Expenditures are -- in the Primary Operating Funds are within approved budgetary limits, and it is therefore the recommendation of the College Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 2014, subject to an audit, and that would be my recommendation.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion. Do we have a second?

>> Second.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Any discussion? Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.
>> Trustee David Lindstrom: Mr. Chairman, that concludes my report.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you, Trustee Lindstrom. Dr. Sopcich.
>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Thank you, Dr. Cook. In front of you, you have the monthly report to the board, 27 pages. And what's great about this report, if you'll notice, it's very succinct in each area, so it's nicely done, very informative. I hope you enjoy it.
It's on to the Lightning Round. I'd like to turn it over to Dr. Korb.
>> Dr. Judy Korb: Yes. And I quickly appointed myself director of the Lightning Round, and so I will be announcing the presenters in no particular order here.
(Laughter.)
Karen Martley is the first one.
>> Ms. Karen Martley: I want to share a contract we're working on in Continuing Education that's been a fun one to work with. We are working with Grafton Scientific, which is a subsidiary of Grafton, Inc., and they specialize in scientific expertise and placing employees, and they came to us to work with them on getting employees trained to place in the animal health care and the bioscience jobs that they're looking for. They can find the scientists. They can find the researchers. They can find the high-end I.T. people. But the people to do the day-to-day lab tech, coming in, some of the entry level jobs are the ones they need some assistance replacing. So they came to us to partner on how we could do some training and then feed those employees into those jobs. So what we created with them is a boot camp. We have a one- and two-week boot camp that they go through that they get hands-on lab experience, as well as some good manufacturing practices, basics, and then that prepares them to go to work in these animal health and bioscience companies.

The benefit to those employees has been that they don't pay for the training. That's covered by Grafton. And they're also paid while they go through the training, which are two issues for people often feeding into those beginning level jobs. They also get continuing education hours, so that encourages them to do that as part of the prior learning assessment to come in and then take further their education and get a credit degree.

The benefit to those companies, because many are very entrepreneurial, innovative, small companies, they don't have a large staff to do the training, so it's saving their labor costs. They don't have to do the training, as well as the retention strategies there because they -- they are getting a better fit because they have somebody that pre-screens them and does the training and ultimately then that life -- or that long cycle of ongoing people to feed into that pipeline.

So we started this project with them, the first contract, at the end of May, and since that time we've trained and placed 25 employees into those various companies. I can't share those company names because that's a confidentiality agreement we have with Grafton, but they are placing them all in those local jobs. If you're on social media, look at LinkedIn, I'd suggest you go out and look at the Grafton and they posted an article on our partnership just this week. The president, I'll quote him. Mr. Hagen said, We're giving direction for education in demand positions. There's no cost for the students. They're paid for their training and they receive continuing education hours. The right person with the right skill equals success.
So we really appreciated that being posted this week. We can't get marketing like that for free, so we're really glad to see that. Any questions?


>> KAREN MARTLEY: Thank you.

>> Dr. Judy Korb: Thank you. Barbara Larson.

>> Dr. Barbara Larson: Thank you. I wanted to highlight one of the many collaborations that happened here at the college between departments to improve the student experience. As the board recalls, we moved our Johnson County Adult Education Program, another program under Karen Martley, from leased space at 151st and Ridgeview to college-owned space at the Olathe Health Education Center, commonly called OHEC, over the summer. So Janice Blansit, the program director from that area, worked very closely with Rex Hays and Denise Moore's staff, Information Services and Campus Services, to make that move as painless as possible, and it was on time. They moved the technology and configured space for 20 faculty and staff. 20 -- I'm sorry, 10 faculty and staff, 20 volunteers to serve more than 200 students.

The adult education program now has two dedicated classrooms in which each student work station is equipped with a computer, a huge leap forward from the former Olathe center classrooms. Huge leap forward.

They have been -- they have access not only to the computer lab, but to the larger community room space. Our program recently hosted a statewide technical training session for other adult education professionals, and according to Janice Blansit, they were wowed by our facilities.

And, most importantly, Janice reports that students, teachers, and volunteers are enjoying the experience. It's so attractive, it's a highly functional facility, and she's seeing much more pride among the students for being there. They're exposed to career options showcased at OHEC that they may not have previously considered. So students are encouraged to move around the facility and see those fantastic medical simulation labs on the second floor.

So, again, these things happen all the time, but they take great planning and effort by so many people, and it's great to see the parking lot at OHEC full. So please visit if you haven't been to the facility recently. It's a terrific facility.

>> Thank you.

>> Dr. Judy Korb: Andy.

>> Dr. Andy Anderson: Did you want me at that podium or here? This is fine. I'm on it, okay. There was a conversation before the evening began. I wasn't sure if I was going to have to get up and perform or walk extra steps like last month's exercise.

(Laughter.)

You know, I'm on top of things here, more or less. Actually, at 3:45 I was in Topeka at the Kansas Core Outcome Group meeting and I thought I was going to leave at 2:45, misjudged it by an hour, so I'm really -- I don't know really where I am right now. But I'll continue with the Lightning Round in my own slow fashion.
There's a number of things. We've drawn your -- the public's attention to the bottom left corner of the college web page several times. I would first of all just reinforce for our audience, for everyone, the number of events that are going on all the time here at the college. Two that I especially would like to recognize right now, there's an artist, Elizabeth Washburn, of San Diego, California, who's working with service members transitioning out of war zones in Iraq and Afghanistan. She'll be speaking at 7 p.m. Wednesday, November 12th, so a few weeks out, but you can put it on your calendars. She will appear as part of the activities the college has planned for Veterans Week. The event will be free and open to the public. It's sponsored by the Polsky Practical Personnel Enrichment Series. Washburn has been working with service members for seven years. In 2010 she founded the Combat Arts San Diego, where she provides free art classes, public art opportunities, museum tours, and art exhibitions for active duty service members and veterans. It's really a remarkable program and one that underscores the commitment that the college has made to the veterans here and something that deserves attention.

As part of the College Scholars Series, Farrell Hoy Jenab, who is an adjunct professor here at Johnson County Community College, will present "Flint Hills Women." That's on November 11th in Hudson Auditorium. The lecture is part of our scholar program. As a Flint Hills native herself, Farrell grew up listening to her father, who's actually a pretty important Kansas poet, tell stories of the history and the folklore of the area. So she's always known about the Flint Hills and that it was a special place. It wasn't until she was an adult teaching English probably because we made her an adjunct faculty member, I'll take credit for that, even though it's really not true, but anyway, she began writing about the lives of women of that region, and there will be a second presentation she'll give on "Prairie Women's Writings" at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, the very next day.

So those are just two of the events that will be happening here coming up in the next few weeks. Since the sports team was recognized, it's also worth noting the volleyball team recently defeated Highland. They're ranked I think No. 9 now in the nation. The faculty and students in the interior design program were selected to be judges for this year's remodeling contest sponsored by the home and garden magazine KCHG in Kansas City. One could go on, and as I want to do, I apologize, there are so many things the faculty and students do at the college here, it's just -- I am just very proud of them. Thank you.

>> Dr. Judy Korb: Denise.

>> Ms. Denise Moore: Yes. What Dr. Korb forgot to mention is she gave us instructions and we were supposed to -- I was supposed to do something spectacular after Andy, so this is going to be a hard act to follow. But anyway, I'm going to talk a little bit about the technology resources that we're providing our students from off-campus. And by that, we provide a lot of resources like to our Learning Management System that you talked about, students can get to that. But one of the ones I wanted to mention is what we call, and I'll try not be too technical, but it's called the virtual private network, and what it does is it provides students access to the college's private network, secure access to our private network from the public Internet. So they're able to access labs, applications and things that they would normally have to come up to campus to get access to. And in fact, the students in the Computer Information Systems and
I.T. labs are accessing their applications rather than coming on campus, and this not only, as Trustee Musil mentioned the plant, I want to put a plug in for the infrastructure because I think building that infrastructure is enabling us to do a lot of things like this and give students more access to things that they would normally have to drive up here to get access to. We did receive a comment from a student that I thought I would just read to you. She said, I was amazed to be able to do my labs at almost wire speed from my bedroom. Kudos for giving us such opportunity.

So I think it's trying to meet the students where they are with the resources that they need to succeed in their classes. But other than that, there's a couple of things Microsoft has done, and they have -- they are now providing free access to our students, any student that is taking at least one credit hour get access to all of the Microsoft Office products for free. That's a new agreement that they've opened up, and what that does is enables them to use Microsoft Office from anywhere. They can use it from college campus, they can use it from home. And they also have storage so that they can keep their documents there. But along with that, they get five copies of Microsoft Access to install on different devices they have, and even mobile devices. So at Campus Craze we were watching some students just download Microsoft Office on their smartphone. I don't know about you, but I need a little bit bigger screen when I'm in a document. But anyway, it does provide them some options. And some of the classes are already using these Office products, like business and office technology and computer applications. Their students are already using it in their classes, so.

And then, lastly, I just wanted to tell you about another licensing program that Microsoft has, and this is for more technical applications and it's really targeted at those STEM-related academic courses. And what they're doing is, at a very minimal cost to the college, we were able to get access to the technical programs like Server and Database and Developer Tools so that some of the classes, the more technical classes, both credit and non-credit, can use these resources in their classes.

So we're trying to provide more opportunities for students. I could go on. I think the grant you mentioned is also going to have some capability to provide off-campus access to some of the technical courses. So I think it's going to provide some opportunities for us to do more and provide more classes in other locations as well as online, so.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you very much.

>> Dr. Judy Korb: To wrap it up, Dennis.

>> Dr. Dennis Day: Thank you, Andy, for saying there's literally hundreds of activities and events going on for the semester. Right now it's October. So there are two big things happening in our world. It's recruitment season and it's mid-terms. So I just want to -- yeah, I know -- give you just a little recap of what's happening with some of the students. I'm going to give you three student perspectives. I've changed the names of the folks, but they're real people. I met with them in the last 24 hours.

Sally. She came into the office this morning and after her physical science class, she had to take a mid-term and she came in, she had ten hours, she had dropped her math class because she just can't keep up with it. But she has -- she has two children, 3 and 5. She's a veteran. She's on post-GI Bill benefits. Her husband left her last week, drained the bank account. So
she was in for an emergency loan to help out with some money for the week. That's her life for this week, but she came and took her mid-terms.

Trey. Met Trey last night. We were at a recruitment event at Shawnee Mission East. Trey is a home school student. He's been home schooled all of his -- all of his school life. He's a junior. He's 17 years old. He's going to take some math and science classes here and he wants to play basketball. I told you he's home schooled. He hasn't played organized basketball since he was 8 years old. He wants to try out for the college team and get into physics. Trey's got some wonderful dreams.

Then there's Maddie. Maddie arrived in the U.S. two years ago. She followed her sister from Mongolia to here. It's a long way to Kansas from Mongolia. Some of you even know Maddie. Maddie is enrolled in five courses this semester. She's going to graduate in May. She's -- her typical day -- well, today anyway, she went to her business class at 8:00. She went to her psych class at 9:00. And then she was -- or 9:30, because it's Thursday. And then she went to work in Student Life Office at 11:00. There she probably sold some stamps, talked to some students, did an ID, probably got on the phone and answered phone calls from over 100 community members inside of an hour, with a slight accent, but yet very friendly voice.

Those are the students that we see every day and those are the students that you represent, and we want to thank you on behalf of the staff for the board to -- to allow those students an educational opportunity. Just a reminder of what you guys really do do every day. Thank you.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you, Dennis.

>> Dr. Judy Korb: That's it.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Thanks, Dr. Korb, and to all the presenters. That was outstanding.

In front of you, you have some publications. You might want to take the opportunity to review them. How many of you can tell us the difference between Career Pathways, College Now, Quick Step, and Senate Bill 155? This lays it out really simple.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: That was rhetorical.

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: Yes, it was. Thank you. As well as this one here. This is kind of fascinating, too. It looks through the various school districts in Johnson County, what portion of the programs articulate along those lines. There's a grant publication which you don't have but we should get it to you as soon as possible. Over $6 million in grants this past year, and it lays out where those came from.

Two last things. One, I know at the beginning of the meeting tonight that Alicia talked about preparations for Ebola. It has to give us all a sense of confidence that we already have those types of plans in our emergency preparedness plan. That's a positive. Also, she and other members of our staff are out in the community attending the appropriate meetings with the various agencies and what-have-you on a countywide effort to be ready. So I thought that was a positive, and she should be -- she should be commended.

You may have read a story in the "Star" a couple weeks ago regarding a textbook here on campus, one of our Information Technology textbooks on teaching Java, and what's fascinating about that day is we looked at that and of course I thought our staff did a tremendous job in handling that before that article ran, which is why I thought the college looked very good in that article. At the same time on that morning we had over 150 middle school female students
here from 8 different school districts attending a STEM conference and encouraging those junior high girls for about -- and trying to inspire them for a career in STEM, science, technology, engineering, math. Absolutely fantastic. I got to welcome them. It was very, very exciting. And this stemmed from a partnership that included Olathe School Foundation, the Girl Scouts, Cisco, the KC STEM Alliance, and Women in Technology.

So it's great to see the college, as evidenced by tonight, is really trying to advance things in our community and going after even junior high school students. Very positive. So thank you. Thank you.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Stewart?

>> Trustee Jon Stewart: Dr. Sopcich, I just want to comment. I appreciate Alicia Pacer making those comments at the beginning of the meeting. I know there was some chuckling in the crowd, but it's comforting to know as a board member that we look at these issues. I think obviously the risk is fairly low, but there were two schools, one in Ohio and one in Texas, that canceled classes today because one of the passengers on the plane with the nurse was either a student or a teacher at those schools. So it's important for us to have those preparations, to be able to answer those questions. I think the main thing is fear, and as long as we're -- our procedures are in place and we consistently address that, I think that sets us apart. And, again, that's why I feel comfortable as a board member in Johnson County Community College knowing that we are prepared to answer those issues and looking ahead and being proactive. So thank you for doing that.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Musil.

>> Trustee Greg Musil: Well, two comments. I don't remember seeing an article in the paper here locally about the 150 junior high girls that attended a STEM promotional program at the college or any other STEM programs at this college or elsewhere. That's what's so frustrating is that there are more -- I suspect, without knowing, there were more of those young ladies inspired to do something in STEM through that program than have looked at that textbook that offended somebody this semester. Doesn't mean that the -- that you approve the picture that was in the textbook. It's just the focus. And what I love about this campus, is, from everybody I talk to, the focus is on the positive. We talk about the negative, we have constructive criticism, but we focus on the positive. It would be great to see that in the media. What a fantastic story that would have been to talk about that opportunity.

The second thing is, I'm going to criticize Dr. Day after leading applause for him earlier. I love what you just did there. But I don't think any of us up here believe we deserve nearly as much credit as the rest of the people in the room. So thank you for giving it to us, but it's you and the administration and the faculty that do that every day. There are students in this room and they know that they come to this meeting and they may enjoy it, they may appreciate it, but the people that make the difference in their lives are the people they see every day on campus, and I know it's not us. Thanks.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Other comments? Are you complete?

>> Dr. Joe Sopcich: That wraps up the report.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you, Dr. Sopcich. Next item is --

>> (Inaudible, speaker off mic.) -- with the great people we have at the college --
Dr. Joe Sopcich: You might want to identify yourself first.

Oh. I am Marie Horvat. I am the president of Model U.N. And one of the great things that I would like to tag along with is the great opportunities that our students are given. But Model UN is also a part of something that I've started a club that Enactus Now, which is the food pantry. Right now you see I don't have any script, so I'm just doing this sort of on my feet right now. What we're trying to do is sort of revamp the food pantry. There's a lot of students that are in need of food and having a lot of potential in this room right now. What we are trying to do is get back to helping students with food donations and although a lot of the departments have jumped in, we're trying to do food drives among students, between clubs, for example. And we have about $4,000 in funds that we're giving toward the food pantry every year. So this is about $300 a month where we're helping students with bags of food, food items, for example, soup, canned foods, things like that. And I'd like to reach out to you guys right now as the president of Model U.N. and as the president of the food pantry right now to please go ahead and if you do see the white food bins that we have on campus, please donate for the food pantry. That is something that is very dear to my heart because I know that there's a lot of students that are around me as well that -- that I help out. We have somebody that I work with who, although he's being paid from the college, he's still not able to make ends meet pretty much on his food, he had a lot of issues. And that is something that from there I took on and I would like to make sure that we are able to support the students not just on the educational level, but also on the level of their personal health and providing nutritious meals is definitely something that is very important.

So if I could get all of you guys to just donate, you know, a couple cans of food a week, that would be fantastic and I hope that we can reach out to the departments and the other students even more to make sure that all our students are healthy and are able to focus on their classes.

Chair Jerry Cook: I appreciate your enthusiasm and I appreciate the great work you've done with the Model U.N. and the practice of the Model U.N. and our debate teams and all of our students that perform very well in those areas. I would remind for the benefit of the audience that we do have a protocol in addressing the board, and we certainly don't want to begin to say that anybody can just stand up at any point in time and address the board. But your point is well made. Your point is well taken. And, again, we applaud you for the great work you did with Model U.N. and the courage you have to support your fellow students. So thank you very much.

Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Musil has a way of inspiring enthusiasm.

Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you.

Trustee Lee Cross: And if I may, Mr. Chair.

Chair Jerry Cook: Trustee Cross.

Trustee Lee Cross: Thank you for reminding us that there are people who really do go hungry in this county, so thank you.
Chair Jerry Cook: Next item is old business. Do we have any old business? Hearing none, any new business? And hearing none there, we go to our Reports from Board Liaisons.
KACCT has not met since our last meeting, and so we have no report.
Johnson County Research Triangle, Trustee Musil.
Trustee Greg Musil: We will have our next meeting on October 27th at 7:30 a.m. at the University of Kansas Edwards Campus and I'll have a report of our next meeting.
Chair Jerry Cook: Thank you very much. Faculty Association, Mr. Palcic.
Mr. Ron Palcic: Thank you for having me. I want to take this time to, very serious, Dr. Cook, and the Faculty Association is going to change its mode in negotiations in the spring and we're looking at having a lead negotiator outside of the college, and so I just wanted to give you heads-up on this so you guys could prepare. We're looking for the agent of Charlie Weis, the next head football coach of Notre Dame and KU to be our agent.
(Laughter.)
As soon as we line him up, we'll let you know.
Chair Jerry Cook: Will that go through the Learning Quality Committee?
(Laughter.)
Mr. Ron Palcic: No, I think it's management, because we need money.
(Laughter.)
Mr. Ron Palcic: All seriousness --
Trustee Stephanie Sharp: You win.
Mr. Ron Palcic: I had you going, didn't I?
(Laughter.)
Mr. Ron Palcic: I do want to add something on a personal note. I want to piggyback Dr. Sopcich. My daughter was in attendance at the STEM, the science, technology, engineering, math, and my other daughter was also in attendance -- an attendant the year before, and I want to do a comparison just for you because they both reported to me.
(Laughter.)
The older daughter, when they did that they went to Science City and it was at night and I didn't get to observe that, but the two daughters were comparing notes. My other daughter, who went this year, came to Johnson County Community College, and she is in Olathe School District, and I went over to see her and of course when she saw me it was --
(Gesturing.)
Then I talked to all the people around outside because I knew them and I was real excited about all the volunteers that we have working there. It's fabulous! And so when I got home, I talked to them about it. My daughter was so excited about STEM, all the things. And the other thing is, they were excited about the school, the college! And then the two daughters compared them. Science City didn't hold up a candle to us! Now, there is one bad thing, though. I understand that Dr. Sopcich did the introduction, and before you started, was it that you -- they were doing some kind of activity.
Dr. Joe Sopcich: Charades.
Mr. Ron Palcic: My daughter reported to me that Dr. Sopcich started to play charades with them and he was talking to them, and some young lady stood up and says, Dr. Sopcich, you can't talk during charades!

(Laughter.)

Dr. Joe Sopcich: It was a tough crowd.

(Laughter.)

Mr. Ron Palcic: Okay. Now I can give my real report. I do want to highlight one of many things that the faculty have been accomplishing over this year, and one thing that was done last night and I want to identify that Dr. Deb Williams, who is a faculty member in the biology department and also is our current Faculty Association president, who I'm very envious of who's on sabbatical this semester and, hence, that's why you have me, gave a presentation last night, and I have to read it because it's an -- I had to make it really big because of the title, and if you know Deb, you'll understand the title. "Above All Else, Do No Harm." I would have stopped there. But she goes on. "Legal and Ethical Issues in Science and Medicine, Informed Consents, Advanced Health Care Directives." And I understand it was well received. It was at the Hudson Auditorium and with a reception and the presentation. So I just wanted to highlight some things that we have and that she's coming back.

Another item is that I wanted to inform you about the Faculty Association supporting the students here at the college. We are donating $1,500 to the Foundation for scholarship funds. We are going in with a law firm called Lee Cross Law Firm, LLC, and we're sharing the cost of a table at the November 8th Some Enchanted Evening, and those out in the audience, if you are still interested, call Kate and see if there's still a table. It's a really exciting evening. I've been to it once before myself.

And I just wanted to say that everything is going well. This is our start of our ninth week. We're coming over the hump, finishing up the semester this year. Classes are moving smoothly. Everything academically speaking is going very, very well. And with that, I'm opened up for any questions -- oh, wait a minute! Almost forgot. My steps. But I'm real disappointed today because I'm way behind. I'm not going to tell you the number of steps, but right now just approximately I'm only 1,114 steps away from my goal today, and so I will try to get that after the meeting. But I also want to add that a part of the FitBit program that we have at the college, we have to form a team and I'm the captain of the team and we called ourselves Team FA for Faculty Association. And but unfortunately Deb said, well, you know there's another name and that is we're really the bargaining unit members. And so I mentioned that to them and so, yeah, I like the bargaining unit members. Let's call ourselves Team BUMs, bargaining unit members. So from now on when you see us, you just call me a BUM and I'll be very happy to work with that. All right. Thank you. Any questions?

Chair Jerry Cook: Any questions of Mr. Palcic? Comments? Thank you very much and good luck with your agent search.

The next item is the Consent Agenda. It's a time when we deal with a number of routine items. Any trustee has the option to pull an item off the Consent Agenda. Otherwise, we vote for the whole group. Does any trustee wish to pull an item off the agenda? I would then entertain a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

>> So moved.
>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion and a second. Any discussion? I would just say that under Item A-3, Dr. Sopcich mentioned it earlier, and for the public, we have listed a large number of grants and awards that our faculty has earned and just want to reinforce that sometimes we go through that quickly, but a lot of hard effort is gone through by a lot of individuals to achieve those, and so we greatly appreciate it.

Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries.

We do have two Executive Sessions tonight. We're going to take them separately. I would like to -- and so for Executive Session one, I would like to entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship in order to protect the privilege and the board's communications with its attorneys on legal matters. The session will last 15 minutes and no action will be taken during this session. We would like to invite Joe Sopcich, Terry Schlicht, Judy Korb, Barbara Larson, and Tanya Wilson to join us in this Executive Session. We'll begin that Executive Session at 6:35.

>> I'd so move.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a motion. Do we have a second?

>> Second.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Motion and a second. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Opposed? Motion carries. We'll convene at 6:35.

(Executive Session.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have just come out of -- oh.

We've just come out of our first Executive Session. No action was taken. At this time, we'll move into our second Executive Session. I would like to entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing consultations with the board's bargaining representation and employer-employee negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract. This session will last 15 minutes. We would like to invite Joe Sopcich, Terri Schlicht, Judy Korb, Barbara Larson, Becky Centlivre, Jim Lane, Susan Rider, Andy Anderson and Tanya Wilson. I would entertain a motion.

>> So moved.

>> Second.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: I have a motion and a second. Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Ayes.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: Motion carries. We'll start this session in 25 seconds.

(Executive Session.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We are back from our second Executive Session. No action was taken. That concludes our October meeting. I would ask for a motion for adjournment.
>> So moved.

>> Chair Jerry Cook: We have a second? All in favor signify by saying aye. (Ayes.)

>> Chair Jerry Cook: The October meeting is here by adjourned.