New River Community College Board (Region 10) Meeting Number Three Hundred Sixty-One

MINUTES

December 11, 2023

Meeting number three hundred sixty-one of the New River Community College Board was held on Monday, December 11, 2023, at New River Community College, Dublin.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Christopher Calfee (City of Radford) and Mrs. Becki Calfee

Mr. Craig Chancellor (Floyd County)

Mr. Bill Cunningham (Pulaski County)

Dr. Peggy Dewald-Link (Floyd County) and Mr. Jim Link

Ms. Jessica Littlejohn (Montgomery County)

Mr. Chris McKlarney (Giles County)

Mr. Cameron Peel (Pulaski County)

Mrs. Bobbie Potter (Montgomery County)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Richard Chidester (Giles County)

Mr. Eric Johnsen (Montgomery County)

Mrs. Tosha Mosier (City of Radford)

Mr. Jonathan Sweet (Pulaski County)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Melissa Anderson, Interim Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services

Dr. Peter Anderson, Vice President for Instruction and Student Services

Ms. Angela Covey, Executive Director of NRCC Educational Foundation, and Mr. Anthony Wilson

Dr. Pat Huber, President, and Mr. Peter Huber

Mr. Tim Jones, Director of Information Technology and Facilities Services

Dr. Deborah Kennedy, Dean of Student Services

Ms. Lori Mitchell, Dean of Business and Technologies

Ms. Kathy Ridpath, Administrative Assistant for the President's Office

Dr. Mark Rowh, Vice President for Workforce Development and External Relations

Dr. Fritz Streff, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, and Mrs. Fran Streff

Dr. Sarah Tolbert-Hurysz, Dean of Arts and Sciences

Mrs. Helen Wolfe, Dean of Health Professions, and Mr. Danny Wolfe

SPECIAL GUESTS

Mr. Ed Dalrymple, VCCS State Board Liaison

Mr. Steven Denis, NRCC Retiree and Mrs. Nancy Denis

Mr. Gary Hancock, NRCC Educational Foundation Co-Chair

Mr. Jim Rakes, NRCC Educational Foundation Co-Chair, and Mrs. Janet Rakes

Mr. Ray Wurzburger, NRCC Retiree, and Ms. Jutta Green

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Mr. Bill Cunningham, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Cunningham welcomed Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Rakes, Board members, and guests.

3. Agenda for Approval

Mr. Cunningham asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion: Dr. Peggy Dewald-Link made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Mrs. Bobbie Potter seconded the motion.

Action: The motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes for Approval

The minutes of meeting number three hundred sixty, held on Monday, September 11, 2023, were disseminated in the meeting packet. There was one revision – location of the meeting changed to the Christiansburg site. Mr. Cunningham asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion: Mr. Chris Calfee made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. The motion was properly seconded.

Action: The motion carried unanimously.

5. President's Report

Dr. Huber welcomed everyone in attendance.

Memorandum of Updates

Dr. Huber referred to a Memorandum of Updates (attached) that was previously disseminated. No questions were posed on the updates. The memorandum containing information items only included:

- General updates
- Enrollment
- Employee Updates (Full-Time)
- Foundation Update
- VCCS Sustainability Threshold Factors
- G3 Get Skilled, Get a Job, Get Ahead
- New River Community College Bridge to Radford University (NRB2RU)

- VCCS Healthcare Summit Finding the Answers
- Student Services Update
- Workforce Development Update
- · Virginia Ready
- VCCS Legislative Agenda
- SACSCOC Update
- Solar Project Update
- Canopy Project

6. Instruction and Student Services Report

New and Revised Programs

After a discussion of the process of curriculum changes, Dr. Anderson reported that the Curriculum and Instruction Committee met prior to the Board meeting to discuss the revisions for 2024-2025. On behalf of the Committee, Mr. Craig Chancellor recommended approval of the changes as presented.

Action: The motion carried unanimously.

7. Recognitions

2023 Retirees

Three college employees retired in 2023. They included Mr. Steven Denis, Mr. John Van Hemert, and Mr. Ray Wurzburger. Each retiree present was recognized by Mr. Cunningham and received a framed resolution recognizing their years of service to the college. Mr. Van Hemert was unable to attend; therefore, another appropriate venue will be used to present his resolution.

Dr. Huber expressed gratitude to the Board for their support of the college mission and presented them with gifts of appreciation.

8. Open Discussion/Q&A Session

Mr. Dalrymple addressed the Board and brought greetings from the Chancellor. He stated the Chancellor is working to bring colleges together by their designated Go Virginia regions to establish programs that can be shared among these colleges. Mr. Dalrymple provided an update on the Virginia Infrastructure Academy. A healthcare summit was held recently, and an additional summit will be held in early 2024 that will include the VCCS colleges and CTE centers of the associations who support the Virginia Infrastructure Academy. Mr. Dalrymple continues to meet with various groups to promote VCCS initiatives.

Mr. Chris Calfee expressed appreciation to Dr. Huber and staff for all the work that is done for the college.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the New River Community College Board is scheduled for Monday, March 4, 2024, at NRCC in Dublin.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Bill Cunningham, Chair

Dr. Patricia B. Huber, Secretary

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