

President's Report to the **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



SOUTHERN STATE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

APRIL 2020 | DR. KEVIN BOYS, PRESIDENT

Board Meeting Via Zoom

The passage of HB 197 temporarily permits public boards to conduct meetings electronically. Given the “Stay at Home” order and urgent business that requires Board action, we will be conducting our meeting via Zoom technology. Information about accessing the meeting will be provided to you, and to the public as well. For required individual roll call votes, Robin will be providing you with a PIN, so when she calls your name, you will simply say that PIN and your vote of yes, no, or abstain. She plans to go over this with you individually prior to the meeting.

Consent Agenda

We have tried to streamline this meeting as much as possible given the electronic nature, so the Chair and I are including a consent agenda to be provided after which one vote will be cast to approve the entire consent agenda. The items included are below. Please review packet provided for the cancelled March meeting and this packet for these reports. According to Robert's Rules, if any board member would like to pull an item from the consent agenda, you may do so. If that is the case, it would be beneficial to let Robin know in advance since the roll call PINS need to be organized in advance. Items on the consent agenda:

- a) Consideration of Minutes: January 15, 2020
- b) Confirmation of Monitoring Reports: President's Reports and Financial Reports
- c) Consideration of approval of Revised Budget for FY20
- d) Consideration of \$5 per credit hour tuition increase effective Fall 2020 semester
- e) Consideration of approval of academic calendar revision to observe Veteran's Day on the state's appointed date.

Health Insurance Consortium and SSCC Insurance Committee Recommendation

The Board will recall the presentation that our health insurance consultant, HORAN, provided at our March 2019 retreat. Since Mr. Newman joined the Board since that time, I arranged for

Valerie Bogdan-Powers from Horan to conduct a webinar with him last week. I've included the **PowerPoint** of that presentation in your packet to refresh your memory. There is a lot of detail. In addition to considering the HEALTH consortium, Horan also put our insurance plan out for renewal rates from our current provider, Medical Mutual of Ohio, and several other providers. This detail is outlined in an enclosed document from Horan labeled **Southern State Community College Renewal, March 30, 2020**.

Finally, also included in the packet is a **memo** from the College's Insurance Committee recommending that the College join the HEALTH insurance consortium along with Cincinnati State, Clark State, Edison State, and Shawnee State. This consortium would rest within the much larger JHP consortium. The memo speaks to the committee's rationale for making this recommendation. As you will see from the enclosed information, the first-year cost associated with this recommendation is considerably higher than the lowest rate quote from Anthem. Given the importance of this decision, both short-term and long-term, I would urge you to carefully review the enclosed information, and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact our consultants at HORAN, Valerie Bogdan-Powers at (513) 549-8344 or Julie Tople, at (513) 518-8880.

Health Science Renovation

Mr. Buck is finalizing the process of evaluating all bids for the Health Science Renovation project at Central Campus and should be ready for your consideration of a recommendation to award that construction bid at the meeting.

Challenging Days

These are certainly challenging days for all of us. I hope each of you is managing as well as possible under these circumstances in both your livelihoods and your families. I am so appreciative of your service to the Board in the midst of all this. Our meeting won't be the same, but hopefully you will get all the information you need beforehand so you are adequately informed. If there is anything in particular you would like me to include in my special report on our response to the COVID-19 outbreak, please let me know. If you have any questions about the agenda or would like to talk through anything, please feel free to give me a call on my cell.