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Vincent E. Lockett (pictured left) was sworn in as South Suburban College Trustee at a special meeting before the December 9 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

South Suburban College Appoints New Trustee Vincent Lockett, Elects Trustee Vivian Payne as Vice-Chair

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL—South Suburban College (SSC) recently held a special meeting before its Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on December 9 to appoint new Trustee Vincent E. Lockett to the board. Trustee Lockett will fill the vacancy created by the recent passing of longtime Trustee and Vice-Chair, John Daly. Lockett, of Country Club Hills, took his oath of office before participating in the regular meeting where Trustee Vivian Payne, of Lansing, was elected to serve as the new Vice-Chair to the board.

"I am looking forward to serving the Southland community in this new role and bringing attention to the all of the educational pathways this outstanding community college has to offer," said Lockett. "I would like to thank Chairman Zuccarelli and the Board for providing me with this new opportunity to make a positive impact."

Throughout his career, Lockett actively supported economic development, public safety, and education. In addition to being elected alderman of Country Club Hills Ward 2 for six consecutive terms since 2005, Lockett currently serves as Chairman of the Finance Committee and Insurance, Risk and Personnel Committee in his community. He has also served as Chairman of the Planning, Zoning and Development Committee while maintaining membership on the Parks and Recreation and Public Works committees, respectively.

For the past 12 years, Lockett has been the owner and CEO of GCS Cleaning and Environmental Services. He has also worked in the automotive finance and mortgage industries for over 25 years. Lockett has four children and is a strong advocate for mentoring the youth. He currently sponsors the Country Club Hills Cougars, Hazel Crest Mustangs, Midwest Hawks, Junior Olympics and Special Olympics.

South Suburban College is a community college located in South Holland, Illinois, and with an extension site in Oak Forest serving 21 communities including parts of the Chicago Southland and northwest Indiana. SSC provides a variety of support services to its students in addition to a wide range of affordable academic pathways. For more information about all of SSC's programs, admissions and registration, please visit www.ssc.edu or contact the Admissions Office at (708) 210-5718. Spring classes begin Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

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