

MINUTES: February 16, 2021

MEETING: NORTH FLORIDA COLLEGE
MADISON, FLORIDA

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Ricky Lyons, Chair
Mrs. Sharon Benoit
Mr. J. Travis Coker
Mrs. Sandra Haas
Mr. David Howell
Mr. Al Williams
Mr. Mike Williams
Mr. Gary Wright

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Mr. Billy Washington, Vice Chair

STAFF PRESENT: Larry Akers
Tyler Coody
Rick Davis
Dr. Jamie Holland
Judy Lundell
Dani Mays
Jennifer Page
Robin Peiffer
Micah Rodgers
Connor Starling, Audio/Visual Technician
Kristin Summers
Michelle Wheeler, Recording Secretary

Rob Sniffen, Board Attorney

STAFF ABSENT: Mr. John Grosskopf, President

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Ricky Lyons who asked Mr. Williams to open the meeting with prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance. Dean Page sat in place of President Grosskopf who was out sick. Mr. Lyons welcomed Mr. Al Williams back to the table after his battle with COVID-19.

MOTION: (M. Williams/Coker) That the District Board of Trustees adopts the Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: (Haas/Wright) That the District Board of Trustees adopts the minutes for the January 19, 2021 regular meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Jamie Holland presented Allied Health contracts for approval.

MOTION: (A. Williams/Coker) That the District Board of Trustees approves the renewal agreement between the Florida Department of Health for Madison and Jefferson Counties and North Florida College. This recommendation will ensure that the Allied Health Department of North Florida College will have adequate clinical locations to provide clinical experience to students as required. The above contracts have been previously reviewed by the Board Attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rick Davis presented the Educational Services Consulting, LLC agreement for approval.

MOTION: (M. Williams/Haas) That the District Board of Trustees for North Florida College approves the attached partnership agreement and authorization between Educational Services Consulting, LLC (ESC) and North Florida College. This agreement has been reviewed by the Board Attorney and will allow licensure in the field of claims adjusting. The motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer Page introduced her new staff assistant, Robin Peiffer, to the Board.

EMPLOYEE SERVICES

Tyler Coody presented the following items for approval:

MOTION: (Haas/Coker) That the District Board of Trustees for North Florida College approves the attached the establishment of the Associate Director position to the current Salary Schedule as outlined in the attached memo. This recommendation establishes the full-time position of Associate Director on the Salary Schedule to fill an immediate need. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: (Washington/Coker) That the District Board of Trustees for North Florida College approves the personnel recommendations as outlined as follows:

- Brooke Turner, Associate Director of Financial Aid
- Katherine Spence, MSN, Nursing Instructor (Faculty-11 month) Emergency Hire
- Windy Gamble, Director of Dual Enrollment (Professional Staff- 12 month)
- Karen Turner, Interim Coordinator of Employee Services (Change from Career to Professional)

This recommendation fills the vacant positions and completes the hiring process. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUSINESS SERVICES

Micah Rodgers presented the following items:

MOTION: (Coker/Haas) That the District Board of Trustees approves the Warrant List for January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Statement of Account was presented as an informational item as was the Current Funds Unrestricted Revenue and Expenditure Report.

MOTION: (Coker/Howell) That the District Board of Trustees approves the concept of the constructing a Multi-purpose Career Workforce Education building using local funds and after staff has more information on pending legislation, they are to report back before proceeding with definitive plans. The motion carried unanimously.

DEVELOPMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Judy Lundell discussed the following from the Foundation Report for February 2021:

- Donations and Fundraisers
- Spring 2021 Scholarships awarded
- Last Mile Scholarship Update
- New Scholarships Awarded
- Operation Outreach Taylor County
- Update on Scholarship Drawing Recipients

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND RESEARCH

Dani Mays presented the Diversity Project for North Florida College packet (attached). The purpose of this project is to create best practices that close the equity gap in all student success metrics.

PRESIDENT'S HIGHLIGHTS

Kristin Summers presented 10 Board Policies that are being aligned with SACSCOC Principles:

MOTION: (M. Williams/Coker) That the District Board of Trustees approves the following edits to current policies (3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.04, 3.05, 3.06, 3.07, 3.08, 3.09, and 3.10) to align with SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation. The applicable SACSCOC standards have been noted at the end of each policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Dean Page provided updates on the following topics on behalf of President Grosskopf:

Recent events of note:

- 1/20 Zoom meeting with Senator Stargel's staff regarding dual enrollment bills to be heard in her committee.
- 1/22 FCS Risk Management Consortium Board meeting in Gainesville. Review of Property and Casualty coverage and rate changes.
- 1/29 College leadership campus safety event debriefing and improvements planning. No specifics to be shared here at open meeting but happy to discuss particulars with any interested individual Board members.
- 2/4 SWFA Audit Exit Conference including BOT Chair.
- 2/5 Zoom meeting with Chairman Duggan regarding HB 281. Explained concerns about unfunded expansions of dual enrollment program and lack of a stable funding base for his proposed 'dual enrollment scholarship' concept.
- 2/9 Zoom meeting with Senator Rodrigues regarding SB 52. Explained concerns about unfunded expansions of dual enrollment program and lack of a stable funding base for his proposed 'dual enrollment scholarship' concept.
- 2/10 Zoom meeting addressing NFC Faculty Senate regarding "Intellectual Freedom and Viewpoint Diversity Assessment" bills to communicate legislative impetus for these bills and some potential institutional complications with implementation if passed. Will continue to keep our faculty informed.

Ongoing discussions on multiple dates with COP Chair Pickens, Policy & Advocacy Chair Falconetti, and AFC Lobbyist group leadership about suggested amendments to HB 281/SB 52.

- Recent amendment to SB 52 would provide ability to charter schools to completely bypass the need to work with the local FCS institutions and contract directly with postsecondary institution of their choice to deliver early college experiences to their students. Structured to provide significant benefit to private charter schools and private postsecondary institutions but not to the Florida College System.

Upcoming Events:

- 2/19 Council of President's business meeting. Commissioner of Education Corcoran will attend to address the presidents, agenda not yet shared.
- 3/4 NFC Foundation's Operation Outreach at Taylor County HS; 2 scholarship drawings
- 3/5 North Florida Economic Development Partnership Zoom meeting
- 3/12 Small College Consortium Zoom meeting

Florida legislative pandemic health and safety rules severely restrict physical access to the Capital building and legislative offices, so he will be participating in a number of Zoom and conference call meetings to advocate for issues important to NFC's mission and our students.

ATTORNEY TIME

Attorney Sniffen provided updates on the following:

- Informational – HB7/SB72 Civil Liability for Damages Related to COVID-19
- Presidential and Institutional Evaluation Summaries

Mr. Mike Williams asked if the Board could review the status of President Grosskopf's contract and discuss additional compensation. Attorney Sniffen stated that the contract would be provided for review at the next meeting along with a list of all of the Florida College President's salaries for comparison.

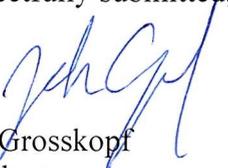
GOOD OF THE ORDER

Michelle Wheeler asked if the trustees would like to sign a greeting card for Karen Surles, who just lost her daughter-in-law and unborn grandson in a tragic vehicle collision.

Mr. Mike Williams mentioned that our former President, Mr. Morris Steen, is recovering from surgery to remove a kidney due to cancer.

Chair Lyons announced that the next regular meeting will be held on March 16, 2021 at 5:30 p.m., in the Student Center and asked Mr. Al Williams to pray before dinner. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


John Grosskopf
President


Ricky Lyons
Chair

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