

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF THE HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Hinds Community College District met at 1:00 p.m., February 2, 2022 at Fountain Hall, Centennial Room, Raymond Campus, by participating in person for those who could attend and by Zoom, a video conferencing, due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. The following members were present:

Mr. Paul Breazeale, President in person
Mr. Donald Oakes, Vice President in person
Dr. Delesicia Martin, Secretary in person
Mr. Chad Shealy in person
Dr. Homer Burns in person
Mr. Rickey Clopton in person
Dr. Leslie Horton in person
Mr. Donald McGowan in person
Dr. Cardell Williams in person
Dr. Scott Rimes in person
Mrs. Dana Stringer in person
Mr. Larry Swales in person
Mr. Jimmy Morton in person
Dr. Sandra Nash in person

Others present were the President of Hinds Community College, Dr. Stephen Vacik; Mr. John Hooks, Board Attorney by Zoom; Bill Campbell, District Project Architect; members of the Executive Leadership Team: Randall Harris, Vice President of Operations & Student Services; Dr. Keri Cole, Vice President of Instruction/Academic & Transfer; Renee Cotton, Chief of Staff; Sherry Franklin Bellmon, Vice President of Instruction/Career & Technical Education; Dr. Vic Parker, Vice President of Finance; Matt Jones, Executive Director of the Foundation; Dr. Ginger Robbins, Executive Director Legislative Affairs; Andrea Janoush, Vice President of Human Resources; Marvin Moak, Vice President of Auxiliary Services & Workforce Liaison and Dr. Jenny Miles, Vice President Student Services. *Guest- Dr. Marquise Kessee*

Call to Order. The Board President called the meeting to order and asked Dr. Homer Burns to pray.

Approve January 12, 2022 Minutes. Upon motion by Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Shealy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 12, 2022, as mailed. A copy is on file and made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Budget Summary. Mr. Oakes reported there are some improvements in our financial situation. He then asked Dr. Parker to present the Budget Summary. Dr. Parker reported with five months remaining in the fiscal year we have 47.83% remaining. We should be at 41.67%. It shows we are 6.16% ahead. It was decided our revenues from the Fall semester are not keeping track with what was budgeted, therefore we are going to pull 5.2% back from our budget to make sure that we remain within good standards. That will still put us at .96% ahead.

Claim Dockets and Architects' Estimates. Dr. Parker reported our net position as of January 31, 2022 is \$13,507,605.99 in Cash. The net position in our Money Market is \$2,000,020.68. We have \$1,997,832.20 in the Raymond James account. The total net position is \$17,531,419.70.

The monthly expenses for January 2022 total \$2,114,993.00. Fund 1, unrestricted fund, we spent \$585,122.00 (27.67%). The majority of our expenses for January were from Fund 2, grant funded. That total is \$1,192,830.00 (55%).

Following a complete and thorough discussion of the Claim Dockets and Architects' Estimates and upon motion by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Williams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Claim Dockets and Architects' Estimates.

Approve Bid Log. Dr. Parker reported there are two items to bring before the Board for approval.

The first item is a bid for an HVAC upgrade and renovation at the Muse Center on the Rankin Campus. We received two bids. This is a HEERF funded project. We ask for approval for the lowest bid from WME Applied Systems for \$59,844.55.

The second item is an RFP. This RFP is for our mobile computer devices. CDWG, based on our scoring table, got the RFP high score. CDWG received a higher scoring on cost and service plan. This is the RFP we are submitting to the Board for approval.

Following discussion and upon motion by Mr. Shealy, seconded by Dr. Martin, the Board voted unanimously to approve bid 3231 by WME and the CDWG RFP.

Property Recommend Surplus to the Needs of the College. Following discussion, and upon motion by Mr. Clopton, seconded by Mr. Shealy, the Board voted unanimously to allow the College President to dispose of the salvaged property by any legal means. Copies of this property are on file and made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Recommend Personnel. The College President reported there is one new faculty/instructional to recommend for Board approval. **After discussion and upon motion by Mr. Shealy, seconded by Dr. Martin, the following personnel were unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.**

Lauren Lawson, Biology Instructor, Vicksburg Campus, replacing Tanisha Hinton, Salary \$36,549.00, employment effective date January 11, 2022.

President's Report. There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board President called on the College President for his report.

Board Briefing. The College President briefly highlighted the following topics from the Board Briefing:

Aspen Award

- Hinds was chosen to be one of the top ten finalists to participate in a follow up call. The top prize is one million dollars.

Project Updates

- Health Sciences Complex (detailed information is included in the Board packets). Hopefully moving forward in the not too distant future.
- The MCity Project – will schedule a meeting for discussion on the lease. (The Project Proposal is included in the Board packets).
- We are still looking into the possibility of trying to find the resources for a new residence hall on the Utica Campus.

- We have spoken with a group called Geo Surfaces out of Louisiana in regard to improvements for several of our athletic fields. Funding for this project will need to come from outside fundraising.
- The Jackson Campus renovation project-the College President feels this is the second most important project with the Health Sciences Complex being number one.

Legislative Update-the College President briefly discussed the following House Bills:

- HB 464-"College Sticker Price Act of 2022"; enact to provide students and families certain program and cost information.
- HB 1036-the bill to require community colleges to assess students a \$10 fee to offset costs of fire protection provided by local governing authorities.
- HB 1524 (Ways & Means).
- HB 1006-supplemental nursing fund.
- HB 884-accelerate MS Scholarship program – Dual Credit.
- HB 935-completion of workforce training for those in a judicial diversion program.
- A group of six will be attending the ACCT Legislative Summit in Washington DC February 6-9, 2022. Meetings have been planned.

New Staff Introductions

- Dr. Jenny Miles is the new Vice President of Student Services.
- Dr. Marquise Kessee is the new Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

Miscellaneous

- SACSCOC-we will be hosting a team from SACSCOC. We will have a virtual call next week.
- Hinds will be hosting the 2022 MS State Robotics Competition in February.
- We will be conducting Facilities Audit this Spring.
- Eagle Ridge Conference Center and the Muse Center bookings are increasing.
- Caring Campus day is scheduled for March 11, 2022.
- The College President asked the Board of Trustees to consider meeting at the Utica Campus for the March 2, 2022 Trustees meeting.

Enrollment Report. Mr. Harris reported FTE is down 6.7%. Mr. Harris asked for any questions and there were none.

Executive Leadership Team Updates. The College President reported the members of the Executive Leadership Team are present. A copy of their report has been provided for review. The College President asked if the Board of Trustees had any questions for ELT members. There were no questions or comments.

Committee Reports.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Oakes reported the Finance Committee met on January 18, 2022. The committee is presenting three recommendations to the Board. It is the desire of the Finance Committee for these three recommendations to be considered for adoption and put into the budget process. The detailed minutes, agenda and supporting documentation of the Finance Committee meeting are included in the Board Packet.

The first recommendation deals with tuition/fees. The second recommendation deals with housing/meal plan fees. The third recommendation deals with dual credit fees.


Mr. Oakes reported the first and second recommendations passed unanimously by the Finance Committee. The third recommendation passed five to one with a "nay" by Dr. Martin.

The Board President opened the floor for discussion. After discussion there were concerns voiced by some Board members regarding the third recommendation dealing with Dual Credit. The Board President stated we will have thirty days to reflect on these recommendations in order to vote at the March 2022 Board meeting.

Old Business. There was no old business.

Other Business. There was no other business.

There was no other business to discuss and the Board President announced we stand adjourned at 2:26 p.m.



Mr. Paul Breazeale, President



Dr. Delesicia Martin, Secretary