

**HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 2024 – 4:00 P.M.  
DR. GWENDOLYN W. STEPHENSON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
4115 NORTH LOIS AVENUE  
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33614  
MINUTES**

**1.0 GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

1.01 Call to Order

This meeting was also held by Zoom video conferencing. The public was reminded that questions or comments can be submitted to the Trustees' email address at any time.

1.02 Invocation

1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

1.04 Roll Call

The following Trustees were in attendance:

- Nancy Watkins
- Greg Celestan
- Chip Diehl
- Brian Lametto
- Aakash Patel
- Matthew Valentin

1.05 Welcome to Guests, Staff and Faculty.

1.06 Foundation Report

Garrett Weddle, Executive Director for the Foundation, provided the Board with a brief update of the HCCF activities and support.

1.06.01 The Foundation Report was sent to the Board under separate cover and included:

- New gifts and commitments \$5.6M (July-March) up 19% compared to last year.

1.06.02 Highlights:

- Presidential Showcase Follow Up. A \$3M gift was pledged to SouthShore Campus for Workforce development. Mr. Weddle expressed appreciation to Dr. Jennifer China for the work she has done cultivating the relationship with the pledging donor.

1.06.03 Events:

- Scholarship Partners Breakfast
- Hook Line and Sinker Fishing Tournament
- HCC Golf Classic

1.07 Faculty, Staff and Student Recognitions

Angela Eveillard, Executive Director of Marketing, provided the following faculty, staff and student recognitions:

- 1.07.01 **Daniel Cardwell**, Brandon Campus Librarian successfully completed the Bar Leadership Institute program hosted by the Hillsborough County Bar Association's Young Lawyers' Division.
- 1.07.02 **Nursing** first-time NCLEX test takers had a pass rate was 91.92%. With repeaters it was 88.68%.
- 1.07.03 **Dental hygiene** students had a 100% pass rate for the ADEX exam.
- 1.07.04 **Dr. Brian Mann** has been appointed to the Regional CareerSource Hillsborough/Pinellas Board.
- 1.07.05 **HCC Lady Hawks Tennis** won the 2024 Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) State Champions and the NJCAA Regional Championship.
- 1.07.06 **Catherine Goldman**, first year student won the FCSAA Player Tennis of the Year.
- 1.07.07 **Sarah Lytle** won FCSAA Tennis Coach of the Year.
- 1.07.08 **HCC men's basketball team** earned their ticket for the FCSAA region eight tournament for the first time in 10 years.
- 1.07.09 **Men's Basketball coach Dominic Coleman** was inducted into the FCSAA Men's Basketball Hall of Fame.
- 1.07.10 Freshman **Masiel Reyes** named to the FCSAA All-Tournament Team for women's basketball.
- 1.07.11 Sophomore **Dominic Gooden** named to the FCSAA All-Tournament Team for men's basketball.
- 1.07.12 **Doug Holton and Ilene Frank** gave a plenary talk: Navigating the AI Frontier for the TCC 2024 Worldwide Online Conference, Teaching Colleges and Community Worldwide Online Conference on April 16, 2024.
- 1.07.13 **Tyler Gonzalez**, Chapter Founder and President for Dale Mabry's Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Regional Vice President of SHPE at the SHPE Region 7 meeting. Tyler received the scholarship for his diligence, hard work, and achievements in SHPE chapter development.

- 1.08 The Chair recommended adoption of the agenda, all revisions to the agenda and approval of all agenda items marked "**Consent.**" The President asked to revise the agenda to withdraw agenda item 8.03.

Trustee Lametto made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Celestan. After due discussion and consideration, approval was given by aye vote of all members present.

- 1.09 The President recommended approval of the **March 27, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes**.  
Trustee Watkins asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes, hearing none, the minutes were approved as drafted.

## 2.0 HEARING OF STUDENTS

## 3.0 HEARING OF CITIZENS

## 4.0 HEARING OF FACULTY AND STAFF

## 5.0 HUMAN RESOURCES

- 5.01 The President recommended approval of individuals for **full-time employment**. These individuals will be compensated in accordance with the Board-approved Salary Schedule.
- 5.02 The President, recommended approval of **part-time faculty and staff employment** recommendations for Term 24/SP. Each part-time employee will be compensated in accordance with the Board-approved Salary Schedule.
- 5.03 The President recommended acknowledgment of **employment separations**.
- 5.04 The President recommended approval of the following faculty members be granted **Sabbatical Leave during the 2024-2025 Academic Year**.
- Jennifer Paquette, English, Dale Mabry Campus
  - Theresa Lewis, Counselor, Brandon Campus
  - Adonis Amparo, Librarian, Ybor City Campus

Trustee Lametto made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Patel. After due discussion and consideration, approval was given by aye vote of all members present.

## 6.0 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & STUDENT SERVICES

- 6.01 The President recommended approval of the **new courses, the course modification, the course deletion, and program modifications** to be effective FA/24, unless otherwise noted.
- 6.02 The President recommend that the Board approve **the Dual Enrollment Annual Articulation Agreement between HCC and the SBHC**.
- The President commented that we have over 8,500 Dual Enrollment students. The second highest enrollment in the state of Florida.
- Trustee Celestan asked about the number of Dual Enrolled students were graduating from HCC next month. Dr. Kenneth Ray later reported that the total DE graduates this year is 241 students.

Trustee Patel made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Lametto. After due discussion and consideration, approval was given by aye vote of all members present.

## 7.0 INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

## 8.0 FINANCIAL SERVICES

8.01 The President recommended **acceptance of the Financial Audit Report No. 2024-163.**

Trustee Diehl made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Celestan. After due discussion and consideration, approval was given by aye vote of all members present.

8.02 The President recommended that the Board approve the application for **final payment in the amount of \$17,624.35 to Reno Building, LLC for completion of the Renovation of the HCC DTEC Cyber Lab at the Dale Mabry Campus** as reviewed and recommended by Wilder Architecture, Inc.

Trustee Celestan made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Diehl. After due discussion and consideration, approval was given by aye vote of all members present.

## 9.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

9.01 Equity Accountability Plan

The President informed the Board that HB1285 has been rescinded and there is no need to submit a report on the Equity Accountability Plan any longer.

## 10.0 LEGAL REPORT

## 11.0 HEARING OF BOARD MEMBERS

11.01 Student Trustee Valentin commented on the Showcase student speaker and how much he enjoyed Showcase. He is excited to see the outcome of the selection of the upcoming student trustee.

11.02 Trustee Patel commented on the upcoming Ybor Student Excellence awards, and he is excited to attend. He also congratulated Dr. Baia on her appointment as Chair of the Ybor City Chamber of Commerce.

11.03 Trustee Diehl expressed kudos to the HCC community with the visit of the President of the United States.

11.04 Trustee Watkins expressed her thoughts on the visit from the US President. She felt it was a negative impact for the college, due to it being finals week, the event consumed over 50% of HCC parking areas and that it was disruptive and controversial. Until we have a policy in place, she requests in the future that the Board be notified before any political use of the campus is approved. Discussion ensued regarding the definition of "official visit" and "campaign stop". The President commented that the college will draft a policy regarding these types of requests to use college property.

## 12.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.