

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COMMITTEE AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Julius Boros Board Room, Mid Pines Inn & Golf Club
February 3, 2020, 1 pm**

PRESENT: Trustees George Little, Chairman; Larry Caddell, Vice Chairman; Joe Clendenin, Secretary; Gary Evans; Irish Pickett; Linda McCaskill; Helen Probst Mills; Gene Horne; Dr. Larry Upchurch; Dr. Sandy Stewart; Raymond Villalobos, SGA President

STAFF: Dr. John Dempsey; Brenda Jackson; Heather Lyons; Ron Layne; Dr. Rebecca Roush; Kellie Shoemake; Germaine Elkins; Elizabeth Thomas; Dr. Kirk Lynch; Twana McKnight; Wendy Dodson; Joe Brown; Teresa Sheets; Andi Korte; Doug Smith; Michelle Bauer; Lindsey Farmer; Becky Graham; Stephanie Miller; Casey Moreau, Hoke Campus SGA Representative

Mr. Little called the meeting to order at 1 pm. He read the statute regarding conflicts of interest to the Trustees and asked the Board if there were any potential conflicts with the agenda items to be discussed. Hearing none, Mr. Little proceeded to the next item of business.

Mr. Little asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Horne made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Little asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019, Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Clendenin made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Dr. Upchurch seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Villalobos reported for the Student Government Association (SGA). He provided information regarding student activities and upcoming events. Mr. Villalobos reported that the SGA is working to build a national voice for community colleges. Mr. Villalobos introduced Casey Moreau, SGA representative from the Hoke Campus. Mr. Moreau stated that he is working to increase student involvement in SGA activities on the Hoke campus.

Mr. Caddell reported for the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Dr. Dempsey shared information regarding naming opportunities. The new healthcare building will be called Foundation Hall and will be established to visually highlight the role that the Foundation has made in the education of all the students at Sandhills Community College. Mr. Evans made a motion to approve the naming of the new healthcare building as Foundation Hall. Ms. McCaskill seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Evans reported for the Personnel Committee. Mr. Evans made a motion to approve the hiring of Alexander Patti as a full-time Communication instructor. Mr. Horne seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Dodson reported that the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) will be available to part-time associates. The EAP offers professional advice and resources needed to address personal or work-related challenges.

Dr. Dempsey congratulated Joe Brown in his new role as the Executive Director of the Bradshaw Performing Arts Center.

Mr. Clendenin submitted there was no report for the Planning Committee.

Ms. McCaskill called on Ms. Shoemake to report on the Sandhills Promise Program. Ms. Shoemake reported there are currently 430 Sandhills Promise scholarship students enrolled in the current academic year. Jonathan Garrison has been named Director of the Sandhills Promise program. He will be in charge of recruitment and other aspects of the program.

Dr. Stewart presented the Educational Programs Report. Dr. Stewart called on Dr. Roush to report on new course fees. Dr. Roush requested permission from the Board to enter the planning process for the Criminal Justice Forensic Concentration Associate Program and the CT or Cat Scan Technician Certificate. Students must have a radiography degree before taking the certificate program. Dr. Stewart made a motion to approve course fees and to begin the planning process for the aforementioned programs. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Roush also stated that the system office has approved the Environmental Engineering program.

Ms. Elkins presented the Foundation Report. Ms. Elkins presented a snapshot update of the Foundation's support of the college. The Foundation is working with Joe Brown to launch the new "Take a Seat" campaign for the Bradshaw Performing Arts Center, selling seats in the auditorium for \$1,000 per seat. The annual Wandering Epicurean culinary fundraiser is scheduled to return on April 23, 2020. The annual guarantor's dinner will be held on April 2, 2020.

Dr. Dempsey presented the President's Report. Dr. Dempsey said that we are in the process of considering the 2030 Vision for the college. Dr. Dempsey will work with Lindsey Farmer to listen to what our constituents would like to see in 2030.

Ms. Farmer reviewed the College Strategic Plan of Operations (CSP). The CSP process has been totally revamped to listen to individuals in every area of responsibility on campus. Ms. Farmer asked Board members to review and answer questions regarding the 2030 Vision for the college.

Ms. Elkins reported there are six locations within Foundation Hall to be recognized by specific naming and one location within the culinary program. The Fletcher Family Nursing Education Center, DiNapoli Nursing Simulation Center, FirstHealth Professor of Clinical Nursing Education at Sandhills Community College, Terri McCaskill Stafford Nursing Skills Lab, John and Nancy Ellis Nursing Classroom, Bob and Connie Lovell Nursing Classroom, and Dan Connelly Culinary & Pastry Arts Garde Manager Skills Lab. Ms. Probst Mills made a motion to approve all naming opportunities. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Caddell reported that construction and the bond issuances are estimated to occur in the first quarter of 2021. Mr. Smith reported that a facilities master plan, which is a study of the college's current buildings, technology, space utilization, electronic floor plans, etc., has been posted on the state IPS system. This is a requirement from the system office and is estimated to cost approximately \$50,000.

Mr. Caddell reported that an offer was received on Friday, January 31 on the Westmoore property. Reeder Pallet Company, Inc., offered to buy two parcels, including the rest stop property of 28.9 acres for \$100,000. The offer is contingent upon a special use permit being granted by Moore County Planning for a pallet facility.

Discussion ensued regarding the sale of the various land plots.

The Board reaffirmed their prior directive for the college to negotiate through Matt Wimberly for the best price which represents fair market value.

Mr. Caddell reported there is no action on the sale of the Westmoore property.

Mr. Horne reported for the Finance Committee. Mr. Horne reviewed student fees and reported that a new College Access Parking and Security (CAPS) fee will be included in student fees. Dr. Upchurch made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 student fees. Ms. Probst Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Horne reviewed the Financial Report through December 31, 2019. Mr. Horne called on Ms. Thomas to review financial information. Mr. Horne made a motion to approve state and local budgets for 2019-2020. The motion was seconded by Ms. Probst Mills, and the motion passed unanimously.

The State and County Bond Funds status through December 31, 2019, was submitted.

A Request for Purchase (RFP) for banking services will be issued in the second quarter of 2020. No action is required at this time. Ms. Thomas explained the specifics of the RFP.

Mr. Little made a motion for the Board to go into closed session. Mr. Caddell seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board went into closed session at 3:05 pm.

The Board reconvened at 3:10 pm.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George Little, Chairman of the Board

Joseph Clendenin, Secretary of the Board