AGENDA ITEM #XIII-A-1 MAY 25, 2021 HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD

APPOINTMENT DEAN, NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT: That the Board of Trustees approves the appointment of Dr. Stephanie Eymann as full-time Dean, Nursing and Allied Health beginning May 23, 2021, at a FY21 salary of \$84,509, plus appropriate fringe benefits. This is a full-time administrative position and is within the FY21 budget.

BACKGROUND: Dr. Eymann was hired as a full-time Nursing Instructor at Highland on August 16, 2018. On December 18, 2020, she was appointed to serve as the interim Director, Nursing after the resignation of the Dean, Nursing and Allied Health. Prior to these roles, Dr. Eymann worked at Walter Lawson Children's Home in Loves Park, Illinois where she was employed as a Registered Nurse. In addition, she was a Registered Nurse in NICU at Rockford Memorial Hospital and a substitute school nurse at Hononegah High School in Rockton. While pursuing her Doctor of Nursing Practice, Dr. Eymann completed clinical teaching at Rockford University, Clarke University, and OSF St. Anthony College of Nursing.

Dr. Eymann was awarded her Doctor of Nursing Practice with an emphasis in Nursing Education and Organizational Leadership and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Clarke University in Dubuque, Iowa. She earned an Associate's degree in Pre-Nursing from Rock Valley College.

Dr. Eymann's demonstrated success as the interim Director of Nursing, knowledge of assessment practices and student learning, collaborative leadership skills, and commitment to continued professional development make her an excellent choice for the Dean, Nursing and Allied Health position at Highland Community College.

BOARD ACTION:			