

RICHARD A. GELINE

CANDIDATE FOR OAKTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Candidate: Richard A Geline

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Occupation: Orthopaedic Surgeon

Education: B.S University of Wisconsin 1959; MD University of Wisconsin 1962;
Resident University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinic 1967-70

Civic Involvement: President Illinois State Medical Society 1998-99; Chairman of the Board Illinois State Medical Society 2004-06; President Chicago Medical Society 2003-04; Member Board of Directors Temple Jeremiah Northbrook Illinois 2015-Present

1. Why are you running?

I'm running for a position on the Board of Trustees of Oakton Community College as a manifestation of my commitment to community service and lifelong learning. As a physician, lifelong learning has been an integral part of my professional experience. In retirement I have shifted the focus of my educational efforts by taking multiple courses at the Oakton Community College. Through this exposure, I have come to know the broad pathways available at the college. These include providing a gateway to a continued higher education experience, a training ground for career development, and a strong program to support lifelong learning.

2. What are your qualifications?

As is evident from the above I have served as President of both the Illinois State Medical Society and the Chicago Medical Society. In addition I served as Chairman of the Board of the Illinois State Medical Society. In a complex medical environment through these positions and others, I have devoted years to protecting the ability of physicians to give their best effort on behalf of the patients of Illinois.

Holding these offices has taught me the importance of prudent budgetary management while continuing to advocate for the best interest of the community and the institution. Practicing fiscal responsibility is essential to ensure the overall success of the college and the students. I believe my own leadership experience will help provide input to the Board of Trustees to

ensure the students are provided with the best educational experience while maintaining as reasonable a tuition level as possible.

3. What do you hope to accomplish during your tenure on the board?

The mission, vision and values of Oakton Community College will remain the foundation from which all decisions will be made. The college must continually evaluate itself to ensure it is providing a leading edge exposure to its students in order to prepare them for their next step following the Oakton experience. In order to achieve this goal an outstanding faculty is necessary. As a trustee, I will support all efforts to ensure the Oakton Community College can recruit and retain the best faculty to assist the students in their educational endeavors.