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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

Southern Maine Community College / ZOOM

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Board Members Present: Joyce Maker, Chair, Peter DelGreco, Vice Chair, Margaret Angell,

Mark Fourre, Kossi Gamedah, Winnie LaRochelle, Anne Roosevelt,

Kate Rush, and Cherie Wendelken

Absent: Jane Gilbert, Jean Ginn-Marvin, Commissioner Pender Makin,

Elizabeth Neptune, and Commissioner Laura Fortman

Others Present: David Daigler, President and Secretary, and Bonnie Brown, Clerk

Vice Chair Peter Delgreco determined that a quorum of Trustees was present and no request from the public to address the Board of Trustees had been received. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Resolution to Approve Minutes of Meetings

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Board of Trustee minutes dated November 14, 2023, January 3, 2024 and January 11, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote to accept the minutes as presented.

A motion was made to ratify the Executive Committee minutes dated December 13, 2023 and January 23, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote to accept the minutes as presented.

MCCS SYSTEM PRESIDENT REPORT

President Daigler provided the trustees with an overview of Free College and more specifically the plans being developed to sustain the momentum provided through Free College, which is

currently funded through this June's graduates. A discussion regarding the new FASFA reporting structure and the need to provide support to students through the process. Enrollment programs have been strong especially in the nursing/healthcare area where expansion goals have been achieved. Other programs are in transformation to further meet the specific needs of industry and students. A discussion followed regarding the role of employer contributions in workforce development and the engagement of older workers, retirees, and new Mainers.

An update on SIS information and the transition to information technology shares services was provided, noting the process is moving forward due to the support of the college presidents and staff who are working very hard to keep the process on schedule.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee

Trustee Anne Roosevelt reported the program reviews were completed. The following program changes were reviewed, and the committee recommended the program changes be approved as presented:

Resolution to Approve Program Changes

New Certificate (303.1)

Nursing A.S. WCCC

Substantive Change to Program (305.1)

Architecture and Civil Engineering CMCC

New Program: Architectural Studies

A motion was made and seconded to approve the program changes as presented. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was unanimously approved.

Finance Committee

Trustee Kate Rush noted the committee has not met since the last report. The committee presented the Audited Financial Statements FY23 for approval. The OPEGA report was reviewed, and no further action was required.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Audited Financial Statements FY23 as presented. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was unanimously approved.

Strategic Planning

Trustee Margaret Angell reported the committee has not met since the last update.

Workforce Development Committee

Trustee Kossi Gamedah provided an overview of the meeting. The SMCC workforce group presentation included testimonies from three students who have benefited from the programs provided through Workforce Development funding.

Tiffany Bentley, SMCC Dean of Administration, provided an overview of SMCC and introduced three SMCC students who shared their experiences at Southern Maine Community College.

There being no further business to be addressed by the Trustees, the meeting adjourned at noon.

David Daigler

President & Secretary

Maine Community College System

Peter DelGreco

Vice Chair

Maine Community College System