

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, August 16, 2023**  
**Cook Campus, Meeting room**  
**12:00 Noon**

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b> Rebecca Corbett, Dr. Rodney Green, Amanda Ramshead, Matt Seale, Bradfield Shealy, Lisa Sumner, Al Walker, Dr. Joi Williams
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b> Joe Brownlee, Phaydra Crews, Ronnie Dean, Sue Lane Hughes, Dr. Mark Sutton
<b>SENIOR STAFF PRESENT:</b> DeAnnia Clements, (joined remotely), April McDuffie, Lidell Greenway, Michael Williams, Mona MacKenzie, Susan Jones
<b>SENIOR STAFF NOT PRESENT:</b> Keren Wynn, Kelly Peacock, Shannon McConico, Tim Allmond, Casey Thompson, Brandy Wilkes, Shalonda Sanders, Ken Strickland

**DRAFT MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 12:14 pm by Bradfield Shealy.

The pledge of allegiance was sited and a blessing for the meal was given by Dr. Rodney Green.

A motion to approve the June, 2023 meeting minutes was made by Lisa Sumner and seconded by Dr. Rodney Green. All members agreeing, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Department Updates**

##### **Administrative Services** (April McDuffie in the absence of Keren Wynn)

Reported that reserve funding estimates are consistent with roll-over budget.

Reported expected increase to expenditures consistent with inflation and increased cost of goods and materials.

Recapped FY23 financial summary previously presented. L

##### **Enrollment Management Update** (April McDuffie in the absence of Shannon McConico)

Wiregrass showed an increase in both traditional enrollment and overall enrollment numbers' 12% increase over prior AY.

AY2023 had 1.461 unduplicated graduates.

Although early in term, numbers are on pace to match or exceed TCSG goals.

Wiregrass is partnering with twenty-one different high schools and dual enrollment students have not yet started

Cook Cosmetology program showed high gains.

##### **Adult Education Services Update** (April McDuffie in the absence of Kelly Peacock)

Pending hire for Out-of-School-Youth Coordinator.

HSET exceeded TCSG goal and held a celebration with the Foundation.

Total student enrolled 12 hours is currently 208.

Total FY24 AES HSE graduates students currently 4.

Total MSG Completion Rate is currently 8.37%

### **Academic Affairs Update** (April McDuffie)

Presented new program request for TCC on the Valdosta Campus for Central Sterile Supply Processing Technician, consisting of nine credit hours of instruction.

A motion to approve the program as detailed was made by Al Walker and seconded by Matt Seale. All in agreement, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Facilities Management Update** (Lidell Greenway)

Reported statuses of Valdosta renovations on buildings 200, 300, and 500.

- Building 200 gained state-of-the-art biology and esthetics lab spaces

- Building 300 gained a remodeled and integrated One Stop space for admissions and advising.

- Building 500 was renamed as Cox Hall.

Coffee Campus CDL driving range project in final bidding stages.

BHI Campus bathroom ADA compliance retrofitting is in progress.

BHI Dual Enrollment Culinary Arts project in final stages.

VP Greenway suggested that she prepare a video presentation of project walk-throughs for future meeting.

### **Economic Development Update** (Michael Williams)

Reviewed FY23 summary report.

- Was most prosperous year to date.

- Highest training hours.

- Highest DOC contract amount.

- Multiple mobile units in use.

Inaugural Goodwill construction training in progress.

GA AIM grant specialist hired.

- Partnering with GA Flex in Lowndes County high School

- Funds innovation incubator spaces.

- Program included student business competition.

CNC training at Moody AFB pending.

### **Board Recommendations** (Susan Jones)

Proposed moving monthly meeting dates from previously selected third Wednesday of month to the first Wednesday of month to accommodate members with standing high-priority conflicts.

A motion to accept the change as listed was made by Lisa Sumner and seconded by AL Walker. All in agreement, the motion passed unanimously.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS** (DeAnnia Clements joined remotely)

Academic and Enrollment Highlights:

Announced graduation numbers: 300 graduates walked at Commencement.  
Wiregrass led TCSG in growth, at a 12.1% increase.  
Led TCSG in FTE and credit hours.  
Summer enrollment 4<sup>th</sup> highest in state.  
Dual enrollment set to bypass its goal of 6% increase.  
Multiple scholarships were awarded for student success.  
AY24 to focus on Aviation, Healthcare, Advanced Manufacturing, Automotive/EV, and CDL.  
Governor Kemp has an initiative to make Georgia the leader in Electric Vehicles manufacturing.  
Dual Achieve program initiative to target non-college bound HS graduates with a seamless transition and streamlined admissions process.

Recent Events/Announcements:

Welcome Week events for Fall term.  
1<sup>st</sup> ESL class at Arglass completed.  
Students participated in SkillsUSA national event, taking home a bronze medal.  
Wiregrass participated in the Healthcare Summit  
Aviation program received a donated plane.  
Cox Hall rededication/renaming on July 28, was Crissy Staley's last event.  
President Clements to participate in SACS COC Peer Review Group in September.  
TCSG hosting an EV Partnership Summit at Columbus Tech.  
SACS visit and review September 16-19.

Budgetary Concerns:

Leaner budget year due to reduced finding, inflation, and state employee pay raise of \$2000.  
Budget plan is in place and Wiregrass was able to increase carry-over funds.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Board Member Headshots can be facilitated by Lydia Hubert in Public Relations for anyone who would like to make this arrangement.

**Chairman COMMENTS:**

Next meeting is September 6 @ 12 noon on the Coffee Campus.  
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:08 pm was given by Matt Seale, seconded by Lisa Sumner.  
All in agreement, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Jones