

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BI-MONTHLY MEETING
Southwestern Community College

July 25, 2023 – SCC Jackson Campus

Attending:

Trustees

Howard Allman	Beth Lofquist
Sue Bartlett	Cory McCall
Jeff Cloer	Gerald McKinney
Vance Davidson	Brett Rogers
Ken Henke	Gary Shields
Luke D. Hyde	Betty Waldroop

College Staff

Don Tomas
Thom Brooks
Nan Coulter
Savannah DeHart
Lisa Kim Fisher
Tyler Goode

Absent

Mark Jones

Guests

Amanda Melniczek, Jeriel Rolle

The Board of Trustees of Southwestern Community College (SCC) met for their bi-monthly meeting on July 25, 2023 in the Charles Siler Slagle Board Room of the Conrad G. Burrell Building on the Jackson campus. A quorum was present.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Vance Davidson called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m. and read the Conflict of Interest Statement. A quorum was present for the meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Jeff Cloer reported to the Board from the Nominating Committee, which met on July 17, 2023. The Committee proposed the following Board officer candidates: Luke D. Hyde for Chair, Beth Lofquist for Vice Chair, and Don Tomas for Secretary. Mr. Davidson asked for nominations from the floor, and none were forthcoming. Mr. McCall made a motion to elect the proposed candidates to their prospective positions, which was seconded by Ms. Bartlett and passed unanimously.

PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

Mr. Davidson asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meetings of May 24, 2022 and May 23, 2023. Mr. Hyde made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Mr. Cloer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Tomas introduced Amanda Melniczek and Jeriel Rolle, 2 doctoral students he is mentoring through NCSU, who are virtually attending the bi-monthly Board meeting.

Dr. Tomas announced that the two new Trustees, Howard Allman and Betty Waldroop.

Dr. Tomas reported that he will be attending the NCACCP Summer meeting July 26-28 in Greenville, NC.

Dr. Tomas informed the Committee that the NCGA House and Senate are still working on the budget.

CURRICULUM AND STUDENT SERVICES

Curriculum and Student Services Committee Chair Beth Lofquist asked Dr. Thom Brooks, Executive Vice President for Instruction and Student Services, to report to the Board.

Dr. Brooks reported on the Spring 2023 Workforce Continuing Education enrollment and Summer 2023 Curriculum enrollment.

There were no Action Items to discuss.

FINANCE AND CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT

Finance and Campus Improvement Committee Chairman Cory McCall asked Vice President for Financial and Administrative Services Lisa Kim Fisher to give a report on Local Revenue Analysis and State Budget Expenditures.

Under Action Items, Ms. Fisher presented the Budget Allocations and Transfers and Policy 4.02.09 – Paid Parental Leave for review and discussion. Following review and discussion, Mr. Cloer made a motion to approve the Budget Allocations and Transfers as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Hyde and passed unanimously.

Also under Action Items, Ms. Fisher presented Policy 4.02.09 – Paid Parental Leave for review and discussion. Following review and discussion, Mr. Hyde made a motion to approve the Budget Allocations and Transfers as presented, which was seconded by Dr. Lofquist and passed unanimously.

Under Facilities and Operations, Dr. Tomas gave an update on the Firing Range, the Fire Rescue Training Facility, and the Groves Center Expansion plans.

Under Action Items, Dr. Tomas presented a 3-1 Form for the Dental Assisting renovation of Founders Hall. Following review and discussion, Mr. McKinney made a motion to approve the 3-1 Form, which was seconded by Mr. Hyde and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman Davidson informed the Board that the NCACCT Leadership Seminar will be held in Wilmington August 20 through September 1. Dr. Tomas will be attending, along with Mr. Hyde, Mr. Allman, Mr. McCall, Mr. Rogers, and Ms. Waldroop.

Under Action Items, Chairman Davidson presented the full-time employee list and part-time employee list for review and approval, as well as a correction to the Board of Trustees Bylaws and Constitution. Mr. Hyde made a motion to approve the employee lists and correction to the Bylaws and Constitution as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Cloer and passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Under Other Business, Savannah DeHart, Director of Institutional Research and Planning, gave a report to the Board on Performance Measures reported by the NCCCS.

Dr. Tomas announced the Fall Kick-Off for the 2023 Fall semester will be held on August 8, 2023, and the Board is invited to attend. Ms. Coulter will send out more information to the Board.

The Board agreed to hold the September 26, 2023 meeting at the Groves Center in Franklin.

With no other business before the Board, Mr. Hyde made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Cloer and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Luke D. Hyde, Chairman
Board of Trustees

Don Tomas, Secretary
Board of Trustees