

ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOVEMBER 10, 2015

The Board of Trustees of Isothermal Community College met on Tuesday, November 10 at 12:00 noon at the Foundation Performing Arts Center of the Spindale Campus. The following trustees were present: Don Hofmann, Chivous Bradley, Pat Morgan, Grady Franklin, Dave Hunt, Ron Giles, David Eaker, Todd Bennett, Ray Williams, Buck Petty, Jackie Godlock, Leonard Hollifield, and Bill Eckler. The following staff members were present from the College Administration: President Walter Dalton, DeeDee Barnard, Amy Penson, Thad Harrill, Dr. Kim Gold, Anne Oxenreider, Robby Walters. Erin Kidd from the Daily Courier and Gail Clayton from RC Catalyst was present.

Chairman Bradley called the meeting to order and announced a quorum.

Agenda Confirmation

Chairman Bradley asked the Board members if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mr. Hollifield made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Eckler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ethics Statement

Mr. Franklin read a quote and Mr. Eaker named the author of the quote. Mr. Franklin asked Board members if they knew of an actual conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest which existed with regard to any matter coming before the Board of Trustees. No conflicts were indicated.

Minutes Consideration

Mr. Hunt made a motion to approve the minutes from September 30, 2015 and Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Trustee Items

Chairman Bradley appointed Leonard Hollifield, Grady Franklin, Dave Hunt, and Don Hoffman to an ad hoc committee to review the college's naming policy. In addition, Chairman Bradley appointed Jackie Godlock, Ron Giles, Ray Williams, and Buck Petty to an ad hoc committee reviewing Trustee recognition for former and current Trustees.

Mr. Franklin gave the Executive Committee report. Mr. Franklin on behalf of the Executive Committee made a motion to accept James Hutchins and Bobby England as emeritus trustees. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Morgan reported from the Curriculum Committee meeting on October 20 and reviewed an updated list of programs which consisted of new and terminated programs. She highlighted SACSCOC visit schedule and reviewed a report on academic development placements from Rutherford school students. She discussed outreach plans that was shared with the committee to create a college culture in Rutherford and Polk Counties.

Mr. Hollifield gave the Facilities committee report and announced that the roofing projects had started. He also announced that some of the Trustees are on an architect selection committee for the new Applied Science Center.

Mr. Eaker reported from the Finance Committee and discussed the Foundation, Inc. fundraising efforts. He announced that allowing the Powers Scholarship fund to cover tuition and book expenses for New Century Scholars would allow the Foundation to raise monies for unrestricted purposes. Chairman Bradley announced that the Executive Committee heard this report at their meeting and support having the Powers Scholarship fund New Century Scholars. Mr. Eaker made a motion on behalf of the finance committee to expand the Powers Merit Scholarship to embrace those who successfully complete the New Century Scholars program out of high school and that the administration report each and every year the availability of money and demand of the Powers scholarship fund to be sure the fund remains viable and sustainable. After discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Franklin made a motion suspend the rules under the Board of Trustee Bylaws Article IV, Section 4.3.b2 where the Executive Committee must hear all recommendations prior to a full board meeting for items 2 and 3 under the Finance Committee report. Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously.

Mr. Eaker discussed the state budget and went over the revenues and expenditures. He announced that the budget balanced with a 5% overall decrease from last year's total budget. On behalf of the Finance Committee he recommended the state budget form DCC 2-1 for the approval. After discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Eaker on behalf of the Finance Committee recommended the resolution in support of the NC Connect Bond Act. President Dalton discussed Isothermal's portion of 6.7 million for repair and renovations for buildings based on needs and age of the buildings. After further discussion, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Administrative Items

President Dalton thanked the board for their support for the NC Connect Bond.

He announced that Mr. Harrison Pack was unable to attend the meeting due to the Rolling Hornets being on campus and working the event as SGA President.

President Dalton presented the Gifts and Donations for approval. Mr. Hollifield made a motion to approve the donations and Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

President Dalton presented the Budget Revisions for approval. Mrs. Godlock made a motion and Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

President Dalton discussed the grants in process. Mr. Harrill updated the Trustees on a Golden Leaf application process for agribusiness and hospitality. He announced that the college should know within the next month, if we are invited to submit a full application.


President Dalton reported on the annual equipment audit with a reported stolen laptop.


Dr. Gold discussed the SACSCOC on site visit and the recommendations from the committee. Sh announced that QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) is now not a plan, but an action and that the college was moving forward with implementing the plan. Mrs. Oxenreider announced that all areas involved with Board of Trustee participation had no recommendations. Chairman Bradley discussed the process and the involvement with the Board committees.

Chairman Bradley reviewed the changes in personnel.

Chairman Bradley and President Dalton announced the upcoming events.

The meeting adjourned.


CHAIRMAN
MR. CHIVOUS BRADLEY


PARLIMENTARIAN/SECRETARY
MRS. JACKIE GODLOCK