

ROXBURY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 15, 2022

BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE: Chair Steven Tompkins, Secretary Betty Francisco, Treasurer Mark Culliton, and Trustees, Marrero, Perry, Aarons

NON-VOTING TRUSTEE: Trustee Ortiz

RCC CABINET: Interim President Jenkins-Scott, VP Vidal, EVP Lomax, Interim EVP Rosa, Interim VP Taylor

Gibson

RCC GUESTS: Assistant Dean Val

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mia Hazlett, Executive Assistant to the President

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tompkins called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Tompkins stated he would have to leave the meeting early so wanted to start with the college fees and then the consent agenda.

FINANCE AND OPERATIONS REPORT

Chair Tompkins gave the floor to VP Vidal who began to review Exhibit A. Secretary Francisco asked when would the HERF funds be received and VP Vidal responded they had just received \$6.6 million on 1/24/2022 and we are expecting an additional \$3.8 million soon. He continued with his presentation with no further questions asked. Chair Tompkins asked if anyone had any questions regarding the fees. With no further discussion, he moved to the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Treasurer Culliton and seconded by Trustee Marrero, the Board unanimously approved through roll-call vote the consent agenda as presented.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Tompkins then introduced Miriam Ortiz, the newest member to the Board. Trustee Ortiz introduced herself and reviewed her background and excitement to join the Board. Chair Tompkins then introduced Interim President Jenkins-Scott and she gave welcoming comments.

Chair Tompkins then stated he is working with Interim President Jenkins-Scott to develop a Committee for the 50th anniversary. He then turned the meeting over to Treasurer Culliton and exited the meeting.

Treasurer Culliton gave the floor to Interim President Jenkins-Scott. She introduced her interim leadership team, Interim

EVP Marta Rosa and Interim VP Joyce Taylor Gibson. They each stated their welcome and gave their background. They both expressed they were happy to come to the College despite the challenges they knew they would face.

EFFECTIVENESS REPORT

Treasurer Culliton asked for the enrollment update. Dr. Taylor Gibson began to review her presentation. Secretary Francisco asked about the first slide asking what are non-degree credit seeking students. She asked to clarify how they could be non-degree and credit. Assistant Dean Val gave the example of high school students who are in the dual enrollment program. The presentation continued.

Assistant Dean Val reviewed slide 3. Trustee Perry asked if they anticipated challenges with the transition. He stated they are building the dual enrollment team and Interim VP Taylor Gibson stated they are working to make enrollment everyone's business.

The presentation progressed. Trustee Aarons asked if there was a growth opportunity in having part-time students convert to full-time. Assistant Dean Val explained we are working on that, but because of COVID we are seeing the opposite, because students really want to be face-to-face, so we have seen more full-time to part-time, based on modality. Dr. Taylor Gibson said we are looking at data and trying to follow it to see the trends for retention.

Secretary Francisco asked if we are looking to go full face-to-face or if we will still maintain hybrid. Dr. Taylor Gibson stated we will not completely abandon on-line and hybrid because on-line was offered even prior to COVID. Treasurer Culliton stated it seems when employment is up community college enrollment goes down, but we have many areas to grow given the participation in dual enrollment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Treasurer Culliton gave the floor to Interim President Jenkins-Scott for her presentation. She first thanked everyone for the warm welcome she has received. She stated she had met and will continue to meet the trustees and members of the Foundation in just over the week she has been at the College. She then reviewed her presentation. Trustee Aarons stated he appreciated having her here and thanked her for the concerns she covered in her presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Treasurer Culliton than stated he had two requests for public comment, Professor John McColgan and Mr. Nate Simms. He first called Professor McColgan.

Professor McColgan stated the faculty assembly had met. There was a motion by the assembly requesting that faculty be involved in not only the process of finding the new president, but wanted members on the committee that reviewed the finalist. He asked by the next meeting there be a response to this motion involving the faculty in the presidential search. He then stated MCCC has since July 2021 been trying to have their contractual obligations met by administration and the College and there is still no movement.

Treasurer Culliton then called Mr. Simms. Mr. Simms welcomed Interim President Jenkins-Scott. He claimed the Board had ignored a letter that was sent to them and expected a response. He then stated he wanted to know the status of employment of EVP Regner and by the next meeting wanted an update. He continued by stating the Board needed to remain consistent with their public comment portion because for the past few meetings it keeps changing.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Trustee Marrero, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.	
Betty Francisco, Secretary	Date