

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Retreat/Meeting

Minutes

July 17, 2015

A retreat/meeting of the Ocean County College Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Carl V. Thulin, Chair, at 12:27 p.m., on Friday, July 17, 2015, in the Boardroom of the Administration Building on the College campus.

Call to Order

The announcement of public meeting was made in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975. Notice of this meeting was publicized through a resolution adopted at the November 2014 reorganization meeting that was distributed as required by law.

Public Meeting Announcement

Those in attendance were: Mr. Carl V. Thulin, Mrs. Linda Novak, Mr. Stephan Leone, Mr. Jerry Dasti, Mr. Frank Dupignac, Mr. Thomas Monahan, Mrs. Joanne Pehlivanian, Mr. Jack Sahradnik, Dr. Jon Larson, and Executive Vice President Sara Winchester.

Attendance

Dr. Larson introduced Dr. Carol Brown, who will be serving as the Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs from August 1, 2015, through January 31, 2016. Dr. Brown is a former President at several community colleges and worked in a variety of other administrative academic community college roles during her career. Dr. Larson thanked Dr. Brown for her willingness to serve OCC in this capacity, noting that her professional experience is well suited to assist the College during this transitional period until a new vice president is identified. Dr. Brown, in turn, expressed appreciation to Dr. Larson and the trustees for this opportunity. At 12:40 p.m., following her introduction, Dr. Brown left the meeting.

Introduction of Dr. Carol Brown

Mr. Matthew Kennedy, Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management and Construction, and Mr. Michael Bruno, Associate Director of Facilities, joined the meeting to provide additional information regarding the proposed renovation of the Instructional Building. At the June Board Retreat, the trustees requested that the architectural firm redesign its proposal to correspond with the \$11.4 million funding designated for the project. Three new options were received from the architect, a base proposal and two alternatives that reduced the scope and cost of the project.

Facilities Report

In order for the trustees to make an informed decision that is in the best interests of the institution, they require much more quantitative data, a clearer description of the options, and detailed costs of the project alternatives. When this data is provided, the trustees will be in a better position to continue their review of the proposals.

An image of the proposed new Health Sciences Building was shared with the trustees. The 45,000 square foot building will be a highly functional, aesthetically pleasing structure that will provide intergenerational community services as well as student programming at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Dr. Larson distributed information on collaborative space for review by the trustees. Research has found that collaborate space in educational institutions, which is open, inviting, and comfortable, promotes and strengthens student learning. As buildings are being renovated and new facilities are being designed, collaborative space should be given serious consideration.

Following their presentation, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Bruno departed the meeting.

A status report on the Charting Our New Course process was prepared by Dr. Don Norris and Dr. Tim Gilmour and distributed to the trustees. Dr. Norris and Dr. Gilmour will plan to attend the next Board Retreat for a more in-depth review.

Charting Our New Course **Progress Report**

Miscellaneous

The Board, at 1:15 p.m., adopted a resolution upon unanimous roll call vote to move into a closed session to discuss personnel matters, collective bargaining, and pending and anticipated Adopted for litigation, the results of which will be released to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Resolution Closed Session

The closed session ended and the public meeting resumed at 1:39 p.m.

Public Meeting Resumed

Personnel Committee

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Leone, the Personnel Report was unanimously approved upon roll call vote, as amended.

Personnel Report Approved

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for:

Meetings Scheduled

Monday, July 27, 2015	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Bylaw, Policy, and Curriculum Committee (As Needed)
	10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Buildings and Grounds Committee Personnel Committee Closed Session Regular Monthly Public Meeting

With no further business or comments from the trustees or the public, the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Stephan R. Leone Secretary

Connie Bello Secretary to the Board of Trustees