



BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: August 21, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Present:

Thomas J. Jennings, Chair
Richard Balukas, Ed.D., via Zoom
James Dancy
Broadus Davis, Ed.D., via Zoom
Blake Eisenhart, via Zoom
Jamie Fazzalore
Carol Mignoni Ferguson

Ronni Fuchs, Esq., via Zoom
Shamsul Huda
Adrienne King, via Zoom
Vincent Magyar, Esq.
Ed Tokmajian
Phil Wursta
Michael Clarke, Esq., Solicitor
Patrick M. Jones, Ph.D., President & CEO

Absent: Tabitha Dell'Angelo, Ph.D., John Murray

Mr. Jennings called the meeting to order at 10:16 A.M. and led the pledge of allegiance. Following the Roll Call, the College's Solicitor, Michael Clarke, reported that the Board met in Executive Session before the meeting to discuss potential litigation and personnel matters. He said no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

RECEIPT OF REPORT FROM OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CONSULTATION SERVICES, INC.

Chair Jennings reported that, at the last regular Board meeting, on June 12, 2025, he asked Dr. Jones to look into the status and progress of the College's environmental health and safety program. Dr. Jones reported that the College engaged an outside expert to give a third-party opinion. He then asked Mike Harris, COO, to introduce them. Mr. Harris said the outside expert reviewed and analyzed the environmental and related facility condition assessment, testing, and remediation activities from 2023 to 2025. In the past two years, the College has undertaken a host of environmental and safety measures, investing over \$2 million, and intending to invest another \$1.5 million in fiscal year 2026. He said the College engaged Occupational Health Consulting Services (OHCS) to assess the initiatives already taken and advise the College going forward. Mr. Harris introduced Jerry Roseman and Susan Gobreski from OHCS and shared their backgrounds and experience. Mr. Roseman started by stating that much of his work and experience in the past has been in similar environments. He said extensive, systematic and

comprehensive assessment, evaluation and testing were conducted at the College in the past two years. He said significant measures were conducted pursuant to the assessment findings and reported concerns, and that the College has devoted substantial financial resources to large-scale environmental and facility condition assessments and remediation measures. Mr. Roseman reported three major conclusions based on his review of the data. His first conclusion was that, based on the review of provided documents, assessment findings, and sampling data, most measurements were within expected and acceptable ranges, adding that elevations were rare and localized. His second conclusion was that conditions are substantially safer and healthier now than before the summer of 2023. Mr. Roseman's third conclusion was that the buildings and spaces should be considered suitable and safe for normal and routine occupancy, with targeted exceptions managed through standard protocols. He then gave recommendations for next steps, including establishing an Environmental and Health & Safety Working Group at the College. President Jones reported that the College will be establishing an environmental health and safety function under the supervision of Mr. Harris. He also noted that the full report will be sent to all employees and that a town hall will be held on September 4 so that Mr. Roseman and Ms. Gobreski can answer any questions that employees may have about the report findings.

PA BUDGET DELAY

Trustee Tokmajian reported that, due to the PA budget delay, the College has developed contingency plans. Mr. Christensen, CFO, reported that the College anticipated approximately \$5.7 million and \$2.2 million in operating and capital appropriations respectively during July and August, which did not occur due to the delay. In response, operating expenses have been reviewed to identify opportunities for reduction and deferral. The College has also assessed interim financing alternatives, including requesting acceleration of County funding, drawing down on investments, and obtaining revenue anticipation notes. A draft resolution was presented to the board, authorizing an application for revenue anticipation notes. This was for information purposes only, and no action was taken at this time.

BOARD COMMENT

Trustee Eisenhart commented that he appreciated the faculty comments at the June Board meeting, and the administration did a good job with the follow up report. He said it demonstrates that the issues have been addressed and that the administration and staff have worked collaboratively to do so.

ADJOURN

Upon the motion to adjourn being duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 A.M.

Jamie Fazzalore, Secretary