

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Garden City, New York

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

Meeting of March 27, 2018

The six hundred and fourteenth meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 on the eleventh floor of the Administrative Tower. The meeting was called to order by Chair Gardyn at 6:35 p.m. followed by a salute to the flag.

Present: Jorge L. Gardyn, Chair
Kathy Weiss, Vice Chair
Edward Powers, Secretary;
John A. DeGrace, Wanda H. Jackson, Thérèse Russell Student Trustee.

Absent: Linda H. Green, Donna M. Tuman

Also in attendance: President Keen

Chair Gardyn requested a motion that pursuant to Section 105 of the Open Meetings Law of the State of New York, the Board of Trustees shall enter Executive Session for the following purposes: 1) to discuss matters relating to negotiations involving the Nassau Community College Administrators Association; and 2) of reviewing the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Trustee Weiss moved the motion; seconded by Trustee Jackson. Motion carried 6-0.

Chair Gardyn resumed the open meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Present: Jorge L. Gardyn, Chair
Kathy Weiss, Vice Chair
Edward Powers, Secretary;
John A. DeGrace, Wanda H. Jackson, Thérèse Russell Student Trustee.

Absent: Linda H. Green, Donna M. Tuman

Also in attendance: President Keen

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of December 12, 2017 and January 9, 2018 were not approved, as there were not enough Board members present who attended those meetings.

1. Trustee Weiss introduced the following resolution:

RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FINANCE AND CAPITAL COMMITTEE THE NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY APPROVES THAT THE RENTAL FEE BE WAIVED FOR USE OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMPLEX FOR THE 2018

NASSAU COUNTY EMPIRE STATE GAMES FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED, SCHEDULED FROM THURSDAY, MAY 31 THROUGH SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018 AND BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT ALL ASSOCIATED PERSONNEL AND MAINTENANCE COSTS WILL BE BORNE BY THE USER.

Chair Gardyn requested a motion to consider this item. Trustee Weiss moved the motion; seconded by Trustee Jackson. Motion carried 6-0.

2. Trustee Jackson introduced the following resolution:

RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PERSONNEL, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION & LABOR COMMITTEE THE NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY APPROVES THAT THAT IN RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE, AND UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THE FOLLOWING NAMED RETIRED FACULTY MEMBERS OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE WHO RETIRED AFTER ATTAINING THE ACADEMIC RANK OF PROFESSOR OR ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ARE HEREBY GRANTED THE PERMANENT ACADEMIC TITLE OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS WITH ALL THE PRIVILEGES AND RIGHTS ACCRUING THERETO.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Retirement Date</u>
Lynn Mazzola	Full Professor		

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Promotion to Technical Assistant IV

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6. Discussion: First Read of Policy 2400: Civility

Trustee Weiss stated the purpose of Policy 2400: Civility is to promote civility and respect, educate the College

Dr. Keen reported on the following items:

1. The College lost three full days and two half-days of classes from weather cancellations within the first two weeks of March. Our academic calendar has make-up days built into it but with contingencies that must be resolved. We have rescheduled some missed time, and the Academic Senate will consider other additions. We have learned from these cancellations potential strategies to accommodate the loss of instructional time when developing academic calendars which the Calendar Committee will address at the April 17 meeting.
2. He congratulated ten of our students who will be recognized as recipients of the prestigious SUNY are very carefully screened and are an outstanding group of top performers frequently involved on campus.
3. He celebrated other student accomplishments. The Speech and Debate Team has again earned awards for its performance in national competition. Our Student Trustee, Thérèse Russell, was among the honorees last year before she assumed Board responsibilities. He extolled the program, which produces perennial won the national division championship, and Coach Paul Schmidt, who was voted national Coach of the Year in our division.
4. He cited an important advance in changing the Placement Testing procedure and student course sequence after completion of the exams. He praised three Department Chairs for their excellent leadership in their work with Dr. Valerie Collins, Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs: Dr. Cathy Fagan, English, Prof. Stuart Kaplan, Math, and Dr. Cheryl Novins, Reading/Basic Education Program. This modification has been adopted by the Academic Senate. He recognized Dr. Fagan and the English Department in particular for pioneering a new introductory English writing course that has led to students earning more credit in their first year than under former procedure. This reform not only will lead to students earning more credit, but is the first step in a more comprehensive examination of the first-year curriculum and course sequence for students during their first year at the College. We anticipate additional ongoing efforts in the Fall.
5. Dr. Collins has formed a committee to develop the Monitoring Report for delivery to the Middle States Commission by September 1, 2018. Letters of appointment and thanks for their anticipated service were issued to members earlier on this day.
6. The Graduation Subcommittee of the Student Activities Committee has been working on new procedures for stage management of the upcoming commencement ceremony at Nassau Coliseum on Sunday, May 20. Subcommittee members are recruiting additional faculty to serve as marshals to help the procession of students flow more efficiently.

Speaker

Frank Frisenda, NCCFT President, commented that he recognizes that Civility Policy 2400 reflects careful contemplation and consideration of campus feedback, expr

Chair Gardyn announced the next Capital and Finance BOT Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Full Board meeting. The Board will open the public session between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. and resume the public session approximately 7:30 p.m.

Chair Gardyn requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Weiss moved the motion; seconded by Trustee Jackson. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward W. Powers
Secretary