



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Teleconference

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August 18, 2022

**Valdosta Campus,
Foundation Office, Rm 7215
and Teleconferenced
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Lane Hughes, Al Walker, Mark Sutton

NEW BOARD MEMBERS: Phaydra Crews, Rodney Green, Lisa Sumner, Joi Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joe Brownlee, Brad Shealy

SENIOR STAFF PRESENT: DeAnnia Clements, Niki Ogletree, Kelly Peacock, RaMona Paulk, Michael Williams, Shannon McConico, Cheryl Acree, Keren Wynn, Casey Thompson, Lidell Greenway

SENIOR STAFF NOT PRESENT: April McDuffie, Shalonda Sanders, Brandy Wilkes, Lidell Greenway, Crissy Staley

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Hughes at 12:10 pm.

The pledge of allegiance was site by the board and staff.

Wiregrass Police Chief Tim Allmond swore in new members: Phaydra Crews, Rodney Green, Lisa Sumner, and Joi Williams. President Clements gave a little background on each of the new members and welcomed them to the local board.

The minutes from June 16, 2022 meeting were submitted to the board. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by Lisa Sumner and properly seconded by Joi Williams. There being no opposition to the motion, the motion to accept the meeting minutes as written carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Department Updates

Administrative Services Update

Financial Summary (Keren Wynn)

- The Financial Summary for June 30, 2022 was submitted. The report reflects a summary for the year close out comparing FY2022 to FY2021. Revenue at \$44,484,580 (87.1% of budget) vs \$31.9M last year at 74.8%. Total expenses are just over \$41M, over last year at \$26.8M at about 70% of budget.
- Wiregrass Budget Summary starts the fiscal year off at total revenue of \$36.1 M with added carryforward funds of \$5M, totaling funds for the year at \$41.9M. Expenses should come out to \$436.1M. A motion to approve the Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2023 was made by Al Walker, and properly seconded by Rodney Green. There being no



question or opposition to the motion the budget was accepted and the motion carried unanimously.

Enrollment Management Update (Shannon McConico)

- Enrollment report as of Monday at 3pm, numbers were updated to reflect current time. Mrs. McConico explained how students are allowed to add (5 days) or drop classes (3 days) at the beginning of the semester. Report shows Fall 2022 at 3,313 decrease of 7.1 %. She explained to the new members how when the semester and fall express start as well as commercial truck driving timeline. We have 495 more high school, Dept. of Corrections to enroll, which will help us reach our goal of 3,828 students.
- President Clements explained about the programs we offer in the high school.

Academic Affairs Update (Niki Ogletree in the absence of April McDuffie)

- Introduction of a new TCC of Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Repair Technician program for the Valdosta campus, offering 19 credit hours. She explained why this program was selected. The program falls under Automotive program, graduates will be able to be employed in regular repair shops and hybrid repair shops. There are no prerequisites for this program. A motion to approve the new Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Repair Technician program by Lisa Sumner and properly seconded by Rodney Green. There being no questions about the program, the motion carried unanimously.

Adult Education Services Update (Kelly Peacock)

- Ms. Peacock explained what Adult Education Services is responsible for in the college.
- Total student enrolled 12 hours is 267.
- We only have 4 graduates, but we just got back into classes. The average of students is 16 and up. They must not be enrolled in another program to be accepted.
- Goal for this year is 1,040 students and 175 graduates.

Economic Development Update (Michael Williams)

- We have had the best year and have exceeded our goals.
- We met our goals with unique companies served by 1 company.
- Discussed other programs and classes that Continuing Education will have to offer this fiscal year.
- Explained about the Leadership Training done by Millie Ward. She is outstanding and being requested more. Explained about unique companies served and promised to get a list to Ms. Sumner of the companies.

Foundation/Fundraising Update (RaMona Paulk in the absence of Crissy Staley)

- For June and July, we have raised over \$50,000 and had secured a pledge of \$300,000 to help our students with scholarships to help students stay in school.
- November 3, Corks & Forks Fundraising on the Valdosta Campus.
- Foundation Annual Meeting, Nov. 15 on the Ben Hill-Irwin Campus.



PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS (DeAnnia Clements)

- Talked about the meeting schedule, we will look at the schedule to see if there is a better day of the week, or day in the month to have meetings.
- Option 1: Do we need to look at another date.
- Option 2: Look at your schedules to propose a change if necessary for meeting.
- President Clements expressed her gratitude for the new members to be able to attend the meeting today. She introduced the former members that were on call for the meeting. Explained how we change the officers.
- SkillsUSA in June, took home 2 national medals, Brenden Howell and Nadia Harris.
- Staged groundbreaking for CDL on the Coffee campus, 18 months before we complete that building. This will allow expansion on our CDL program.
- Renovations taking place on all of our campuses.
- New One Stop Shop for new students to get admitted, enrolled and registered at one time with one person. This will allow us to increase the number of students accepted and improve our retention.
- Capital Outlay project this year we will share at next meeting the request of money for our Logistics building on the Valdosta campus. A flyer will be given to you at the next meeting.
- April McDuffie and President Clements flew out to Washington, DC to share with the legislators to about two things.
 - Asking for their support of short-term PELL funding for short term programs like CNA, CDL programs.
 - Second thing is our military personnel lose half of their housing allowance if they are taking online classes. It affects the decision of the military personnel that want to take classes.
- Presented to the Commissioner about our enrollment plan that all of our team had worked on. It is new for us, and we are excited about the initiatives to achieve a 7% growth, amp up our recruiting.
- Upcoming – Fall Express term – Sept. 21 (not a full offering, heavy with general education programs). 10 weeks.
- Civil Engineering, Medical Lab Technician and Math Instructors, we are seeking qualified instructors for these programs.
- Introduced the leadership team to the new members

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Hold off on Election of new officers till the next meeting. Sue Lane Hughes has agreed to chair until the next meeting.

Chairman COMMENTS:

- The new members were offered a chance to tour the Valdosta Campus
- Next meeting is September 15, 2022 on the Coffee Campus in Douglas at 12 noon.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 pm was given by Lisa Sumer seconded Phaydra Crews. All in agreement, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Cheryl Acree