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Florida SouthWestern State College
District Board of Trustees
Remote via Zoom
June 23, 2020
1:30 p.m.

Call to Order

The District Board of Trustees of Florida SouthWestern State College met in regular session via Zoom on 6/23/2020 at 1:30pm with the meeting called to order by Danny Nix Jr., Chair.

Present: Danny Nix Jr., Chair
Chris Cunningham, Vice Chair
David Ciccarello
Bruce Laishley
Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti
Laura Perry
Jonathan Martin
Julia du Plooy

Absent:

Others: Dr. Jeffery Allbritten, President
Dr. Henry Peel, Chief of Staff
Dr. Eileen DeLuca, Provost
Don Ransford, Faculty

President's Remarks

President Allbritten gave opening remarks to the Board of Trustees. He shared a video highlighting the work towards the College's mission and how we maintain academic continuity and operations despite the obstacles of the pandemic.

Provost Presentation

- Dr. DeLuca introduced faculty member, Don Ransford who provided an update on FSW's One Book, One College Initiative. He described the current book selection and the purpose of the initiative as related to achieving the College's General Education Competencies.
- Dr. DeLuca gave a presentation reviewing the Trustee self-evaluation process.
 - a. She reviewed the SACSCOC Section 4; Governing Board accreditation principle.
 - b. This was followed by a discussion of Florida Statute 10001.64 which describes Florida College System Institutions board of trustee's powers and duties.
 - c. This was followed by a review of FSW's BOT policies 6Hx6.1.01: Duties, Powers, and Responsibilities of the District Board of Trustees.

- d. The BOT then reviewed the historical process that went into creating the current self-evaluation assessment tool.
- e. The members of the BOT reviewed the self-evaluation items, both Likert scale and open-ended.
- f. Dr. DeLuca shared the next steps for the 2020 administration of the self-evaluation. She also gave a suggested deadline of July 6 for BOT member feedback on the draft of the Vision, Values, Mission and Strategic Directions document that Dr. Allbritten would share next with the Board members.

2020-2021 (DRAFT) Vision, Values, Mission, Strategic Directions

President Allbritten led a review of the draft of the Vision, Values, Mission and Strategic Directions document with the Board members

Vision

Florida SouthWestern State College will be the catalyst for innovative education, which provides accessible pathways that prepare students to be enlightened and productive citizens.

Values

We value student success, integrity, intellectual inquiry, and academic rigor.

Mission

The mission of Florida SouthWestern State College is to inspire learning; prepare a diverse population for creative and responsible participation in a global society; and serve as a leader for intellectual, economic, and cultural awareness in the community.

Strategic Directions

1. Expand educational access.

Goals

- Work with regional partners to expand access to FSW degree and certificate programs through college readiness programs, articulation agreements, and scholarships.
 - Create an intuitive and seamless enrollment pipeline and increase the percentage of high school graduates from our service district who apply and enroll.
 - Support students in goal identification and outline academic pathways to keep students on track to degree and certificate completion.
2. Advance a world-class educational experience.

Goals

- Develop relevant academic and co-curricular programming that develops students as well-rounded scholars and enlightened global citizens.
 - Support curricular and programmatic innovation to enhance the academic experience, engender student achievement.
 - Create robust student engagement programs that support student connections and engender intellectual, cultural, and civic awareness in the broader community.
3. Innovate online and distance education.

Goals

- Engage in best practices to expand and innovate online and distance education to make learning accessible and responsive to global trends.
 - Identify and utilize innovative technologies across all programs to enhance student access, support, and achievement of learning objectives.
 - Provide enhanced professional development opportunities to support engagement with technologies that bolster academic achievement.
4. Prepare students for a globally competitive workforce.

Goals

- Respond to community needs for postsecondary academic education and career degree education by identifying, developing, and continually improving our workforce-related curriculum and the industry certification, college credit certificate, and degree options.
 - Develop and maintain relevant bachelor's degrees and 2+2 articulation agreements to support baccalaureate attainment and promote employability of graduates.
 - Provide non-credit training opportunities to meet the needs of local businesses, establish internship opportunities, and provide articulation pathways into certificate and degree programs.
5. Create a Culture Focused on Inclusion and Continuous Improvement

Goals

- Shape a secure environment through strategic facilities planning, campus safety initiatives, that support an inclusive campus community.
- Promote a culture of mental, physical and social wellness through programs, auxiliary services, events, and activities.
- Engage in ongoing professional development to create a positive, welcoming, and innovative environment that attracts a world-class faculty, staff, and administration focused on ensuring student success.

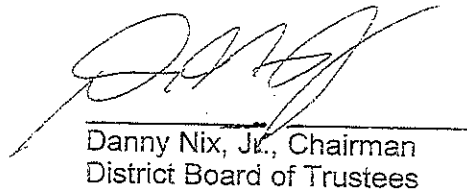
- The President and Board discussed the draft of the Vision, Values, Mission and Strategic Directions document with the Board members. He also led a presentation about current and future initiatives. BOT members gave feedback on current initiatives related to the mission as well as for the President's updated strategic directions.
- President Allbritten reiterated the further feedback could be submitted though July 6. Chairman Nix suggested the date for mission feedback and BOT self-evaluation submission be extended to July 8. Dr. DeLuca made note.

Chairman Nix and President Allbritten gave final remarks on Values, Mission and Strategic Directions.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm



Dr. Jeffery S. Allbritten
College President



Danny Nix, Jr., Chairman
District Board of Trustees

October 6, 2020