

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

**Clement Dining Room, Sandhills Community College
April 3, 2017, 7 pm**

PRESENT: Trustees George Little, Chairman; Larry Caddell, Vice Chairman; Joe Clendenin, Secretary; James Cunningham; Gary Evans; Jim Saunders; Mary Upchurch; Dr. Sandy Stewart; Gene Horne; Linda McCaskill; Dr. Larry Upchurch; Tim Carpenter; Jessica Quint

STAFF: Dr. John Dempsey; Brenda Jackson; Heather Lyons; Ron Layne; Kellie Shoemake; Germaine Elkins; Elizabeth Thomas; Kirk Lynch; Wendy Dodson; Teresa Sheets

Following the Buildings & Grounds, Finance, and Personnel committee meetings, the Board of Trustees convened its regular meeting. Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:29 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. Ms. Lyons asked that a motion be made to allow her to digitally record the meeting for transcription purposes. Such recording will be deleted upon completion of the minutes. Mr. Evans made a motion to approve the recording. Dr. Upchurch seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

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. Horne to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2017, Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Quint gave the Student Government Association Report. She provided information about student activities in the month of April.

Mr. Caddell reported for the Buildings and Grounds Committee and presented naming opportunities for Owens and Stone. He also discussed the Stone courtyard project, which is awaiting a survey for renovations. A report should be available next week for review.

Mr. Caddell reported on the transfer of land from Sandhills Community College to Moore County Schools for the new Advanced Career Center. Mr. Caddell made a motion for the Buildings and Grounds Committee to approve the transfer of land to Moore County Schools, including the Declaration of Easements and Operating Agreement and the Offer to Purchase and Contract for the Advanced Career Center. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clendenin, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Horne reported for the Finance Committee and presented the financial report and provided a summary and status of the county and state bond funds for information only. He also reported that there were no findings with the recent Foundation audit or the College audit.

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

Mr. Horne asked Ms. Jackson to report on the Moore County budget. Ms. Jackson said that the Moore County budget operational amounts were consistent with prior years. As county bonds are paid down, excess funds will be available for the College's capital needs.

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

Mr. Little asked Dr. Stewart to report on the Educational Programs Committee Report. Mr. Stewart reported that the 2016 Continuing Education Internal Audit Plan for Accountability and Credibility met or exceeded audit standards. Dr. Stewart also reviewed issues with the College and Career Readiness Program. He spoke about the "Ability to Benefit" standard which may alter how the program is run.

Mr. Little reported on the President's evaluation. Mr. Little stated that the evaluation was rated above average to superior in all categories. Mr. Little moved that the board approve the evaluation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Evans reported for the Personnel Committee. He reviewed the Personnel Information for information only. He also reviewed Personnel action items. Mr. Evans made a motion from the Personnel Committee to approve new faculty hires. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCaskill, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Evans reported that the Personnel Committee approved the sabbaticals for faculty and staff for 2017-2018. Mr. Evans made a motion from the Personnel Committee to approve the sabbaticals as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCaskill, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Evans asked Ms. Dodson to report on Title IX policy changes. Ms. Dodson provided changes in Title IX policy. Mr. Evans made a motion from the Personnel Committee to approve Title IX policy changes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horne, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Clendenin reported for the Planning Committee. Mr. Clendenin asked Ron Layne to report on the College Strategic Plan. Mr. Layne provided information and updates.

Ms. McCaskill reported for the Student Affairs Committee. The new Luke Joseph Ryan Veterans Center is now open. Efforts are underway to have a dedication ceremony in July 2017.

Ms. Elkins presented the Foundation Report. She provided information on the upcoming Flyers fundraiser and the Ruth Pauley anniversary event. Ms. Elkins also reported that the Executive Committee of the Foundation Board recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval three new Foundation Directors for the class of 2018: Meredith Clifton, Dr. Pamela Guest, and John Williams. Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horne, and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Dempsey presented the President's Report and reported that National Pretzel Day/Carol Burnett's birthday will be celebrated at Vito's restaurant on April 26. A Tedx presentation was held on April 1 at the Sunrise Theater in Southern Pines and was a great success.

Mr. Little provided information on a trustee's conference he attended in Raleigh. He discussed some proposed legislation about presidential evaluations. Discussion ensued about new legislation that may impact community colleges.

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. Saunders, which was seconded by Mr. Horne. The motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George Little, Chairman of the Board

Heather Lyons, Assistant Secretary of the Board