

Brightpoint Community College
Board Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2023

The Brightpoint Community College Board meeting convened at 3:00 p.m. on the Midlothian Campus, on Thursday, February 9, 2023.

Members Present:

Elliot Eliades
Linda Gholston
Bernard Lundy
Deborah Marks
Kenneth Pritchett, Chair
Douglas Smith
Joseph Tylus
Ann Williams
Christine Wilson
Lisa Winfield
William Barnes
Tammie Collins
Aubrey Lindsey
Lorie Camp Southall

Members Absent:

Ms. Michelle Johnson

Guests: Van Wilson

Sharon Morrissey (Z)
Carla Kimbrough
Victoria Waldron
Malinda Carter

Staff Present:

Edward E. Raspiller, President
Kara Armstrong, Assistant to the President
Rachel Biundo, Vice President of Institutional Advancement
Bill Fiege, Vice President of Learning and Student Success
Susan Grinnan, Vice President of Administration
Larry Olanrewaju, Faculty Association Representative
Keri-Beth Pettengill, Director of Institutional Effectiveness
Patrice Robinson, HR and Payroll Supervisor
Fred Taylor, Director of Governmental and Administrative Services
Natolyn Quash, Associate Vice President of Financial Services
Holly Walker, Public Relations Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER – Kenneth Pritchett

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – Kenneth Pritchett

There was no public comment.

3. OVERVIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH – VCCS Team

The VCCS Team is attending the meeting to give an overview of the presidential search. They also provided a folder with important information regarding the search process. Sharon Morrissey explained that the search is a well-designed process that is very thorough and will engage many people. The process will take 6 – 9 months and we should have a new president in place by January 2024. She emphasized the confidentiality of the process and noted that it is very important that everything is maintained as confidential as possible. Malinda Carter stated that the goal is to work together and noted that there have been plenty of colleges who have gone through this process and are willing to assist. She shared the proposed timeline and explained the process noting that ultimately, Chancellor Doré will make the final decision.

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES – Kenneth Pritchett (Tab 1)

A motion was made by Dr. Deborah Marks, seconded by Dr. Joseph Tylus, that “THE BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MEETING DATED NOVEMBER 10, 2022 AS PRESENTED.” The motion passed unanimously.

5. DIETARY MANAGER ACADEMIC PROGRAM - DISCONTINUE – Bill Fiege (Tab 2)

Dr. Fiege presented the Dietary Manager academic program for discontinuance. This program has been offered in a variety of formats for several semesters in fall 2019 but has never obtained sufficient enrollment despite numerous attempts. All courses for the Certified Dietary Manager CSC are exclusively required for this program with the exception of HLT 230. HLT 230 will continue to be offered for the Health Sciences AS program and the discontinuation of this CSC will not reduce enrollment or cause any job losses.

A motion was made by Ms. Tammie Collins, seconded by Mr. Elliot Eliades, that "THE BOARD APPROVED THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE DIETARY MANAGER CAREER STUDIES AS PRESENTED." The motion passed unanimously.

6. BUDGET REPORT – Susan Grinnan

Ms. Grinnan presented the local funds budget ending January 31, 2023. She thoroughly reviewed each account and explained the expenditures. She noted that we will not have a café for this year but will continue the search for a vendor.

7. CCWA ANNUAL REPORT – Elizabeth Creamer

Ms. Creamer reported that has been an extraordinary year. She shared academic and workforce development partnerships to support student success, including a coordinated approach to Economic Development, shared business developers, shared teaching faculty, pre-apprenticeships and apprenticeships, credentials to credit pathways, integrated student and career services, grants development, and non-credit to credit enrollment dashboard. She reported that the FastForward program has expanded and listed the programs and shared the FY18-FY22 enrollments by program noting that there could have been even more training with additional lab space. She acknowledged that Brightpoint Community College is helping to expand the lab spaces for skilled trades and health care. She stated that CCWA will continue to work with Brightpoint Community College to meet the needs of the community.

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Ted Raspiller

Dr. Raspiller reported that there was only one recommendation from the SACSCOC Reaffirmation Team that visited in September. It was regarding an audited financial statement that we did not receive in time for the visit. The document has since been submitted and there have been no issues. Dr. Raspiller gave a legislative update explaining that the legislature has been fair to us. There was a \$250,000,000 ask and about \$50,000,000 was received to increase funding for FastForward, program expansion, and mental health assistance. Dr. Raspiller introduced Dr. Van Wilson, who will be the interim President of Brightpoint Community College. Dr. Wilson shared some information on his personal and higher education background. He stated that he has been in this industry for many years and is most excited about this opportunity. He stated that we will continue to move forward with a lot of momentum and this is not the time to slow that pace.

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9. ADJOURNMENT – Kenneth Pritchett

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Edward E. Raspiller, Ed.D.
Secretary of the Board
President of the College

Kenneth Pritchett
Chair of the Brightpoint Board