

HOCKING COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Tuesday, August 24, 2010
5:00 P.M.
Inn at Hocking College

AGENDA

- Call to Order Trustee Geiger
- Roll Call Ms. Judy Sinnott
- Approval of Minutes: July 27, 2010 Board Meeting Trustee Geiger
- Enrollment Report Mr. Derek Bobo
- Academic Committee Report Trustee Light/
Dr. Molly Weiland
- Budget Committee Report/Action Trustee Willard/
Ms. Gina Fetty
- Personnel Committee Report Trustee Cardaras/
Mr. John Sanders
- Facilities Committee Report Trustee Murtha /
Dr. Myriah Short
- President's Report Dr. Ron Erickson
- Chairman's Report Trustee Geiger
- Executive Session Trustee Geiger
- Old Business Trustee Geiger
- New Business Trustee Geiger
 - Date of Next Meeting
- Adjournment Trustee Geiger

AUGUST 24, 2010

The regular meeting of the Hocking College Board of Trustees was held Tuesday, August 24, 2010, at the Inn at Hocking College, Nelsonville, OH.

Administrators attending: Dr. Ron Erickson, President; Dr. Molly Weiland, Provost; Gina Fetty, Vice President Financial Services; Dr. Myriah Short, Interim Vice President Administrative Services; Dr. J. William Hill, Senior Vice President; Sue Chiki, Associate Provost; Neil Hinton, Dean, School of Engineering and Technology; Dr. Jerry Hutton, Dean, Hocking College Energy Institute; Ken Bowald, Associate Dean, School of Natural Resources; Judy Sinnott, Director, College and Community Relations; and John Sanders, Director, Human Resources.

Additional attendees: Members of faculty and staff; media; and Ms. Rebecca Albers, Chief, Education Section, Office of the Ohio Attorney General.

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Alan Geiger, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Judy Sinnott called the roll in the absence of Nancy Vandeman, Recording Secretary:

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

Board members absent: Mr. Van Cardaras

Members present constitute quorum: Yes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Light moved, seconded by Trustee Murtha, to approval the minutes of the July 27, 2010 Board of Trustees meeting.

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

Voting No: None.

ENROLLMENT REPORT:

President Erickson provided same day comparison enrollment numbers for Fall Quarter with 3,888 total heads, compared to 3,609 for the same day last year. Eligible headcount is 3,706 compared to 3,485 in 2009 and Eligible FTE is 1,096, an increase of 200 over the same day last year (Addendum 1).

Dr. Weiland said that with more than a month before Fall Quarter begins an additional 1,000-1,500 students (Addendum 2) could potentially enroll. She anticipates 2010 enrollment will exceed last year's record enrollment of 6,341.

The Provost shared her concerns for resources, both classroom space and adequate instructional staff, to meet student needs but said every effort will be made to accommodate students through increased evening classes and utilization of space and resources. She noted that many who enroll at the last minute will be at risk students who are more likely to need extra academic help.

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT/ACTION:

Vice President Fetty said the new format for budget reports is not yet in place. She said exemptions to the hiring freeze have been tabled at the recommendation of the Budget Committee since financial resources are not in place to support new hires.

The cost of operating Auxiliary Units (Addendum 3) is being reviewed to determine if the educational value is there to continue subsidizing these units. She said any budget overages are mostly timing issues and that maintenance contracts paid this year were not incurred in July 2009.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT/ACTION:

Trustee Murtha reported that his Committee decided to suspend discussions regarding housing at the Logan site. He said other meeting topics included: entry signage at Routes 33 and 691, property acquisition and a facilities master plan.

Interim Vice President Short talked about the energy projects that are underway as the College works toward its goal of reducing its carbon footprint. She said one of the first considerations is to look at bidding out electrical supply contracts and provided a list of bid results from four potential suppliers (Addendum 4). No action was taken.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Regional Trustees Conference

President Erickson reminded Trustees of the September 8, 2010 Regional Trustees Conference (Addendum 5) at Zane State Community College in Zanesville saying Presidents and Trustees are encouraged.

Governance Institute on Student Success

Trustees Willard and Geiger will join President Erickson in Dublin (Ohio) for the Governance Institute on Student Success, a symposium of trustees and presidents from all OACC institutions that is being sponsored through the Gates Foundation. Ohio was selected as the national pilot programs which will focus on assisting two-year college boards in analyzing and acting upon student success data in the areas of developmental education, retention, transfer, and graduation.

Campuses See Rise in Severe Mental Illness Cases

Dr. Erickson shared a handout (Addendum 6) provided by Dr. Roger Buck, Interim Director of Counseling, discussing the increased number of students arriving on campus with preexisting psychological issues. The President said the College is well prepared to face the challenges with the excellent department led by Dr. Buck with Kathleen Kutsko and Dr. Steve Miller.

OACC Presidents Meeting

The President mentioned a couple of topics discussed during the recent monthly meeting of the two-year college Presidents:

- Phone interviews of 1,000 individuals across the state indicate a strong understanding of the commitment by Community Colleges to support economic development.
- All indications are that the populace is not in favor of increasing tuition to meet budget shortfalls

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Trustee Geiger reported that three Board terms are expiring, his own, and those of Mrs. Light and Mr. Cardaras. Each has expressed an interest to be reappointed. The Caucus will meet Tuesday, August 31, 2010 to make their decisions.

Dr. Geiger said the Board will reorganize in September and appointed Trustee Willard to chair the Nominating Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

(The following discussion reported by Chairman Geiger):

Trustee Light moved, seconded by Trustee Willard, that the Board of Trustees move into Executive Session at 5:35 p.m. to prepare for and review a collective bargaining strategy, and to consider the employment of a public official.

On a roll call vote, Trustees Light, Sherburne, Willard, Starner, Newlon, Murtha and Geiger voted aye.

Attending all or a part of the Executive Session were: President Erickson, Vice President Short, Vice President Fetty and Attorney Rebecca Albers of the Attorney General's Office, Vice President Short updated trustees of the status of negotiations and noted that a Federal Mediator, Mr. George Abu, is now assisting the parties and challenging each to begin moving toward a contract agreement.

President Erickson presented, following a series of discussions, guidelines for improved communication between he and the Trustees. With minor suggestions, the Trustees accepted the guidelines and will utilize these along with his effort on the Strategic Plan as the basis for evaluating his performance over the 2010/2011 Academic Year.

Trustee Willard, seconded by Trustee Starner moved to return to Regular Session.

On a Roll Call Vote Trustees Light, Sherburne, Willard, Starner, Newlon, Murtha, and Geiger voted yes.

Voting No: None.

The Executive Session concluded at 6 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION:

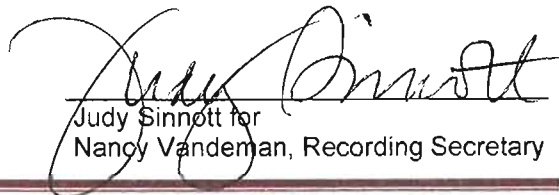
Chairman Geiger welcomed attendees to the Regular Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 6:05 P.M.



Trustee Geiger, Chairperson



Judy Sinnott for
Nancy Vandeman, Recording Secretary