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Minutes
Edison State College
District Board of Trustees
Charlotte Campus – Auditorium, O-124
April 24, 2012
2:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The District Board of Trustees of Edison State College met in regular session in Charlotte County, Florida, on April 24, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. with the meeting called to order by Ann Berlam, Chair.

Present: Ann Berlam, Chair
Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, Vice Chair
Brian Chapman, Jr.
Dr. Randall Parrish, Jr.
Julia Perry
Braxton Rhone
Christopher Vernon
Sankey E. "Eddie" Webb, III

Others: J. Dudlely Goodlette, Interim District President
June Hollingshead, Recorder

Introduction of Guests and Public Comment – None

Reports to the District Board of Trustees

Charlotte Campus President's Report (Presenter: Dr. Pat Land)

Dr. Land presented an overall campus report of activities for the last year, including the new Campus Wayfinding System, Welcome Week, Academic Success Center, Faculty/Staff Mentoring Program, American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Keystone Society Gallery, Cultural Arts Club, faculty civic engagement, academic excellence, and the theatre performance of *Hairspray* to a sellout crowd.

Faculty Senate Report (Presenter: Dr. Bill Wilcox)

Introduction – New District Faculty Senate President and other officers

Dr. Wilcox introduced the following new Faculty Senate Officers for 2012-2013:

- Collier Campus: Dr. Joan Van Glabek, President; Dr. James Daniels, Vice President; and Marius Coleman, Secretary

- Charlotte Campus: Dr. Bill Wilcox, President; Amanda Pollitt-Lehrian, Vice President; and Janice Jaen, Secretary
- Lee Campus: Don Ransford, President; Marty Ambrose, Vice President; and Dr. Catherine Wilkins, Secretary

Dr. Talbot Spivak Holocaust Memorial Week Events (Presenters: Prof. Rona Axelrod and Prof. JoAnn Lewin)

Professors Axelrod and Lewin provided an overview of Holocaust Memorial Week activities held March 26-30, 2012, including faculty lectures, survivor talks, roundtable discussions, and the Holocaust boxcar.

SACS Report (Presenter: Dr. Erin Harrel)

Dr. Harrel noted that the final SACS report was delivered to SACS, with the outcome to be announced in June.

Legal Update Report (Presenter: Mr. Mark Lupe)

- With regard to the Steve Atkins suit, an answer has been filed by the College's legal counsel and the matter is now pending a case management conference. A case management report will be filed which sets all of the dates for the case. Mr. Lupe anticipates that will occur within the next month.
- The Robert Beeson case was filed on April 16, 2012. John Campbell of the Costangy firm has been appointed to represent the College in that litigation.
- Working with the Board Chair, Mr. Lupe developed a College Operating Procedure dealing with public input pertaining to matters not on Board meeting agendas. Written notice to the District President's office is required seven days prior to the Board meeting to ensure that the topic is appropriate and that staff have adequate time to gather background information for the Board.

Presidential Search Committee Update Report (Presenter: Mrs. Ann Berlam)

Mrs. Berlam reported on the Presidential search website and the profile there which was developed by John Hicks. Thirty+ applications have been posted to the site in the order in which they were received. Mr. Hicks is also reaching out to his contacts across the country for other possible candidates. The next meeting of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee is scheduled for May 8 on the Lee campus, and will be a working meeting. All input from the thirteen committee members will be reviewed regarding which candidates they wish to move forward for the Search Committee to interview. The list of thirty+ candidates will be narrowed to 8-10

names. Tentative dates for Committee interviews are May 14 and 15. The interviews are open to the public. Mr. Hicks will work with the Committee in the interview process to ensure that it is fair to all candidates. Once the interviews are complete, the Search Committee will narrow the list of names to 3-5 names for the Board of Trustees to interview.

President's Comments (Presenter: Mr. J. Dudley Goodlette)

Deferred until the end of the meeting.

Old Business – None

New Business

Agenda Item #1. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting March 27, 2012
(Presenter: Mrs. Berlam) (Page 1)

MOTION by Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, seconded by Randall Parrish, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting March 27, 2012, as presented. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Braxton Rhone, seconded by Eddie Webb, to amend the agenda to move Agenda Item #6 after Agenda Item #1. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #6. Consideration of Mediator Recommendations Regarding Dr. Walker Litigation (Presenters: Mr. Lupe/Joseph Coleman) (Information to be distributed at meeting)

The College's attorney, Joe Coleman, from the law firm of Fowler White Boggs, presented the mediator's recommendation for the Board of Trustees' consideration and distributed two documents:

1. "Proposed Settlement Agreement By and Between Edison State College and Dr. Kenneth Walker", including a section entitled "Best Interests of Edison State College" (see Attachment #1)
2. "Mediated Settlement Agreement and General Release" (see Attachment #2)

Mr. Coleman confirmed that, based on his firm's investigation, the Board of Trustees acted appropriately in terminating Dr. Walker, and that the proposed settlement was in the best interest of the College.

MOTION by Brian Chapman, seconded by Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, to accept the proposed mediation settlement between Edison State College and Dr. Kenneth Walker, as presented. Motion carried 7 to 1, with Chris Vernon voting "no."

Agenda Item #2. Approval of the 2011-2012 Annual Equity Update Report (Presenter: Mr. Dente/Board Liaison: Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti) (Page 5) (Bound backup in rear)

MOTION by Chris Vernon, seconded by Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, to approve the 2011-2012 Annual Equity Update Report, as presented. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Items #3, #4, and #5. Approval to Accept 2012-2013 Faculty Contract Recommendations (Page 6), 2012-2013 Administrative Contract Recommendations (Page 11), and 2012-2013 Executive Contract Recommendations (Presenter: Mr. Dente/Board Liaison: Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti) (Page 13)

MOTION by Brian Chapman, seconded by Randall Parrish, to accept the 2012-2013 Faculty, Administrative, and Executive Contract Recommendations, as presented. Approved unanimously.

Other Business:

Faculty Comments

Agenda Item #7. Request by Dr. Cheryl Turton to Address District Board of Trustees

Dr. Turton shared her opinions with the Board regarding her experiences in the RN to BSN Program.

Consent Agenda

Agenda Item #8. Approval of Personnel Actions (Presenter: Mr. Dente/Board Liaison: Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti) (Page 15)

MOTION by Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, seconded by Eddie Webb, to approve the personnel actions, as presented. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #9. Financial Services Consent Agenda – Budget Amendments (Presenter: Mrs. Doeble/Board Liaison: Mr. Webb) (Page 20)

MOTION by Eddie Webb, seconded by Chris Vernon, to approve the Financial Services Consent Agenda – Budget Amendments, as presented. Approved unanimously.

Information Only

Agenda Item #10. Edison State College Monthly Financial Report (Presenter: Mrs. Doeble/Board Liaison: Mr. Webb) (Page 23)

Mrs. Doeble presented the Monthly Financial Report for information only.

Written Reports – None

Professional Development – Student Services Overview (Dr. Russell Watjen)

Dr. Watjen gave a PowerPoint presentation on Student Services comprised of six priorities addressing SACS-related concerns which included installing confidence in the College's records management, improving coordination of student services across all campuses, clarifying organizational structure, expanding and building on advising support available to students on all campuses, unifying enrollment management functions, and streamlining administration of student conduct.

President's Comments

President Goodlette emphasized the privilege it is to have Dr. Watjen at the College. He congratulated the three reappointed Board members: Mr. Chapman, Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti, and Mr. Webb. He reiterated the hiring of nineteen new faculty members, and initiatives to balance the budget including no tuition hikes and no employee pay raises.

Board Members' Comments

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

J. Dudley Goodlette, J.D.
Interim District President
District Board of Trustees

Ann Berlam, Chair
District Board of Trustees

Date

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Reconvene:

Following a 5-minute break, the Edison State College District Board of Trustees reconvened as the Edison State College Charter Schools Governing Board.

Minutes
Edison State College
Charter Schools Governing Board
Charlotte Campus – Auditorium, O-124
April 24, 2012
4:33 p.m.

Call to Order

The District Board of Trustees of Edison State College met in regular session as the Charter Schools Governing Board in Charlotte County, Florida, on April 24, 2012 at 4:33 p.m. with the meeting called to order by Ann Berlam, Chair.

Present: Ann Berlam, Chair
Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, Vice Chair
Brian Chapman, Jr.
Dr. Randall Parrish, Jr.
Julia Perry
Braxton Rhone
Christopher Vernon
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Others: J. Dudlely Goodlette, Interim District President
June Hollingshead, Recorder

Introduction of Guests and Public Comment – None

Reports to the Charter Schools Governing Board:

ECHS - Charlotte Report (Presenter: Diane Juneau, Principal)

Ms. Juneau invited everyone to the May 10 Showcase of the Arts. She reported that the 1st annual golf tournament slated for May 5 whose purpose is to raise funds for ECHS scholarships has already raised over \$10,000, some of which is from faculty donations with A-School dollars. Ms. Juneau discussed the high school's differences from other collegiate high schools, primarily by having lottery admissions, being the first to start at the freshman year, and being the first to say that juniors who have not met dual enrollment requirements are allowed to stay at the collegiate high school rather than return to their regular high schools. She also noted the addition of modular classrooms and their positive impact on class size.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Agenda Item #1. Approval to Implement Fees Related to the Collegiate High Schools (Presenter: Mrs. Doeble) (Page 1)

MOTION by Brian Chapman, seconded by Julia Perry, to approve implementation of fees related to the collegiate high schools. Approved unanimously.

Other Business:

Information Only

Agenda Item #2. Edison State College Collegiate High Schools Monthly Financial Report (Presenter: Mrs. Doeble) (Page 3)

Mrs. Doeble presented the collegiate high schools' monthly financial report for information only.

Written Reports

Agenda Item #3. Monthly Report on Edison Collegiate High School – Charlotte (Page 7)

A written report was presented for information only.

Agenda Item #4. Monthly Report on Edison Collegiate High School – Lee (Page 10)

A written report was presented for information only.

Charter School Governance Training – Training was presented in O-117.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



J. Dudley Goodlette, J.D.
Interim District President
District Board of Trustees

5/22/12
Date



Ann Berlam, Chair
District Board of Trustees

May, 22, 2012
Date