

MINUTES
District Board of Trustees
Tallahassee Community College
1528 Surgeons Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32308
Monday, February 19, 2018
2:30 pm - Business Meeting

The February 2018 District Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Chair Kilpatrick at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Members Present: Chair Kilpatrick, Trustees Callaway, Lamb, Moore, Pople and Vaughn
Absent: Trustee Messersmith
Via phone: None

Others Present: President Murdaugh, Lenda Kling, Feleccia Moore-Davis, Steve Liner, Pat Manning, Carmy Greenwood, Denise Spivey, Kayla Nelson, Martin Balinsky, Jen Robinson, Megan McKee, Rick Murgo, Bret Hammond, Candice Grause, Rhonda MacLeod, Jarrett Phipps, Lori Prudom, Mike Robeck, Dustin Frost, Lee Kitchen, Susanne Wood, Al Moran, Dana Peck, E.E. Eunice, Craig Knox, Bobby Jones, Anthony Jones, Nyla Davis, Stephen Dunnivant, Renae Tolson, Sheri Rowland, Barbara Wills, Brenda Reid, John Pekins, Ginny Wagner, Don Herr, Heather Mitchell, Kim Moore, Lei Wang, Jessica Griffin, Bob Ballard, Gloria Mitchell, Jeff Etheridge, Richard Moore, Terrie Ard, Calandra Stringer, Julia Steiner, Elizabeth Pulliam, Bob Lutz, Sue Bickford, Bill Spiers, Ivan Johnson, Eileen Durant, Jamie Cook, Alice Maxwell, Justin Adams, Chuck White, John Elam, Rick Frazier, Monique Elkworth, Santiago Molina, and Ya Fang Wang.

COMMENTS

Board Chair – Chair Kilpatrick asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. He recognized the amount of work required and thanked those involved with the African-American History Calendar, which highlighted veterans this year.

Board Members – Trustee Callaway congratulated everyone involved with planning the calendar unveiling and the Florida Public Safety Institute (FPSI) Annual Black History Breakfast. Trustee Lamb complimented Director Spiers on the information he shared with our legislators.

Trustee Moore referenced the recent south Florida shooting, thanking our Campus Police and others that work on our security plan and keep us safe. Trustee Vaughn said he thought the D.C. trip to meet with our delegation was very productive. Trustee Pople said President Murdaugh does a great job of telling our story and it is apparent we are competing for dollars, indicating there is a lot of focus on workforce development.

President – President Murdaugh said we are fortunate that our Trustees take time to attend the National Legislative Summit for the Association of Community College Trustees. He shared our delegation are very impressed to have our Trustees in the meetings. He indicated having Director Spiers there to speak about various financial aid proposals was wonderful, stating many staff asked Director Spiers for his business card and we encouraged them to use him as a resource.

He thanked the Board for acknowledging the role and activities to try to protect and make sure our students are safe – referencing the Safety and Security Committee and the efforts of the Chief, Student Affairs, and faculty. He indicated some faculty members told him about class changes they made that day so they could use it as a teaching moment.

President Murdaugh recognized Dean Solomon to welcome Trustees to the Ghazvini Center for Healthcare Education. Dean Solomon indicated the nursing program was recently recognized as number twelve (12) out of one hundred forty-four (144) in the State of Florida. She recognized new members of the Healthcare staff and provided program overviews of the past year. Chair Kilpatrick thanked her for the information and for allowing us to disrupt their facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Kilpatrick asked if there were any comments and requested a motion to approve the January 16, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: Trustee Lamb **SECOND:** Trustee Moore
Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AND NEWS ITEMS

Director Maxwell displayed a front page article in the *Tallahassee Democrat* on one of our truck driving school graduates. She indicated an article ran in the *Indianapolis Star* about one of our nursing graduates and was later picked up by other newspapers. She introduced clips on the African-American History Calendar unveiling, Nursing School ranking, FPSI African-American breakfast, Southern Shakespeare's *A Town Divided*, the TCC Spark! Freeman event, and a [TCC Skinny Nursing overview](#).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PRESENTATIONS

VP Mitchell recognized Steve Linder, Rotary Club of Tallahassee, who provided a \$10,000 endowed scholarship for a degree or workforce program. Mr. Linder shared this was established, in honor of Leon Gilchrist, for a resident in a Habitat for Humanity home. VP Mitchell indicated that Mr. Gilchrist was the first African-American President of a Rotary Club in Tallahassee.

VP Mitchell shared we have many different programs with Westminster Oaks and recognized Shannon Sauls for their \$15,000 sponsorship of the Cleaver & Cork Session with Chef Amanda Freitag. Ms. Sauls shared the sponsorship is from their residents and that many TCC nursing program students work at their medical facility.

VP Mitchell recognized Terrie Ard and Richard Moore, Moore Communications Group, for a \$35,000 sponsorship of the Cleaver & Cork event; indicating this year it will renovate two (2) classrooms. Ms. Ard said it is an honor to partner with TCC in bringing innovation and renovation to the students. She recognized VP Mitchell for championing to bring every dollar into the institution.

VP Moore provided some background information on the truck driving program developed to meet employer needs, introducing a video of three (3) successful students. She stated the program is not available for financial aid, but thanks to so many they have funds available for

Construction Manager Agreement – Student Union Exterior Envelope Improvements (Action)

Chair Kilpatrick asked if there were any questions, with none received.

This request is that the Board approve the attached Agreement between the District Board of Trustees of Tallahassee Community College and Construction Manager for Certain Projects.

MOTION: Trustee Vaughn

SECOND: Trustee Callaway

Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Kilpatrick stated we have six (6) speakers, with each limited to three (3) minutes and a total time of thirty (30) minutes.

Retired faculty Dana Peck, John Pekins, Lee Kitchen and faculty members Bob Lutz and Elizabeth Pulliam spoke in support of faculty union negotiations, with faculty member Julia Steiner reading a letter also in support from a former faculty member. Lee Kitchen thanked President Murdaugh for his vision, increasing diversity and being a good CEO.

WORKSHOP

Chair Kilpatrick indicated that in lieu of a workshop, the Board will go into Executive Session.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

None

NEXT MEETING DATE

March 19, 2018

Location: **Florida Public Safety Institute**

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:51 p.m.

Minutes approved at the regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees on March 19, 2018.

Jonathan Kilpatrick
Chair

Jim Murdaugh, Ph.D.
President