

COLUMBUS STATE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MINUTES **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Mitchell Hall | Crane Room (2nd Floor)
May 23, 2024 | 6:00 PM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS

James Fowler, Chair
John Ammendola, Vice-Chair
Corrine M. Burger, Immediate-Past Chair
Sandy Doyle-Ahern
Traci L. Martinez, Esq.
Terri Meldrum, Esq.
Jerome Revish
Rick Ritzler
Lorina W. Wise, Esq.

CALL TO ORDER

The Columbus State Community College Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Ammendola at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

- James Fowler (Virtual)
- John Ammendola
- Corrine Burger
- Traci L. Martinez, Esq.
- Terri Meldrum, Esq.
- Jerome Revish
- Rick Ritzler
- Lorina W. Wise, Esq.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

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

OPENING REMARKS FROM VICE CHAIR AMMENDOLA

Vice Chair Ammendola noted that he was chairing the meeting on behalf of Chair Fowler, who attended the meeting virtually. Vice Chair Ammendola noted a series of exciting moments at the college, including spring commencement, opening the Center for Early Learning childcare center, and progress made on major capital projects, such as the OhioHealth Center for Health Sciences and the Automotive Technology Academic Center.

OPENING REMARKS FROM PRESIDENT HARRISON

President Harrison expressed gratitude to the Board of Trustees for their support of the College, including by attending multiple events and Board meetings. President Harrison also thanked his leadership team for their tremendous effort, thought, and management of multiple priorities with humor and professionalism. President Harrison reflected on the exciting month of events, including commencement and the featured address by Dr. Stephen Markovich, president and CEO of OhioHealth. He also shared his appreciation to Ohio Wesleyan University for an expanded partnership with Columbus State.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Martinez, Member Meldrum seconded, that the March 28, 2024, regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

A vote was taken, which resulted in:

AYES: Burger, Fowler, Martinez, and Meldrum

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Ammendola, Revish, Ritzler, and Wise

Member Ritzler moved, Member Martinez seconded, that the May 3, 2024, special meeting minutes be approved as presented.

A vote was taken, which resulted in:

AYES: Ammendola, Fowler, Meldrum, Ritzler, and Wise

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Burger, Martinez, and Revish

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice Chair Ammendola shared consent agenda items, which were discussed at the May 17, 2024,

Committee of the Whole meeting:

- Tenure Appointments and First Promotion in Rank
- Construction Manager at Risk: OhioHealth Center for Health Sciences
- Design Services Contract: Automotive Technology Academic Center
- Construction Contract: Nestor Hall Room 330 Lab
- Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025

Member Burger moved, Member Wise seconded, that the May 17, 2024, consent agenda be approved as presented.

A vote was taken, which resulted in:

AYES: Ammendola, Burger, Fowler, Martinez, Meldrum, Revish, Ritzler, and Wise

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

FY25 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

This resolution establishes the required appropriation for the Bond Retirement Fund to meet debt service obligations for fiscal year 2025. This topic was discussed at the May 17, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting but required a separate vote for reporting purposes.

Member Martinez moved, Member Meldrum seconded, that the annual appropriation resolution for fiscal year 2025 be approved as presented.

A vote was taken, which resulted in:

AYES: Ammendola, Burger, Fowler, Martinez, Meldrum, Revish, Ritzler, and Wise

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

This item was presented to the Board for information only.

PERSONNEL INFORMATION ITEMS

This item was presented to the Board for information only.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Harrison shared recent highlights with the help of members of the Columbus State leadership team:

- **Commencement:** More than 1,100 graduates from Columbus State this term, and the Spring 2024 commencement was held on May 10, 2024. President Harrison noted that all nine members of the Board of Trustees were present for the celebration.
- **Childcare center:** Columbus State opened the Center for Early Learning, a new childcare center on the downtown campus that is being operated by Child Development Council of Franklin County. He noted that the center will benefit parents at the College and in the community, as well as students in the College's Early Childhood Development & Education program. He thanked Franklin County residents, whose support of a bond issue funded the renovation of the center.
- **New Accelerated Training Center:** New Albany welcomed Columbus State's new Northeast Accelerated Training Center with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 2, 2024. The center has a particular focus providing workforce training in partnership with biotech companies such as Amgen.
- **Automotive Technology:** The College recently announced plans to expand and modernize the home of its Automotive Technology training center in Delaware Hall, using funding from the Franklin County bond issue. He said the project will help the College continue to prepare students for jobs with manufacturers and dealers.
- **Columbus State-Ohio Wesleyan partnership:** The College expanded a partnership with Ohio Wesleyan University that will make a four-year degree more accessible and affordable for area residents. The partnership includes a tuition match for up to 25 qualified Columbus State graduates, accelerated teacher licensure pathway for CCP students, and an expansion of the College's Preferred Pathways agreement that now includes 20 Ohio Wesleyan majors.
- **Central Ohio Compact summit:** Columbus State hosted about 200 education, industry and community leaders on April 17, 2024, at the Central Ohio Compact summit, which focused on emerging workforce needs in advanced manufacturing.
- **Department of Labor grant:** Columbus State was one of 16 colleges nationally that received a Strengthening Community Colleges grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. The \$5.7 million grant will support expanding the talent pipeline in engineering technology fields, including attracting more women to the field.
- **LinkUs:** On the April 3, 2024, the College hosted a visit by U.S. Rep. Joyce Beatty and Polly Trottenberg, deputy secretary of the U. S. Department of Transportation, as they

toured Columbus in support of the LinkUs initiative. City, County, COTA, MORPC and other community leaders joined the event in Mitchell Hall.

Columbus Promise

President Harrison introduced Dr. Desiree Polk-Bland, Senior Vice President of Student Success, to provide an update on Columbus Promise, which is completing the second year of a three-year pilot phase. Dr. Polk-Bland noted that Columbus Promise was designed to increase the college-going rate of Columbus City Schools graduates, support these students through to college completion, and to address regional workforce demands by expanding the talent pipeline.

Dr. Polk-Bland said Columbus Promise is working, citing success metrics compared to cohorts of Columbus City Schools graduates before the program started. The number of Columbus City Schools graduates attending Columbus State has doubled (now exceeding 750 per year), retention rates from autumn to spring have increased (to 75% in autumn 2023), and credit-hour completion is up (now at 60%). She noted that these successes are particularly impressive, since the COVID pandemic has reduced academic readiness among the Promise cohorts compared with their peers. Because of Columbus Promise, twice as many Columbus City School students are on track to earn a Columbus State credential.

Workday

President Harrison introduced Dr. Jennifer Anderson, Vice President of Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, to share an update on the College's implementation of Workday. Dr. Anderson's presentation addressed both Platform (the HR and Finance implementations) as well as planning for Workday Student. She noted that Platform is now functional, but work continues to complete elements such as reporting, security and access, business processes for Finance, rolling adoption and support and governance.

For Workday Student, the College is applying lessons learned during the Platform implementation. Among the differences in approach, Columbus State has directly tied key transformational objectives to the Student implementation, adjusted the governance structure, created more backfill for staff and utilized Workday as the primary implementation partner. The Student project is currently on track for a timely, quality implementation within scope and budget.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

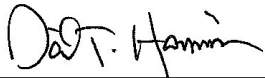
No public participation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



David T. Harrison, Ph.D. Secretary, Board of Trustees

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