

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FEBRUARY 24, 2022

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees met on February 24, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. via Zoom and in-person on the La Plata Campus, BI Building, Room 201, on Friday, January 14, 2022 in the location that all meetings and agendas are posted for the public.

Board Chair Jay Webster called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The following trustees were present: Shawn Coates, Dr. Roache, Cordelia Postell, Sonja Cox, Christy Lombardi, Jose Gonzalez, Kenneth Abell. Trustee Jones was absent.

Approval of January 20, 2022 Minutes

Dr. Roache made a motion to approve the January 20, 2022 minutes. Trustee Gonzalez seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approval of February 24, 2022 Agenda

Trustee Cox made a motion to approve the February 24, 2022 agenda. Trustee Gonzalez seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Spring Enrollment Report

Vice President Harris presented on the status of enrollment. The presentation began with enrollment figures based on January 18, 2022 data indicated a 16.7% decrease in headcount, he shared data of the Maryland community colleges that indicates of the 16 community colleges only one had an increase in enrollment as of the reporting date. The division of Student Equity and Success has several enrollment campaigns/efforts taking place, including the hiring of six retention specialists.

February Financial Report

Interim VP Mills presented the February Financial Report. The presentation included number of days cash on hand, revenues by source, 5-year revenues by source, expenses by function, insurance fund – fund balance with a five-year average comparison, capital project fund, and the grant activities report.

Division of Learning Presentation on Credentialing

Provost Redmond introduced Professor Michelle Simpson who presented on the implementation of digital badges at CSM. Professor Simpson shared that digital badges are, “indicator[s] of accomplishment, skill, quality, or interest that can be earned in many learning environments”, digital badges can motivate students to complete their goals, help students see the relevance of what they are learning, and allow employers to discern what skills students possess. CSM offers three types of badges to date: academic badges; credit-free skills-based badges; and credit-free badges that are stackable. Future plans include developing clear processes and procedures, developing new badges, and developing comprehensive learning records.

Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) National Legislative Summit (NLS)

Trustee Coates shared highlights of presentations that took place at NLS including, Jill Biden, First Lady, Dr. Miguel Cordona, Secretary of Education, Marty Walsh, U.S. Department of Labor, and Ricardo Torres, President and CEO of National Student Clearinghouse.

Southern Maryland Delegation Update

President Murphy shared highlights from the February 15, 2022 Student Advocacy Day. CSM students attended virtually from the Hughesville Campus and enjoyed the engagement of several elected officials.

Approval of Foundation Directors

Chelsea Clute, Executive Director of the Foundation requested that the board approve the following candidates as Foundation Directors: Mary Hannah, Janna Jackson, and Michael Meisel.

Trustee Gonzalez made a motion to approve Mary Hannah, Janna Jackson, and Michael Meisel as Foundation Directors. Trustee Cox seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The Review of Policy Revisions was moved to the March 24, 2022 agenda.

President's Announcements

President Murphy had the trustees view the video presentation of the State of the College 2022. The video will be shown to all three county commissioner boards along with Certificates of Appreciation for supporting the Commissioner Cares Scholarships in 2021.

Board Chair's Announcements

Board Chair Webster encouraged the trustees to attend the March 8 State of the College presentation to the Charles County Commissioners.

Dr. Roache made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Cox seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jay Webster, Board Chair



Maureen Murphy, President

