

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

**Sledge Board Room, Sandhills Community College  
April 4, 2016, 7 pm**

**PRESENT:** Trustees George Little, Chairman; Joe Clendenin, Secretary; James Cunningham; Larry Caddell; Gary Evans; Raymond Washington, Sr.; Jim Saunders; Sandy Stewart; Gene Horne, Art Blue; Linda McCaskill; Payton Manning

**STAFF:** Dr. John Dempsey, Brenda Jackson, Heather Lyons, Ron Layne, Rebecca Roush, Kellie Shoemake, Germaine Elkins, Joe Brown, Libba Thomas, Kirk Lynch, Teresa Sheets, Susan Grine, Lindsey Farmer, Wendy Dodson, Karen Manning

Following the Buildings & Grounds, Finance, Personnel committee meetings, and a Closed Session, the Board of Trustees convened their regular meeting. Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:51 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 made a motion to modify the agenda to include Dr. Dempsey's evaluation. Mr. Horne seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Clendenin to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2016, Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Manning gave the Student Government Association Report. He provided information about student activities for the months of April and May.

Mr. Caddell asked Ms. Jackson to report for the Buildings & Grounds Committee regarding the upgrading of Owens Auditorium, the Advanced Career Center, and Performance Contracting. Ms. Jackson gave an update on each of the projects. The design team is in place for Owens Auditorium; the college and the Moore County School Board are looking at land between the college's ball field and Reservoir Park for the Advanced Career Center; and the chillers have been replaced in Meyers and Kennedy halls.

Mr. Horne presented the financial report and provided a summary and status of the county and state bond funds for information only. Ms. Thomas and Mr. Brown reported that there were no audit findings in the recent Foundation audit.

Mr. Horne reported on the submission of the Hoke County budget. Mr. Horne made a motion from the Finance Committee to approve the recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and the motion passed.

Mr. Horne reported on the submission of the Moore County budget. Mr. Horne made a motion from the Finance Committee to approve the recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caddell, and the motion passed.

Ms. Jackson stated that a Purchasing Compliance Review was completed – the first one in eight years – and that there were minor findings that are currently being remedied.

Mr. Evans asked Dr. Roush to report for the Educational Programs Committee. Dr. Roush reported on the Continuing Education Internal Audit Plan for Accountability and Credibility. The auditors sent a letter regarding the compliance review for Continuing Education, and there were no material findings.

Mr. Washington asked Mr. Little to report on the President's Evaluation. Mr. Little stated that the evaluation was rated above average in all facets and that the board is pleased with Dr. Dempsey's performance. Mr. Little made a motion to approve the President's Evaluation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caddell, and the motion passed.

Mr. Washington reported that the Personnel Committee approved the sabbaticals for faculty and staff for 2016-2017. Mr. Washington made a motion from the Personnel Committee to approve the sabbaticals as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCaskill, and the motion passed.

Mr. Washington reported on the Personnel Information that was for information only.

Mr. Clendenin reported for the Planning Committee. He said that the Dean of Planning and Research, Kristie Sullivan, is working with vice presidents, deans, and directors to look at a way to include faculty and staff in developing the college's strategic plan.

Ms. McCaskill reported that there would be no Student Affairs Committee report because the committee had not met but that Ms. Farmer would talk about veterans and programs the college offers to them. Ms. Farmer discussed the Veteran Services Committee and the new opportunities it plans to bring to campus.

Ms. Elkins gave the Foundation Report. She presented some of the upcoming events being hosted by the Foundation and mentioned the four new Foundation directors, Greg Bradbury, Susan Grine, Kathy Milligan, and Marilyn Grube.

Dr. Dempsey reported on the newest Foundation directors and on our statewide teacher of the year, Professor Ed Spitler, who has been chosen to be the college's Distinguished Alumnus and speak at commencement.

Mr. Little asked if there were any other items of business for discussion. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Caddell, which was seconded by Mr. Cunningham. The motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George Little, Chairman of the Board

Heather Lyons, Assistant Secretary of the Board