

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

The McDowell Technical Community College Board of Trustees met on Thursday, November 10, 2022 at 6:00pm in the Universal Advanced Manufacturing Bldg. Boardroom.

Members in Attendance: Robert Ayers, Bill Bach, Gwen Conley, Nancy Hunter, Ray McKesson, Chad Marsh, Kay Medford, Donald Ramsey, Gary Stroud, Brenda Vaughn, Jose Rico Martinez (SGA President)

Members Absent: Susan English, William Kehler

Others Present: Dr. Brian Merritt, Madalyn Gaito, Ryan Garrison, Ladelle Harmon, Michael Lavender, Dr. Beverly Watts, Stacy Buff, Valerie Dobson, Chuck Bowling, Dr. Lora Bartlett, Jill Huffman, Sherry Gowan, Patrick McMurray and Vicky Carpenter

Call to Order: Chair Stroud called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Prayer: Kay Medford

N.C.G.S. §138A-15(e): Ethics Act

Chair Stroud read the Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Statement. No conflicts were noted.

Approval of Board Minutes

Chair Stroud called for approval of the board minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting held on October 13, 2022.

Robert Ayers moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 13, 2022.

Second: Brenda Vaughn

Vote: passed

Financial Committee Report

Financial Committee Chair McKesson presented the County and State budget reports dated October 31, 2022.

Chad Marsh moved to approve the county and state budget reports dated October 31, 2022.

Second: Don Ramsey

Vote: passed

Building & Grounds Committee Report

The building lease with the Town of Old Fort was presented for approval.

The Building and Grounds Committee moved to approve the building lease between the Town of Old Fort and the Trustees of McDowell Technical Community College effective after grant project renovations are completed and the C.O. is obtained.

Second: Nancy Hunter

Discussion: request was made to check the insurance policy to make sure windows and doors are covered.

Vote: passed

Personnel Committee Report

BP 123 Conflicts of Interest was presented by Ladelle Harmon. The words "and/or employees" were added to the last paragraph.

Motion: The Personnel Committee recommends waiving the second reading of BP 123 Conflicts of Interest and moves to approve the policy.

Second: Ray McKesson

Vote: passed

Foundation Report

Mr. McKesson provided a report on the MTCC Foundation Scholarship Luncheon held on Wednesday, Nov. 9. The next Foundation Board meeting is scheduled for Nov. 16.

McDowell Co. Education Committee Report

Dr. Merritt reported on the meeting held in October.

President's Report

SGA Report - SGA President Jose Rico Martinez

The SGA President provided information on the following:

- Successful Fall Festival
- SGA officers and advisor attended the SGA conference at UNC-G
- Working to publicize spring registration
- Looking at ways to increase cultural awareness on campus.
- Reported on upcoming events
- Planning for Spring Fling
- Recognized veterans: Ray McKesson, Bill Bach, Chad Marsh, Robert Ayers and Don Ramsey.

Nursing Program Update – Dr. Lora Bartlett

Dr. Bartlett introduced new instructors Sherri Gowan and Jill Huffman and provided an update on the Nursing program.

Health Sciences and Public Safety Building – Patrick McMurray

Mr. McMurray from Holland & Hamrick Architects, PA presented plans for a new building for the MTCC campus.

Motion: Chad Marsh made recommendation that the Board endorse the Health Sciences and Public Safety Building project to move forward with research into funding options.

Second: Robert Ayers

Vote: passed

Curriculum Approval – Dean Dobson

- a. 911 Communications and Operations Technology

Motion: Don Ramsey moved to approve the planning process for the 911 Communications and Operations Technology Program at MTCC

Second: Brenda Vaughn

Vote: Passed

- b. Elementary Education Residency Licensure

Motion: Kay Medford moved to approve the submission of the Elementary Education Residency Licensure program to the NCCC System Office.

Second: Nancy Hunter

Vote: passed

- c. Human Services Technology

Motion: Gwen Conley moved to approve the planning process for Human Services Technology

Second: Ray McKesson

Vote: passed

College Report – Dr. Merritt

Dr. Merritt introduced Chuck Bowling as the Interim Dean of Students and presented the MTCC Visionary Award to Dr. Beverly Watts as she prepares to retire at the end of the semester.

Announcements

Christmas Tree Lighting event – Dec. 1 at 5:30pm

Retirement event: December 8th at 1:30pm

Construction Trades Graduation

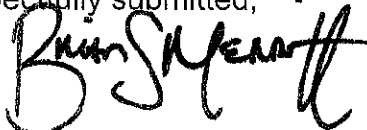
Holiday Luncheon Dec. 15 at 11:30am

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Don Ramsey

Meeting adjourned at: 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian S. Merritt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "B".

Dr. Brian S. Merritt

Secretary to the Board of Trustees