



BOARD OF TRUSTEES Public Retreat/Meeting

Minutes January 22, 2026

A retreat/meeting of the Ocean County College Board of Trustees was called to order at 12:28 p.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2026, by Mr. Steven Zabarsky, Chair, in Room 102 of the Conference Center on the College campus and via Webex.

Call to Order

The announcement of public meeting was made by Mrs. Connie Bello in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975. This special meeting was announced on January 15, 2026, as required by the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, by providing adequate notice to the Asbury Park Press, the Atlantic City Press, the Ocean County Clerk, and the College community. The notice indicated this meeting would also be held via Webex, as per New Jersey Public Law 2020, Chapter 11, approved on March 20, 2020, for public bodies to conduct meetings by electronic means.

Public Meeting

Those in attendance were Mr. Zabarsky, Mr. Lynn Canfield, Ms. DiAnne Gove, Mr. Moshe Bender, Dr. Theresa Kubiel, Mr. Stephan Leone, Mr. Hunter Mantz, Mr. Jack Sahradnik, Dr. Pamela Monaco, Executive Vice President Sara Winchester, and Mrs. Connie Bello.

Attendance

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all those in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Upon a request for public comments by Mr. Zabarsky, there were no comments from the public at this time.

Public Comments

A resolution was introduced and adopted upon unanimous roll call vote to move into a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, collective bargaining, and pending and anticipated litigation. The results of the meeting will be released to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The length of the closed session is estimated to be approximately ninety minutes, after which the public meeting will resume and adjourn.

Resolution Adopted for Closed Meeting

At 12:31 p.m., the trustees moved to a closed session; at 1:53 p.m., the closed session ended, and the public meeting resumed.

Public Meeting Resumed

The next public meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Center and via Webex.

Mr. Zabarsky requested comments or inquiries from members of the public, and none were received.

Public Comments

With no further comments from the Board members or the public, the public meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

DiAnne C. Gove
Secretary

Jodi Heitmann
Special Assistant, Operations
Office of the President