

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2023  
EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE  
EIU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University met in executive session on September 8, 2023. Board members and others in attendance included:

Ms. Baurer  
Ms. Edwards  
Ms. Everett  
Mr. Hicks  
Ms. Madigan

President Gatrell  
Matt Bierman, VP of Business Affairs  
Austin Hill, General Counsel

A motion was made to move into executive session to consider employment of employees, as permitted by Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act, and collective negotiating matters, as permitted by Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried.

The first part of the session was devoted to discussing the status of union negotiations with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME). President Gatrell and Vice President Bierman provided the summary. Discussion was had related to AFSCME's economic proposals. President Gatrell expressed the desire to offer competitive salaries. Discussion was had related to the length of the AFSCME contract. Various board members asked clarifying questions.

A motion was made to reconvene in open session, and the motion passed by unanimous vote. The Board of Trustees reconvened in open session.