

# **BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Newtown Campus

Date: April 12, 2018 Time: 11 A.M.

#### PRESENT:

Thomas Skiffington, Presiding
James Dancy
Frank Farry
Frank Fazzalore
Elizabeth W. Fineburg
Otto Grupp III

Carol Mignoni-Ferguson
Garney Morris
Philip Wursta
Jeffrey Garton, Esq.
Dr. Stephanie Shanblatt

ABSENT: David Breidinger, Blake Eisenhart, Elizabeth Graver, William Maeglin. Linda Mannherz and Carol Shelly.

Mr. Skiffington called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM and announced that earlier in the day the Board of Trustees met in executive session to discuss real estate, labor relations and personnel matters.

Upon motion by Mr. Dancy, seconded by Mr. Grupp, the minutes of the February 2018 meeting were approved.

#### CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no report from the chair.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Shanblatt shared news about honors and recognition awarded to faculty, staff and students:

The Association of College and Research Libraries chose the college as the 2018 recipient of the Community & Junior College Libraries Learning Resources Award for its Learning Resources Faculty Institutes. Congratulations to Dean Bill Hemmig and the Library staff.

Competing against student newspapers from community colleges across Pennsylvania, the Centurion won nine awards in this year's Keystone journalism contest. Congratulations to our

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talented students and special thanks to faculty advisor Tony Rogers for his work with our student journalists.

Abby Blank, a Health Sciences student, was awarded one of the eight statewide-grants offered by AAUW-PA to attend the National Conference College for Women Student Leaders.

Finally, the Hunger Nutrition Coalition of Bucks County honored the college with a Hunger Hero Award in recognition of its partnership with the Bucks County Opportunity Council's Fresh Connect program.

Next Dr. Shanblatt reported on recent campus events:

The Accessibility Office hosted the Delaware Valley Network of Higher Education Disability Professionals semiannual conference at the college earlier this month. This event brought together Disability Professionals from the region and featured a number of excellent presentations. Thanks to Jennifer Osinski and her staff for coordinating this event.

The Business Studies Department hosted the Young Investor's Stock Pitch competition for students from Pennsbury High School. Students were able to interact with professionals in the field and ask questions about Financial Planning as a career path.

The second Start Me Up Challenge was held at the Lower Bucks Campus with five finalists competing for cash prizes. Congratulations to the first prize winner Anthony Prato of Richboro, a mechanical engineering student at Wilkes University. Thanks to Dean Tracy Timby and her team for coordinating this entrepreneurial experience.

In conclusion, the President highlighted upcoming campus activities.

Debates for the upcoming congressional primary races will be held at LBC. Democratic candidates will debate on Thursday, April 26 and Republicans on Tuesday, May 1.

LBC plans two events for the evening of Friday, April 20, including the opening of the Tuxedo art exhibit and a Star Gazing party presented in cooperation with the Philadelphia Science Festival.

This evening offers a performance by Donny McCaslin, saxophonist, composer and musical pioneer, at 7:30 in the Zlock PAC. McCaslin worked with the band on David Bowie's Grammy-winning final album "Blackstar" and will perform his original music ranging from jazz to rock.

Finally, Laura Little, Temple Law professor, will address the campus today on the topic of hate speech in the Linksz Pavilion at 12:30 PM

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# ACADEMIC, STUDENT & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE - Elizabeth Fineburg, Chair

Student Government Association officers Theodora Andonopoulos and Shanzeh Kahn presented a report on SGA activities this semester. New Student Welcome and Clubpalooza opened the semester and offered new students the opportunity to acclimate to the campus and involve themselves in student activities. Members also enjoyed hosting the Valentine's Day Bake Sale and assisting at the Foundation Community Breakfast. Kindness Week was another highlight featuring daily suggestions along with fun things to do including bingo and a sundae bar. The annual Centurion Reception this year will focus on meeting and thanking college service staff who create a pleasant physical experience for students. Overall, it has been a successful year in which three new student clubs were formed.

## <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> – William D. Maeglin, Chair, Finance Committee

Mr. Skiffington announced that all action items would be considered on the Consent Agenda. Trustees were advised that if discussion were requested on any item, that item would be removed from the Consent Agenda.

# In Mr. Maeglin's absence Mr. Fazzalore chaired the meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Fazzalore and second by Mr. Wursta, the Board of Trustees approved the following items as presented:

- Ratification of March Executive Committee Actions
  - Other Contract Awards
    - Office furniture for Founders Hall to Educational Furniture Solutions, Inc.\* for \$22,786.
    - Personal computers to Dell Computer\* for \$772,090.
    - Personal computers to Lenovo Computer for \$181,974.
    - Personal computers to SHI, Inc, for \$13,400.
    - Three vehicles from Fred Beans Autogroup, all over 72 month lease-purchase term:
      - **2018** Ford F250 pickup with plow for \$42,766.
      - 2018 Chevrolet Traverse SUV for \$37,866.
      - 2018 Ford Explorer Interceptor for \$33, 266.
  - Change Order for Founders Hall renovation to Twining Construction, Inc. for \$75,123.

- Capital Planning Priorities for submission to PDE as follows: Advanced Manufacturing Center at Lower Bucks \$14,100,000, Fire Alarms and Security Upgrades \$900,000 and new roofs \$750,000.
- Bid Award for Lower Bucks PSTC garage to Uhrig Construction, Inc. for \$469,899.
- Other Contract Awards
  - Apple computer lease to Apple Financial Services, Inc. for \$143,797 over 36 month lease term.
  - Grupp Hall furniture to Educational Furniture Solutions, Inc.\* for \$20,596.
  - Personal computer lease financing to Hewlett Packard Financial Services, Inc. for \$898,510 over 36 month lease term.
- Other Actions Finance Committee
  - Tuition increase of \$5 per credit effective fall semester 2018.
  - Balanced budget for FY20119 of \$80,337,556.
- Other Actions Executive Committee
  - Revision of policy 1.11 Americans with Disabilities Act.
  - Award of honorary degree for commencement speaker Dr. Christopher Fiorentino.

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

There were no board comments.

## **ADJOURN**

Upon the motion being duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on May 10 at 11 AM on the Lower Bucks Campus.

	William D. Maeglin, Secretary
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