

MINUTES OF THE MTCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The McDowell Technical Community College Board of Trustees met in formal session on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 6:00p.m in Dogwood building boardroom. Meal was provided at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Gwen Conley, Haskell Davis, Joseph Kaylor, David Patneau, Boyd Phillips, Don Ramsey, Jim Washburn, Darren Waugh, and Chelsey Radford (SGA President)

Others present: Dr. John Gossett, Dr. Penny Cross, Michael Lavender, and Madalyn Gaito

Media: None.

Call to Order – Chairperson

Chairperson Waugh welcomed the board members and called the meeting to order.

Prayer: Boyd Phillips

Ethics Statement: Chairperson

Chairperson Waugh read the Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest statement. No conflicts noted.

Approval of Minutes – Chairperson

Chairperson Waugh called for approval of the board minutes. David Patneau made a motion to approve the minutes. Jim Washburn seconded and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report – VP Garrison

Ryan Garrison presented the County detail budget and the State appropriate budget for the month ending January 31, 2017 (handout). Mr. Phillips acknowledged that the Finance Committee met and reviewed the budgets and made a motion to approve. Don Ramsey seconded the motion and it passed. Mr. Garrison informed the Board that the RFP for the 2017 and 2019 financial audits had been sent out to private accounting firms. The low bid received was from Douglas Accounting & Tax Services in High Point, NC. References received from Alamance Community College were very positive.

Building and Grounds Committee Report – Chair Holland

Dr. Gossett presented preliminary drawings for the SIM Lab (handout). The architects are currently working to produce detailed drawings of the renovation. The new Cosmetology building has received State Board approval and we have received official notification to move forward. The architect will be submitting design ideas and Dr. Gossett will consult with the architect concerning space needs required by a Barber School.

Personnel Committee Report – Chair Patneau

Mr. Patneau asked Dr. Gossett to share information with the Board concerning the recent death of the spouse of an MTCC faculty member.

Foundation Report – Chairperson
No Report

President's Report – Dr. Gossett

SGA Report – Chelsey Radford

Ms. Radford reported that the recent Blood Drive was a huge success. They surpassed their goal by receiving 42 units of blood. The next Blood Drive is March 27. Planning is underway for Spring Fling, scheduled for March 21st.

Headcount Report – VP Cross

Dr. Cross shared the student headcount report for spring 2017 (handout). We are down 56 students from fall 2016. Student services will be contacting those students who did not return this semester. One suggestion, from the Board, was to make sure there are avenues through which students can express concerns, complaints and suggestions to the administration.

STEM Early College – Dr. Gossett

The Department of Public Instruction has approved the **McDowell Academy for Innovation** for funding. The next step is for the funding to be approved by the General Assembly. MCS and MTCC are moving forward with plans for classes to begin in fall of 2017 in the Universal building.

McDowell Fire, Rescue and EMS College – Dr. Gossett

We are expecting between 1200 – 1500 people to attend McDowell Fire, Rescue and EMS College scheduled for March 17-19, 2017. This event has a positive economic impact on our community.

Upcoming Events – Dr. Gossett

- Foothills Nursing Consortium – 25th Anniversary Celebration to be held on Feb. 17, 2017 at Isothermal Community College.
- McDowell Fire, Rescue and EMS College is scheduled for March 17-19, 2017.
- MTCC Spring Fling March 21, 2017

Chairman's Report – Chairperson

Mr. Waugh distributed the list of MTCC email addresses assigned to BOT members. All BOT correspondence will use the new email addresses.

Mr. Waugh reminded members that each is required to complete a 2017 Statement of Economic Interest form by April 2017.

Other

Announcements

Closed Session - δ143-318.11 (a)(1)(6)

Adjournment

There being no further business, David Patneau moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jim Washburn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm. **The next regular meeting of the MTCC Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, March 9th, at 6:00 p.m. in the boardroom of Dogwood Building. A meal will be provided at 5:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Gossett
Secretary to the Board