



HOCKING COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Wednesday, April 28, 2010
8:15 A.M.
Inn at Hocking College

AGENDA

- Call to Order Trustee Geiger
- Roll Call Trustee Swart
- Approval of Minutes Trustee Geiger
- President's Report Dr. Erickson
 - Strategic Plan Conceptual Model (Draft) Dr. Erickson/
Derek Bobo

- Old Business
- New Business
- Executive Session
- Meetings and Dates Trustee Geiger
- Adjournment Trustee Geiger

April 28, 2010

The regular meeting of the Hocking College Board of Trustees was held Wednesday, April 28, 2010, at the Inn at Hocking College, Nelsonville, OH.

Administrators attending: Dr. Ron Erickson, President; Dr. J. William Hill, Financial Assistant to the Vice President; Neil Hinton, Dean, School of Engineering and Technology; Dr. Jerry Hutton, Dean, Hocking Energy Institute; Linda Howard, Director of Tech Prep; Linda Deeds, Director of Employee Learning; Laura Kreider, Human Resources/Personnel Development; Dr. Sally Lozada, Assistant to the Provost; Dr. Roy Palmer, Senior Vice President; Dr. Myriah Short, Interim Vice President of Administrative Services; Judy Sinnott, Director, Public Information; Joe Wakeman, Director of Sustainability; Dr. Molly Weiland, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs; Paul Harper, Development Coordinator/Veterans Affairs; Derek Bobo, Interim Director of Institutional Research and Planning; Gina Fetty, Vice President of Financial Services; Jackie Osborne, Human Resources Consultant.

Additional attendees: Members of faculty and staff, and Attorney Gary S. Batke.

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Alan Geiger, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:15 A.M. and welcomed the new Vice President of Financial Services, Mrs. Gina Fetty, to the board meeting.

ROLL CALL

Nancy Vandeman, Board Recording Secretary, called the roll:

Board members present: Dr. Alan Geiger, Mrs. Patricia Light, Mr. Joe Murtha, Mr. Frank Newlon, Mr. Gary Starner, and Mr. Larry Willard.

Board members absent: Mr. Van Cardaras, Mrs. Tonya Sherburne, and Mr. Steve Swart.

Members present constitute quorum: Yes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Willard moved, seconded by Trustee Starner, the approval of the Minutes of the March 16, 2010 Board of Trustees meeting.

Voting Yes: Trustee Geiger, Trustee Light, Trustee Murtha, Trustee Newlon, Trustee Starner, and Trustee Willard.

Voting No: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Erickson presented the draft copy of *We Are One Hocking, The 2010-2015 Strategic Plan for Hocking College* (Addendum 1) borrowing the title from a previous campus incident, which created a unifying purpose and vision for the college. The draft is designed to conceptually align with the Higher Learning Commission's five criteria, and to create efficiencies between our self-study efforts and the creation of the strategic plan. The draft identifies five goals and includes major initiatives, which, when completed, will support a well-defined mission statement.

Dr. Weiland provided the Board with copies of the current *Mission and Purposes* document (Addendum 2). She followed with the handout of a "Word Cloud" (Addendum 3), a working, visual representation of word elements of a mission statement developed by a committee of faculty and staff.

Dr. Weiland asked the Trustees to assist the college in reviewing the current Mission and Purposes statement, in providing feedback, in participating in the rewriting of the statement, and, when completed, approving the final mission statement. Dr. Weiland presented the following guidelines for their consideration:

- 1) Define what the college does
- 2) Define the population the college serves
- 3) Define the unique opportunities the college offers
- 4) Define the needs of the college; including business activities, etc.
- 5) Define core values that guide the college's decisions
- 6) Incorporate the college's vision for the future with an emphasis on its uniqueness

A lengthy discussion followed covering such topics as: meeting the challenge of workforce development; attracting veterans and developing online educational opportunities for military personnel; attracting and serving the needs of international students, including global education opportunities; the importance of "marketing" the uniqueness of the college; and engaging board members in the decision making process at the state level, as requested by the Ohio Board of Regents.

Dr. Erickson introduced Derek Bobo, Interim Director of Institutional Research and Planning. Mr. Bobo used an interactive PowerPoint presentation (Addendum 4) to further facilitate the discussion of the strategic plan and the interfacing of master and operational planning levels.

Lengthy discussion followed covering such topics as: the importance of relating the strategic plan to biennial state funding; incorporating sustainability goals; identifying program outcomes and viability based upon the economic climate and employment demands; soliciting feedback from employers and alumni; the optimal use of space utilization and scheduling opportunities; the anticipated conversion from quarters to semesters; STEM education; and expanding four year degree partnership opportunities.

Dr. Geiger thanked Mr. Bobo for his presentation and the board for their input. He anticipates continuing the strategic planning discussion during the summer board meetings with the goal of board approval of the plan in Fall 2010.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Geiger presented to the board for their consideration *Resolution in Support of State Issue 1* (Addendum 5) supporting the Ohio Third Frontier initiative ensuring continued financial assistance for research, product innovation, and commercialization in support of Ohio industries and businesses. The Third Frontier Fuel Cell Program awarded funding to a partnership between Hocking College and NexTech Materials, Inc. to develop and commercialize a new family of solid oxide fuel cells that can efficiently and cleanly convert hydrocarbon fuels to electric power.

Trustee Murtha moved, seconded by Trustee Light to endorse the passage of *State Issue 1*.

Voting Yes: Trustee Geiger, Trustee Light, Trustee Murtha, Trustee Newlon, Trustee Starner, and Trustee Willard.

Voting No: None.

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Monthly Finance Report

Dr. Hill provided Board members with copies of the *Monthly Financial Statements For The Period Ending 3/31/10*, (Addendum 6). Dr. Geiger moved,

seconded by Trustee Willard, that the monthly budget for March 2010 be approved.

Voting Yes: Trustee Geiger, Trustee Light, Trustee Murtha, Trustee Newlon, Trustee Starner, and Trustee Willard.

Voting No: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Light moved, seconded by Trustee Willard, that the Board of Trustees adjourn into Executive Session for the purposes of preparation for and the review of a collective bargaining strategy; the review of pending litigation, and possible court action; and the consideration of employee appointments. Time of the motion was 9:45 A.M.

Voting Yes: Trustee Geiger, Trustee Light, Trustee Murtha, Trustee Newlon, Trustee Starner, and Trustee Willard.

Voting No: None.

Also attending were President Ron Erickson, Dr. Myriah Short, Interim Vice President of Administration; Dr. J. William Hill, Financial Assistant to the Vice President; Mrs. Gina Fetty, Vice President of Financial Services; and Attorney Gary S. Batke, Legal Counsel for Labor Negotiations.

(The following discussion reported by Trustee Geiger):

Collective Bargaining: Trustees reviewed the preliminary bargaining positions shared between the negotiating parties, the possible college language positions, and financial considerations to be negotiated. At this point, all in attendance except President Erickson and the Trustees were excused.

Litigation Matters: Current legal and investigative matters were reviewed for their status.

Employee Appointments: Conditions of recent employee appointments were reviewed.

REGULAR SESSION

Trustee Starner moved, seconded by Trustee Murtha, that the Board return to Regular Session at 11:45 A.M.

Voting Yes: Trustee Geiger, Trustee Light, Trustee Murtha, Trustee Newlon, Trustee Starner, and Trustee Willard.

Voting No: None

MEETING AND DATES


Trustee Geiger announced that the Board of Trustees will resume meeting on the fourth Tuesday of every month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 4:30 P.M. followed by the annual President's List Dinner at 6:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee Geiger adjourned the meeting at 11:55 A.M.



Trustee Geiger, Chairperson



Nancy Vandeman, Recording Secretary