

MINUTES
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 14, 2024
5:00 pm, Regular Meeting
FGC Administration Building, Board Room

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees was called to order March 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson David Crawford.

Board members Ms. Suzanne Norris and Dr. Miguel Tepedino were absent.

All votes were unanimous unless stated otherwise.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Board member Mr. Renae Allen led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Audience of Any Citizen

Mr. Stew Lilker addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed charter school.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Kathryn McInnis made a motion to approve the February 8, 2024 Board meeting minutes. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Student Government Report

There was no report.

VI. Presentation of Consent Agenda

- A. *Personnel Matters
- B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
- C. *Surplus Property
- D. *Approval of New Courses
- E. *Approval of Course Changes
- F. *Approval of Program Changes
- G. *Approval of New Policy 6Hx12:6-52, Facility Requirements Based on Gender
- H. *Approval of 2024-2025 Academic Calendar

Dr. Jim Surrency made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items "A" through "H". Ms. Kathryn McInnis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VII.

Academic Affairs

Dr. Lawrence Barrett, President, started the Academic Affairs report by saying our Early Childhood, A.S. program hosted a three-member onsite review team for the NAEYC reaccreditation process this week and received positive feedback. We will receive the onsite team's report by the end of the semester. Pam Carswell is still working with the local school systems on implementing the Teacher Apprenticeship Program.

Dr. Barrett continued by saying the FGC Art Club invited a local working artist from Gainesville to do a metal clay workshop for students and answer questions about having an art career. The Brain Bowl team competed in the national championship this past weekend and placed 10th in the nation. The team will be competing in the final state competition at Santa Fe College March 22-23.

President Barrett introduced Dr. Troy Appling, FGC English Instructor. Dr. Appling announced that last month our "Howl!" student literary magazine competed in the Florida College System Publication Association annual competition and won five awards in the poem, poetry section, nonfiction, individual artwork, and individual photo categories.

Our welding professor, Joseph Ganser, has been selected to serve on Lincoln Electric's National Board for Welding Education. FGC Public Safety Programs has expanded the noncredit credit courses we provide to our local first responders.

Dr. Barrett closed his report by inviting Trustees to attend the FGC Theater Department's summer production "Peter and the Star Catcher" this play will be held in the Levy Performing Arts Center on June 27-30.

VIII.

Student Affairs and Public Information

Ms. Michelle Holloway, Vice President of Business Services gave the Student Affairs report in Mr. Cardenas's absence. Ms. Holloway gave an update on the Athletic Department. The 2024 FGC Athletic Hall of Fame inductees are David Kessler and Glenn Wyche, both veterans of FGC Men's Basketball program.

Lastly, our TRIO program hosted its annual financial literacy meeting this month with more than 72 students over two sessions. Our first annual "Spirt Week" was successful, this event was held February 24th to March 2nd. On April 15th a LifeSouth Blood Drive is scheduled on campus.

IX.

Enrollment and Marketing

Ms. Kacey Schrader, Dean of Enrollment and Marketing, reported on Spring enrollment. FGC is currently up 1% in credit hours. Summer registration began on April 1st, we are currently up in applications.

Ms. Schrader continued her report by stating they hosted a Spring Grad Fair today; this event will help students prepare for Graduation on May 3rd. The Financial Aid Department has been working to promote the 2024-25 FAFSA and awareness about all new forms of financial assistance. They hosted a FAFSA Brunch in the Library on Saturday, March 12th, and will be hosting a FAFSA workshop on March 28th. The deadline for the 2024 FGC Board of Trustee Scholarship application deadline is March 15th. We will be receiving

additional Open-Door Grant funding; this funding will extend through August. These funds support students in our short term CTE programs.

X. Business Services

Ms. Michelle Holloway, Vice-President of Business Services requested Board consideration of the following items:

B.* Budget Amendment Number Seven (7) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Seven (7) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Mr. Chuck Brannan seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. *Budget Amendment Number Seven (7) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Mr. Lindsey Lander made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Seven (7) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2023-24. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. President's Report

Dr. Barrett started his report by announcing the 2024 FGC Friend of the Foundation will be awarded to the Dixie County Education Foundation, as they have been a strong partner to the college for many years.

President Barrett updated Board members on ongoing and upcoming construction projects. The Levy Performing Arts Center renovation is complete. The utilities for the STEM II building are almost complete. Roadwork will begin shortly in front of building 001, they will be installing drainage and a road between building 001 and building 010. The drainage project for the Dorms is ongoing.

Dr. Barrett gave a legislative update, FGC had two projects to be approved, welding expansion and renovation and water proofing of 4 buildings. The Florida College System colleges were approved to be eligible for State insurance, this will drastically lower the cost of family coverage for FGC employees. FGC also received one million in reoccurring funds.

Dr. Barrett invited Board members to the 40th anniversary play "1940's Radio Hour". This play will be produced by 14 alumni who originally produced the play in 1984. This production will take place in the Summer of 2024.

B.* Approval of Charter School Application

Mr. Crawford suggested the Board postpone this action item until additional information is provided and another discussion with all Board members could be held. After a discussion

from Board members it was decided to have further discussions on the proposed Charter School during the May 9th Board Workshop.

Mr. Chuck Brannan made a motion to postpone approval of Charter School Application. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

XIII. Topics for Future Meetings

XIV. Inspect Warrant Register

XV. Set Time for the Next Meeting

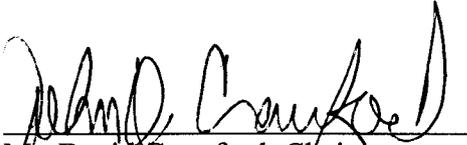
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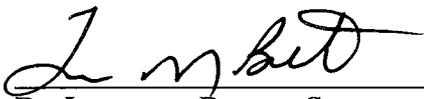
5:00 pm Regular Meeting

Location Regular meeting: Florida Gateway College Board Room
Administration Bldg. 1

Mr. Lindsey Lander made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 pm


Mr. David Crawford, Chair


Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary