

**New River Community College Board
(Region 10)
Meeting Number Three Hundred Forty**

MINUTES

June 4, 2018

Meeting number three hundred forty of the New River Community College Board was held on Monday, June 4, 2018, at the residence of Mr. James Loux, 6770 Dunkard Road, Dublin, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Richard Chidester (Giles County)
Mr. Steven Harvey (Radford City)
Mr. Brian Kitts (Montgomery County)
Mr. James Loux (Pulaski County)
Dr. Douglas Martin (Giles County)
Mr. Michael Patton (Floyd County)
Mr. Lane Penn (Pulaski County)
Dr. Sharon Scott (Montgomery County)
Dr. Sue Thacker (Montgomery County)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Jack Brockway (Radford City)
Mr. Steven Kaylor (Floyd County)
Mr. Walter (Benny) Keister (Pulaski County)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Peter Anderson, Vice President for Instruction and Student Services
Mrs. Debbie Bond, Interim Dean of Business and Technologies
Dr. Patricia Huber, President
Dr. Deborah Kennedy, Dean of Student Services
Mrs. Kathy Ridpath, Administrative Assistant, President's Office
Dr. Mark Rowh, Vice President for Workforce Development and External Relations
Dr. Fritz M. Streff, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research
Mrs. Sarah Tolbert-Hurysz, Interim Dean of Arts and Sciences

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Mr. Steven Harvey, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been mailed and published.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Harvey welcomed everyone in attendance. He expressed appreciation to the hosts, James Loux and Jan Buss, for their hospitality.

3. Agenda for Approval

The agenda was approved as distributed.

4. Minutes for Approval

The minutes of meeting number three hundred thirty-nine, held on Monday, March 5, 2018, were approved as distributed.

5. President's Report

Dr. Pat Huber expressed gratitude to the Board for their support during her first year as president and for their advocacy in the community.

Dr. Huber informed the Board that the Educational Foundation will receive a \$500,000 endowment from the New River Valley Health Foundation to fund scholarships for nursing students. On a related note, she reported that the Tobacco Commission recently approved \$130,000 to match the funds for ACCE (Access to Community College Education) scholarships for Floyd County.

Dr. Huber reported that six faculty and staff have or will be retiring this year. These individuals will be invited to the College Board meeting in December for recognition. The college is in the process of hiring the following positions:

- Dean of Business and Technologies
- Math instructor
- Three nursing instructors
- Instructor for HIM/AST (Health Information Management/Administrative Support Technology)
- Instructor for EIE (Electrical/Instrumentation/Electronics)

Dr. Huber referred to an initiatives chart that was disseminated. This chart defines some of the initiatives currently in place at NRCC and lists the college contact for each initiative. She commented that there are lots of initiatives and hard work taking place at the college.

Dr. Huber reported the State Board for Community Colleges recently approved a 2.5 percent tuition increase for a cost of \$154 per credit hour. The total with fees for 15 credits will be approximately \$2,400. She distributed a news release from the VCCS that outlined this information. No questions were posed on the increase in tuition.

Dr. Huber briefly discussed the upcoming changes in dual enrollment. These changes are in response to a JLARC (Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission) recommendation made to the General Assembly. There are inconsistencies in pricing across the Virginia Community College System. NRCC had been reimbursing school divisions at a rate of 100 percent for the last few years. If approved by the State Board,

the System will move to a standardized rate (possibly \$50 per credit hour inclusive of the technology fee). The information was shared with the State Board for Community Colleges in May and will be brought to them again for action during the July meeting. Dr. Huber noted that she shared this information with the public school superintendents, and she will continue to share information as received. Dr. Huber, along with other staff members, will present information and data regarding the impact on school divisions and localities at the next Board meeting.

6. Instruction and Student Services

Industrial Advisory Committees

Proposed membership lists for all industrial advisory committees for the Career Technical Education programs were distributed in the meeting packet. There was an additional member added to the Welding Advisory Committee, and a revised list of that committee was distributed. Dr. Peter Anderson informed the board that program directors have contacted all members and confirmed service on the committees. Mr. Patton moved for approval of the advisory committees as presented. The motion was properly seconded and carried by unanimous vote.

Curriculum Changes

Dr. Anderson reported that the Curriculum and Instruction Committee met earlier in the evening to discuss additional curricular changes. Mr. Benny Keister was unable attend but gave verbal and written approval of the changes. Dr. Anderson referred to the summary and curriculum track sheets that outline the proposed changes included in the packet previously disseminated (see attached). On behalf of the committee, Dr. Sharon Scott recommended approval of the changes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

7. Enrollment

Dr. Fritz Streff reported on enrollment for the summer semester. As of June 4, the total FTEs stand at 463, an increase of 10.69 percent over the same relative date last year (increase represents 45 FTEs). He reported that the VCCS enrollment as a whole shows an increase of 2.36 percent compared to this point in time last year. He stated the enrollment for the fall semester is looking strong. Enrollment for the fall semester began two weeks earlier than in previous years. FTEs show an increase of 3.69 percent over the same point of the registration period last year (increase represents 44.5 FTEs). He also reported on enrollment for the spring semester, which ended with a 1.8 percent decrease over last year. The VCCS as a whole finished the spring semester showing a decrease of 2.97 percent. Most of the change was in non-dual enrollment for the fall semester, which showed a decrease of 2.24 percent with the VCCS as a whole showing a decrease of 4.76 percent. No questions were posed about the report.

8. Schedule of Meetings 2018-2019

The schedule of meetings for 2018-2019 was presented. A motion and proper second was made to approve the schedule. The schedule was approved by unanimous vote.

9. Report of the Nominations Committee

On behalf of the Nominations Committee, Mr. Brian Kitts recommended Mr. Steve Harvey be re-elected chair and Mr. James Loux re-elected vice-chair for the upcoming year. The recommendation received unanimous approval.

10. Report of the Personnel Committee: Evaluation of the President

Mr. Harvey informed the Board that he, along with Mr. Brian Kitts and Mr. James Loux, served on the Personnel Committee for the evaluation of the President. He referred to the copies of the letter that was written and sent to the Chancellor along with supporting information.

11. Open Discussion/Q&A Session

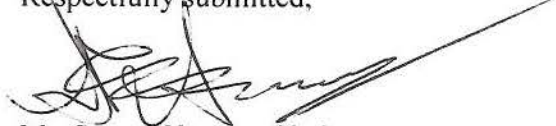
Mr. Loux expressed gratitude to all who attended the meeting. No other items were presented for discussion.

12. Special Recognition

Mr. Harvey recognized the retiring and outgoing board members, Dr. Jack Brockway, Dr. Doug Martin, Mr. Lane Penn and Dr. Sue Thacker, for their service and presented them with plaques of an engraved certificate of appreciation. Dr. Jack Brockway was not in attendance; therefore, another appropriate venue for recognition will be used to present his plaque.

The next regular meeting of the New River Community College Board is scheduled for **Monday, September 10, 2018**, at the Mall site. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Steven Harvey, Chair



Dr. Patricia B. Huber, Secretary

Attachments