

MINUTES OF THE MTCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The McDowell Technical Community College Board of Trustees met in formal session on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 6:00p.m in Dogwood building boardroom. Meal was provided at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Greg Barksdale, Nancy Hunter, Kay Medford, David Patneau, Boyd Phillips, Don Ramsey, Gary Stroud, Jim Washburn, Darren Waugh

Members Absent: Gwen Conley, David Walker

Others present: Administrators/Staff: Dr. John Gossett, Dr. Penny Cross, Ryan Garrison, Madalyn Gaito. **Media:** None.

Call to Order – Chairperson

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

Prayer: Mr. 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. Gary Stroud made a motion to accept and approve the minutes with one correction. Kay Medford seconded and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report – VP of Administration and Finance

Mr. Garrison presented the county detail budget and the State appropriation budget for the month ending April 30, 2018 (handout). Boyd Phillips made a motion to accept the county detail budget and the State appropriation budget for the month ending April 30, 2018. Don Ramsey seconded it and it passed.

Building and Grounds Committee Report – Chair

No Report

Personnel Committee Report – Chair Patneau

Chair Patneau requested a closed session pursuant to § 143-318.11 (a) (1) (6)

Foundation Report – Nancy Hunter

The MTCC Foundation golf tournament was held on Monday, May 7, 2018. Eighteen teams paid to participate. Will have final financial information by the June meeting.

President's Report – Dr. Gossett

SGA Report - Dr. Gossett

The American Red Cross will be on campus May 22. They will be providing scholarships to the McDowell Early College based on the number of pints of blood donated.

Continuing Education Accountability Report – Brad Ledbetter

Brad Ledbetter, Director of Continuing Education, provided the results of the annual Accountability and Integrity Plan. He outlined the four divisions of Continuing Education and provided information on number of courses offered and number of students served during the 2017-18 academic year. One note, the numbers given did not reflect some of the classes being offered during the spring 2018 semester for HRD

McDowell Fire, Rescue & EMS College – Brad Ledbetter

Mr. Ledbetter provided information on the most recent McDowell Fire, Rescue & EMS College held in March. There were 78 classes run with 1013 students in attendance and no injuries were reported. The pass rate for the certification tests was 91% with an average grade of 85.

Policy 2.7 – Dr. Gossett

This was the second reading of Policy 2.7 – Termination, Hearings & Grievances. Don Ramsey made the motion to approve the policy. Nancy Hunter seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion passed.

Policy 4.6 – Dr. Cross

This was the first reading of Policy 4.6 – Student Expenses. Dr. Cross explained the reasoning behind requesting the change from graduation expense fees to a \$5 Student Success Fee. The Activity Fee would be changed from \$1.00 per credit hour to a flat fee of \$20.00 per semester. The policy will now go through a second reading and trustees will vote on the updated policy at the June meeting.

New NCCCS President

On May 1 the Trustees of the NC State Community College System announced their selection of Peter Hans as President.

MTCC Events Update

- The McDowell Tech Expo did not result in the numbers of students we would have liked but the plan is to evaluate all aspects of the event and will consider another event in the coming year.
- The WNC Photography and Graphics Expo was a good success with over 150 attendees.
- Camp Opportunity is scheduled for June 25-28, 2018.
- We have received good media coverage for our new Engineering degree. This college transfer program is run in conjunction with Western Carolina University.
- WLOS was on campus April 30 to provide coverage for the Public Safety Challenge and Expo. McDowell Technical Community College and McDowell High School Career and Technical Education Department hosted the annual

Public Safety Challenge event. This is a physical agility style competition that incorporates fire, law enforcement, and EMS agility testing in one course.

- Dr. Gossett attended the RN pinning ceremony at Isothermal Community College for the nursing consortium on Thursday, May 10.
- The Health and Information Technologies Program pinning ceremony – Thursday, May 10 at 6:30pm

Chairman's Report – Chairperson

- Mr. Waugh shared a personal success story in support of the Career and College Promise Program. His daughter will be graduating from McDowell High School with one year of college course credits. This is beneficial from an academic standpoint as well as from a financial standpoint.
- Mr. Waugh made the suggestion that the trustees meet with the faculty and staff for a “back to school”. The goal is to provide an opportunity for the trustees to interact with faculty and staff in an informal social setting.
- The June meeting will be held on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Noon in WHS building in room 113.

Other

Announcements

- Graduation – Friday, May 11, 2018 at 6:00pm. Trustees are asked to attend and will be seated on the platform. Please arrive at East Middle School at 5:30pm.
- Blood Drive – May 22

Closed Session - §143-318.11 (a) (1) (6)

Kay Medford moved to go into Closed Session. David Patneau seconded the motion and the meeting moved into Closed Session. Copies of the compiled results of the Evaluation of the President and the Board Evaluation were distributed. After reviewing the results Chair Waugh asked for comments or questions and there were none. All copies of the Evaluation of the President were returned to Madalyn Gaito.

David Patneau moved to go back into regular session. Greg Barksdale seconded the motion and the meeting moved into open session.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Don Ramsey moved that the meeting be adjourned. Nancy Hunter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

The next regular meeting of the MTCC Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Noon in Conference Room 106 of the Universal Building.

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Gossett
Secretary to the Board