

Meeting Minutes of the **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



SOUTHERN STATE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MARCH 16-17, 2021 BOARD RETREAT

The Southern State Community College Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, March 16 and Wednesday, March 17, 2021 remotely via Zoom, for their annual Board retreat.

At 3:01 p.m. on March 16, 2021, Chair Prickett called the meeting to order. Roll Call was as follows:

Present:

Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Rachel Cummings
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens

Absent:

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair

21.12

Consideration of Agenda

Trustee Cummings moved and Trustee O'Hara seconded that the March 16, 2021 agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, acceptance of March 16, 2021 agenda:

Trustee Rachel Cummings
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Lynn Stevens
Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.13

OACC Advocacy Efforts and Legislative Update

President Boys introduced Mr. Jack Hershey, President of Ohio Association of Community

Colleges (OACC) for a report on their advocacy efforts and happenings at the state level. Mr. Hershey gave an overview of the projected vs. actual SSI cuts in 2020, highlights of the biennium budget, restoration of cuts in FY21, SSI projections for FY22 and FY23 and a review of the “Top 5” community college budget requests (HB110) as introduced. He also answered questions from the Board regarding FAFSA and gainful employment. President Boys expressed his appreciation for Mr. Hershey’s efforts at a state and national level, as well as he and Mr. Tom Walsh’s knowledge and work on behalf of Ohio’s community colleges.

21.14

Trustee Kyle Rudduck joined the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

SSCC Update with State Legislators

Ohio legislators, Representative Brian Baldrige, Representative Mark Johnson and Senator Bob Peterson joined the Board for an update on happenings at the College in the past year. President Boys expressed his appreciation for their efforts during such challenging times, highlighting allowing the Board to meet via Zoom, and approving the capital bill request. His update also included comparing proposed SSI reductions and enrollment decline predictions to the actual figures. The legislators all commended the SSCC team for their work during the past year.

21.15

Executive Session

At 4:17 p.m., Trustee Rudduck moved and Trustee Boedeker seconded that the Board move into executive session for the purpose of discussing the purchase or sale of property. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, approval of moving into executive session:

Trustee Tracy O’Hara

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair

Trustee Lynn Stevens

Trustee Doug Boedeker

Trustee Rachel Cummings

Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

Trustee Newman stepped way from the meeting for a few minutes, but later joined for the remainder of the executive session.

21.16

The Board returned to regular session at 4:57 p.m., following a motion by Trustee O'Hara and a second by Trustee Boedeker. All were in favor.

Recess

At 4:58 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, Trustee Rudduck moved and Trustee Newman seconded that meeting be recessed. All were in favor.

21.17

Reconvene

At 9:02 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2021, Chair Prickett called the meeting to order and reconvened. Roll Call was as follows:

Present:

Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair
Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens

Absent:

Trustee Rachel Cumming

21.18

Consideration of Agenda

Trustee Stevens moved and Trustee O'Hara seconded that the March 17, 2021 agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, acceptance of March 17, 2021 agenda:

Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Rudduck, Vice Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens

Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.19

Consideration of Minutes

Trustee Rudduck moved and Trustee Boedeker seconded that the Board accept the January 20 minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, acceptance of January 20 Minutes:

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens
Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.20

Monitoring Confirmation

President's Report

President Boys expressed his appreciation to the Board, to Dr. Nicole Roades and his executive team for the opportunity to take a much-needed sabbatical to recharge. He thanked Susan Morris and the Nursing department faculty and students for their assistance in the community with vaccination deployment. With special reports later in the meeting, he had nothing to add to the written report.

21.21

Financial Reports

Mr. Dan Schall had no additional comments regarding the January financial reports, and shared some screenshots and answered questions about the February reports and annual comparisons. Given his items on the agenda later in the meeting regarding the financial plan and federal funding, he had nothing to add to the written reports.

21.22

Trustee O'Hara moved and Trustee Stevens seconded to approve the March President's Report and the January and February Financial Reports. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, approval of Reports:

Trustee Lynn Stevens

Trustee Doug Boedeker

Trustee Jeff Newman

Trustee Tracy O'Hara

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair

Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.23

Special Reports

Academic Affairs

Dr. Nicole Roades thanked all faculty and staff for their flexibility and the valuable things they have learned during the past year of COVID-adjustments. She highlighted various opportunities for training sessions in media and technology, teaching and web accessibility, with special thanks to Angel Mootispaw, Cathy Zile and Tyler Bick. She also highlighted the investments that have been made in Zoom rooms, course evaluation kits and human capital, specifically Sam Ginn and Tracy Adkins for Instructional Design Support. She shared the online outcomes that were accelerated by the pandemic, plans for the fall semester and details of what has been accomplished through recent grants awarded to the College.

Information Technology and Facilities

In the area of information technology, Mr. Brian Rice shared how many platforms have been moved to the cloud and the need for more space and bandwidth, replacing outdated technology and the College's core network. He discussed increasing capacity, the coming addition of a video security system, and appreciation for the work of the technology committee. In addition to his team, he expressed appreciation to Becca Griffith, Angel Mootispaw and Meg Storrs. In the area of facilities, Mr. Rice gave an update on the upcoming restroom renovation project at Central campus, replacing the front doors, and upcoming furniture selection meeting for the Health Science Center, as well as audio/visual needs in those classrooms and wiring for patient simulators.

Human Resources

Mrs. Mindy Markey-Grabill updated the Board on the timeline for health insurance

renewals/bidding. She noted that all employees are currently in the process of completing health questionnaires, required by carriers before offering a bid. Market bids will be accepted April 1-15, and the insurance committee is planning to have a proposal for the Board to review and take action on at the May 7 meeting.

COVID-19

Mrs. Susan Morris, SSCC's COVID-19 Coordinator, gave an update on assisting the local health departments, team efforts resulting in no school closures due to COVID, the Healthy CONNECT campaign, the social media team, vaccine deployment assistance, PTK's College Project and physical adjustments on campus. She also highlighted the Health Ambassador CONNECT Campaign, PTK's Honors in Action project making masks, and future vaccine clinics.

Student Affairs

Mr. James Bland shared details of recent federal funding, comparing use of CRRSAA funds to CARES Act funds. He shared that the first round of CRRSAA funds (\$500) would go to Pell-eligible students, demonstrating that the College is making the most needy students a priority, and opening the online application for additional students toward the end of March. He announced that the OACC Equity Champions representing SSCC would be Molly Clevenger and Cindy Bloom, and also highlighted the hiring of Suzanne Harmon as the new Financial Aid Director, replacing Linda Myers upon her retirement on June 1. He also reported on recent PTK accomplishments, including REACH awards, Alyssa Mays being announced as a 2021 Coca-Cola Silver Scholar, Brock Morris and Christian Weseloh as Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise, and ended with commending Susan Morris for doing an outstanding job as PTK advisor and taking advantage of so many opportunities to encourage our students to be involved and to excel.

Graduation

Robin Tholen updated the Board on plans for the "Cruise-In Commencement" celebration on May 7, the professional video for graduates, and sought any input from the Board members for ideas and suggestions for their part of the parade.

21.24

Health Science Renovation Update

Mr. Andy Balow, with App Architecture, presented the Board with an update regarding the Health Science Center renovation project. He compared the initial presentation, given at the

Board retreat in March 2019 to the final layout, with photos of the progress and projected completion date of July 2021.

21.25

Discussion of Financial Plan and Federal Funding

Mr. Dan Schall shared information regarding Moody's credit rating, cashflow, and showed a template of the model/format for the financial plan for the future. Board members and faculty commented on approval of the format and transparency. He also shared an overview of the CARES and CRRSAA funds, regarding funds that were awarded, spent and remaining.

21.26

Consideration of Section 3.4 Revision of Policy & Information Manual

SSCC recently reached out to our Attorney General's office to review our Policy & Information Manual, regarding recently enacted free speech legislation. They had a suggestion to revise one sentence in Section 3.4 (B) regarding prohibited conduct and the area of harassment. Trustee Rudduck moved and Trustee Boedeker seconded to approve the revision in Section 3.4 of the Policy & Information Manual, as presented. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, approval of PIM revision:

Trustee Doug Boedeker

Trustee Jeff Newman

Trustee Tracy O'Hara

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair

Trustee Lynn Stevens

Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.27

Resolution for Local Administration of FY21-22 Capital Facilities Projects Under \$4 Million

ORC Section 3345.50 requires action on the part of colleges and universities when an institution plans to locally administer capital projects, submitting documents to the Ohio Department of Higher Education. As such, Trustee O'Hara moved and Trustee Rudduck seconded to approve

that the FY21-22 capital facilities projects under \$4 million be locally administered, as presented in the following resolution:

SOUTHERN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 17, 2021

Corporate Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board has notified the Ohio Department of Higher Education of their intent to locally administer capital projects as authorized by Section 3345.50 of the Revised Code; And WHEREAS those capital facilities projects receiving less than \$4 million in state capital funds appropriated by the General Assembly in SB 310 to be locally administered as authorized by Section 3345.50 of the Revised Code are as follows;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees intends to comply with the guidelines established in accordance with Section 153.16 of the Revised Code, and will submit this resolution to the Ohio Department of Higher Education upon approval.

Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, approval of resolution:

Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Tracy O'Hara
Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens
Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

21.28

Consideration of Meeting Time Change for May 7, 2021

In light of the amended format and events on the evening of graduation, Trustee Newman moved and Trustee O'Hara seconded to approve that the meeting time for the May 7, 2021 Board meeting be changed to 3:30 p.m., to be followed by the 5:00 p.m. Cruise-In Commencement celebration. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yes, approval of resolution:

Trustee Tracy O'Hara

Trustee Kyle Rudduck, Vice Chair
Trustee Lynn Stevens
Trustee Doug Boedeker
Trustee Jeff Newman
Trustee Brian Prickett, Chair

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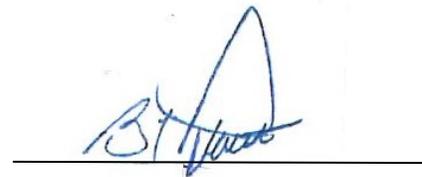
Adjournment

At 11:27 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2021, Trustee Boedeker moved and Trustee Stevens seconded that meeting be adjourned. All were in favor.

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President



Chairman



Secretary