

**APPROVED**



MINUTES  
Florida SouthWestern State College  
District Board of Trustees  
ZOOM  
February 17, 2026

**Call to Order**

The District Board of Trustees of Florida SouthWestern State College met in regular session via Zoom on 2/17/26 at 10:01am with the meeting called to order by Julia du Plooy, Chair.

Present: Julia du Plooy, Chair  
Dr. Tyler Patak, Vice Chair  
Kristina Heuser  
Denise Murphy  
Eviana Martin  
Lisa Swinto

Absent: David Ciccarello  
Bill Banfield

Others: Dr. Jeffery Allbritten, President  
Danessa Dudley, Recorder

**Pledge to Flag**

**Introduction of Guests and Public Comment - None**

**President's Report**

- Introduced Dr. Ian Neuhard to discuss current Veteran's efforts
- FSW received Military Friendly Silver Status
- FSW was recognized at a Best for Vets school by the Military Times
- Currently working on Purple Star Designation for the State of Florida
- Enrollment is up 9% for FTE and 10% for head counts
- FSW is leading the state in enrollment numbers
- Gave a legislative update to include PECO funding, plans for traveling up to meet with people in the Governor's office in March, and hoping for an operational increase
- Invited Trustees to the State of the College on February 20, as well as the FSW Renaissance Faire March 11-12
- Informed Trustees that a group of administrators would be going to an HLC meeting in March
- 3 Commencement Ceremonies in May
- Discussed possible future Workshops for the Trustees
- Brining in Director of Communications

**Vote to Take Action On**

Agenda Item 1. Approval of minutes from the November 18, 2025 (a) Regular Meeting and (b) Charter Schools Governing Board Meeting

MOTION by Swinto, seconded by Murphy. Approved unanimously

**Academic Affairs & Student Services**

**Vote to Take Action On**

Agenda Item 2. Approval of the Initial Granting of Continuing Contract

MOTION by Murphy, seconded by Patak. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar Submissions

MOTION by Patak, seconded by Swinto. Approved unanimously.

**Business Affairs & Facilities**

**Vote to Take Action On**

Consent Agenda

4. Personnel Actions

MOTION by Murphy, seconded by Patak. Approved unanimously.

5. Financial Services Budget Amendments

MOTION by Martin, seconded by Murphy. Approved unanimously.

**Information Only**

6. Florida SouthWestern State College Financing Corp., Inc. Financial Statements as of December 31, 2025

7. Florida SouthWestern State College Monthly Financial Report

**Institutional Advancement & Policy**

**Vote to Take Action On**

Agenda Item 8. Approval of the MOU between Florida SouthWestern State College and the FSW Financing Corporation, Inc.

MOTION by Patak, seconded by Martin. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 9. Approval of the MOU between Florida SouthWestern State College and the FSW Foundation, Inc.

MOTION by Murphy, seconded by Patak. Approved unanimously

**Information Only**

10. Florida SouthWestern State College Foundation, Inc. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – None

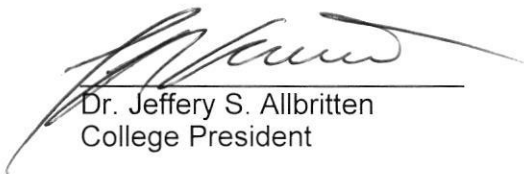
**President's Comments**

- Thanked everyone for the robust meeting

**Board Members' Comments**

- Patak announced he has officially retired

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 11:05am

  
Dr. Jeffery S. Allbritten  
College President

April 21, 2026

  
Julia du Plooy, Chair  
District Board of Trustees