

# COLUMBUS STATE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Friday, October 16, 2020

**Virtual Meeting – Hosted on Microsoft Teams**

**8:00 a.m.**

### CALL TO ORDER:

The Columbus State Community College Board of Trustees meeting was held on Friday, October 16, 2020, virtually on Microsoft Teams. The meeting was called to order by Chair R. Anthony Joseph at 8:09 a.m.

### ROLL CALL:

Present: R. Anthony Joseph, Chairperson  
Dr. Richard D. Rosen, Vice- Chairperson  
Robert P. Restrepo, Jr., Immediate – Past Chair  
Corrine M. Burger  
James R. Fowler  
Stephanie Green  
Rick Ritzler

### CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE:

President Harrison advised that the record should show that notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with provisions of Section §121.22(F) of the Ohio Revised Code.

### OPENING REMARKS FROM CHAIR JOSEPH:

Chair Joseph congratulated the College on celebrating the thirtieth year of Taste the Future. In its thirtieth year, Taste the Future was an all-virtual event. Chair Joseph shared that the event showcased the College's innovation, collaboration and community partnership.

Chair Joseph presented a brief summary of the Board's annual evaluation of President Harrison's performance for the 2019-2020 academic year. Chair Joseph's remarks included:

The Board of Trustees continues to have great confidence in Dr. Harrison's leadership and considers the College fortunate to have him serve as President, particularly during these uniquely challenging times. It's my pleasure, on behalf of the Trustees, to direct the College to award Dr.

DAVID T. HARRISON Ph.D. PRESIDENT

Harrison the maximum annual merit increase and incentive compensation per college policy and his contract.

Dr. Harrison is a well-regarded ambassador for the College and highly effective relationship builder in the business and academic communities. He has successfully created and maintains a collaborative, committed and caring leadership team culture that strives for excellence. In the past year, the College's academic profile and recognition in achieving Student Success has grown as reflected in both the College's performance data and the receipt of national awards. Each of the Mitchell Hall opening, launch of the Mid-Ohio Market, the creation of the Columbus State Community Partners and the graduation of the largest class ever, are worthy of being a leading headline of progress in accordance with the College's Strategic Plan. Collectively these and other achievements resulted from thoughtful collaboration, planning, analysis and operational execution by the College's leadership team under Dr. Harrison's direction.

The Trustees commend Dr. Harrison for the College's overall response and adaptation to the pandemic, with Student Success as the central guiding principle. The College experienced increased enrollment over the summer and successfully fulfilled its important role as a reliable trusted partner in workforce development and education despite the challenges and uncertainty.

And finally, the historic success of the first bond measure for the College to appear before Franklin County voters, in which Dr. Harrison played an important role during his personal time supporting with the Issue 21 Campaign, offers the possibility of transformative growth in the College.

Challenges identified by the Trustees include leadership turnover, incomplete Mitchell Hall fund raising for and faculty engagement and satisfaction. There are opportunities to further strengthen the leadership team, and ensure capacity for project management across a range of high-profile projects.

Looking ahead, the Trustees will support Dr. Harrison in providing strategic attention to the new Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the digital experience for students, the Regional Learning Centers and Community Partners.

### **OPENING REMARKS FROM PRESIDENT HARRISON:**

President Harrison thanked Chair Joseph, the entire Board of Trustees, his Cabinet and the faculty.

He also congratulated and introduced the faculty collectively who were receiving their first tenure and promotion:

- Jeremy Banta, Engineering & Transportation Technologies
- Kendra Barker-Poirier, Allied Health Professions
- Abbey Billups, Nursing

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- Ruey Bruce, Biological & Physical Sciences
- Rochelle Burton, Nursing
- Angela Howard, Biological & Physical Sciences
- Andrew Kerr, Mathematics
- Lawrence McWherter, Information Systems Technology
- Robert Platt, Information Systems Technology
- Ericka Purtee, Nursing
- Sean O’Neill, Mathematics
- Jill Ritchey, Nursing
- Alison Romanowski, Nursing
- Diane Souza, Sport & Exercise Studies and Hospitality Programs
- Elycia Taylor, Languages and Communication
- Jessica Wohlgamuth-Benedum, Biological & Physical Sciences

The Board of Trustees officially voted on the faculty Tenure and Promotion at the May 2020 Board meeting.

President Harrison also acknowledged the ten retirees who are up for the awarding of Emeritus Status.

- Dr. Garry Fourman, Chair, Modern Languages
- Angelo Frole, Dean, Business, Engineering and Technologies
- Richard Greely, Assistant Professor, Massage Therapy
- Dr. Sue Lape, Professor, English
- Tina Perry, Professor, Interpreting Education
- Dr. Gary Piggrem, Chairperson, Psychology and Education
- Rita Rice, Professor, English
- Jackie Teny-Miller, Professor, Human Services
- Cecil Williams, Facilities Support I, Facilities Management
- Dr. Peggy Williams, Assistant Professor, Veterinary

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Member Fowler moved,** Member Ritzler seconded, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole held on Friday, September 18, 2020, be approved, as presented.

A vote was taken which resulted in:

AYES: Members Joseph, Rosen, Restrepo, Burger, Fowler, Green, Ritzler

NAYS: None

**AWARDING OF EMERITUS STATUS:**

President Harrison reviewed the qualifications for Emeritus Status. The following retirees were presented to the Board for approval of Emeritus Status:

- Dr. Garry Fourman, Chair, Modern Languages
- Angelo Frole, Dean, Business, Engineering and Technologies
- Richard Greely, Assistant Professor, Massage Therapy
- Dr. Sue Lape, Professor, English
- Tina Perry, Professor, Interpreting Education
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**Member Green moved**, Member Rosen seconded, that the Board of Trustees grants Emeritus Status to Dr. Garry Fourman, Angelo Frole, Assistant Professor Richard Greely, Dr. Sue Lape, Professor Tina Perry, Dr. Gary Piggrem, Professor Rita Rice, Professor Jackie Teny-Miller, Cecil Williams, and Dr. Peggy Williams.

A vote was taken which resulted in:

AYES: Members Joseph, Rosen, Restrepo, Burger, Fowler, Green, Ritzler

NAYS: None

**RESCIND POLICY 7-14 & PROCEDURE 7-14 (E) FELONY REPORTING:**

Discussion was held at the Committee of the Whole, no further discussion was held.

**Member Green moved**, Member Burger, seconded, that the Board of Trustees vote to approve the rescinding of Policy 7-14 and the associated Procedure 7-14 (E).

A vote was taken that resulted in:

AYES: Members Joseph, Rosen, Restrepo, Burger, Fowler, Green, Ritzler

NAYS: None

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE TWO MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2020:**

Details of the financial statements for the two months ended August 31, 2020, were discussed at the Committee of the Whole, no further discussion was held.

**Member Fowler moved**, Member Burger seconded, that the Board of Trustees approves the Financial Statements as of and for the two months ended August 31, 2020, as presented.

A vote was taken which resulted in:

AYES: Members Joseph, Rosen, Restrepo, Burger, Fowler, Green, Ritzler

NAYS: None

**PERSONNEL INFORMATION ITEMS:**

The Personnel Information Items are presented to the Board for informational purposes only.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

- **Since we last met 2020**
  - February – Columbus State was honored as the inaugural community college recipient of the Barefoot & Gardner Award in recognition of the evidence-based attainment of equitable outcomes, at scale, in undergraduate education.
  - March 11– Governor suspends on-campus classes for colleges and universities.
  - March 16 – Extended spring break for faculty to prepare coursework
  - March 16 [late] – Election postponed.
  - April 14 – Begin distribution of Chromebooks and mobile hotspots through the Mid-Ohio Market.
  - April 28 – Issue 21 approved by Franklin County voters.
  - May 5 – Spring 2020 Graduation, with no ceremony.
  - May 25 – Summer semester begins.
  - Early June – The College’s African American ERG and others lead campus discussions on racial inequities.
  - June 19 – Columbus Statue removed.
  - June 26 – Board of Trustees approves the establishment of the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
  - June 30 – Success Bridge Program is launched. A partnership with CMHA, the Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio, the Community Shelter Board, and the Homeless Families Foundation.

- July 28 – One of 8 community colleges nationally selected to participate in the College Success for Single Mothers pilot.
  - August 31 – Autumn semester begins.
  - October 13 – Taste the Future Reimagined.
  - October 15 – First anniversary of the opening of the Mid-Ohio Market at Columbus State.
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- **Strategic Advancements in public-private partnerships**  
The American Electric Power Foundation renewed their support of the Credit Counts program for an additional five years and \$2.5 million.
  - **Taste the Future Reimagined**  
For the first time in thirty years Taste the Future was held in a virtual setting. The Columbus State Foundation’s innovative approach made the first-time-virtual event a success. Over \$165,000 was raised.
  - **FY20 Efficiency Report**  
Ms. Kelly Weir, Associate Vice President, Resource Planning & Analysis, shared the history, requirements, highlights and next steps as it relates to the FY20 Efficiency Report. She will provide an in-depth review of the report at the November 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting.
  - **Enrollment Report**  
Mr. Allen Kraus, Vice President, Enrollment Management Student Services and Marketing and Communication, provided an in-depth review of the following as it relates to enrollment:
    - Fall '20 enrollment results
    - Summer '20 enrollment results
    - Three-year demographic trends
    - Enrollment review by sector
    - Marketing, recruitment and retention work

In closing, Mr. Kraus shared two of the College’s current television media assets with the Board.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

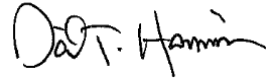
There were no items to bring before the Board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There were no items to bring before the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further items to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 A.M.



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Dr. David T. Harrison  
Secretary, Board of Trustees