

# Carl Sandburg College Resolution



**Whereas...** the Carl Sandburg College Mission Statement reads as follows: *“to provide accessible, quality education in a caring environment by keeping the learner’s needs at the center of decision making and by working in partnership with communities of the College district.”*; and

**Whereas...** the Carl Sandburg College Board of Trustees believe co-curricular and extra-curricular activities are an integral part of the educational process, that the College must have a commitment to every stakeholder in the district and that the College is vital in accommodating economic development; and

**Whereas...** Carl Sandburg College pledges to ensure an effective delivery of services throughout its entire district; and

**Whereas...** Carl Sandburg College is committed to fulfilling its’ mission and beliefs through the use of cooperative alliances; and

**Whereas...** Hancock County residents now provide 17 ½ % of the local property tax revenue provided to Carl Sandburg College second only to Knox County in the College’s ten (10) county (3,000 sq. mile) district; and

**Whereas...** the Charger Community Center would provide quality facilities to the Hancock County Community for athletic and performing arts, as well as a fitness center; and

**Whereas...** the City of Carthage has now completed establishment of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District for the purpose of promoting private and public investments; and

**Whereas...** the Prairieland Investment Group has completed the purchase of the property formerly known as the Carthage College campus to house its’ growing corporate operations and has confirmed its willingness to donate the Bryan Auditorium to Carl Sandburg College for the purpose of accommodating the creation and operation of the Charger Community Center; and

**Whereas...** Carl Sandburg College has formulated a growing contingent of community based organizations and partners interested in and willing to support a successful Charger Community Center project; and

**Whereas...** each partner hereby acknowledges the value of the Charger Community Center to the future of their organization and interests.

**Now, therefore,** be it resolved that Carl Sandburg College hereby pledges itself to support those efforts being coordinated by Carl Sandburg College to make the Charger Community Center a reality; and

**...Be it further resolved,** that Carl Sandburg College hereby expresses its willingness to enter into negotiations to determine the level of financial resources it would contribute to the Charger Community Center, in an amount consistent with our envisioned use of this facility.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of October 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John T. Huston".

Mr. John T. Huston, Chairperson  
Board of Trustees