



BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Newtown Campus

Date: September 8, 2016

Time: 11 A.M.

PRESENT:

Thomas Skiffington, Presiding
James Dancy
Blake Eisenhart
Frank Fazzalore
Elizabeth Fineburg
Elizabeth Graver
Otto Grupp III
Frederick Gudknecht

William Maeglin
Carol Mignoni-Ferguson
Garney Morris
Carol Shelly
Philip Wursta
Thomas Hecker, Esq.
Dr. Stephanie Shanblatt

ABSENT: Dr. Frederick Breitenfeld Jr., Frank Farry and Jeffrey Garton, Esq.

Mr. Skiffington called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM and announced that earlier in the day the Board of Trustees met in executive session to discuss real estate, labor relations and personnel matters.

Upon motion by Ms. Fineburg, seconded by Ms. Shelly, the minutes of the June meeting were approved.

CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no report from the Chair.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Shanblatt shared information regarding upcoming entertainment at the college. This evening in the Zlock PAC at 7:30 PM, jazz enthusiasts can enjoy a performance by Larry Coryell, a pioneer of jazz rock in the 1960s. Next weekend family entertainment is on stage Saturday, September 17 when acrobatic fantasy *The Art of Circus* is featured in the Zlock PAC.

The President congratulated The Center for Workforce Development on receiving a \$40,000 grant from Customers Bank to develop a curriculum for a personal finance micro-credential. This funding will complement CWD's grant from PA Department of Labor and Industry supporting the delivery of micro-credentials in the areas of industrial skills and soft skills. We will offer this credential to individuals with barriers to employment who will be served under the micro-

credential grant. Thanks to Customers Bank for their support and to Susan Herring in Workforce Development for developing and implementing this new program.

Dr. Shanblatt reported on upcoming campus activities including a free community shredding day, sponsored by First National Bank of Newtown, scheduled for September 10 on the Newtown Campus from 9-11 AM. On Saturday September 24 between 11 AM – 4 PM, the Foundation will sponsor a day of fun on the Newtown Campus to allow alumni and their families to attend the Women's Volleyball and Men's Soccer games while enjoying activities provided by students and the Alumni Association.

The President announced that on Thursday, October 13 at 12:30 PM the Lower Bucks Campus will be the site of a live debate between the candidates for the 8th District US Congressional seat, Steve Santaserio and Brian Fitzpatrick.

Dr. Shanblatt review several opportunities to experience art at the college in the next month. The Artmobile is preparing to visit schools across the county with its new exhibit *Structures & Stories: Contemporary Book Arts*. Ongoing in the Hicks Gallery is *Contested Identities: the Recent Works of Peter Williams*. Opening on September 12 in the Gallery at Lower Bucks is *Let Us Entertain You, Let Us Make You Smile*, with the opening reception scheduled for Friday, September 16.

New staff members introduced were: Jennifer Osinski - Director, Accessibility Office, Dr. Mariann Kerr – Director, Associate Degree Nursing, Dr. Lynn DellaPietra - Dean, Social & Behavioral Science and Paula Matthews, Director, Medical Laboratory Technician Program.

The President thanked Catherine McElroy for her service as Interim Provost during the summer months. Also introduced were Lisa Angelo, Interim Provost and Debra Geoghan, Interim Dean, STEM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC, STUDENT & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – Dr. Frederick Breitenfeld, Chair

Ms. Shelly chaired the committee in Dr. Breitenfeld's absence.

The following new full time faculty members were introduced by their respective deans:
Regina Hierholzer – Learning Resources

Robert Luisi – STEM
Kathleen Probst – Professional Studies
Stanley Timek – Arts

Next Professor Christine Delahanty and students Aneeqa Karu and Paul Lelyukh presented their prototype invention designed as an entry in the nationwide National Science Foundation Competition for community colleges. The goal of the competition was for students to produce a prototype which improved the nexus of food, water and energy as the world faces a decline in available resources. Karu and Lelyukh, along with Jim Napoli who has transferred to UC Berkeley, designed a wind turbine which occupies less space, poses no threat to wildlife and recycles water. The engineering students were supported in their project by art students who produced their video and business students who advised them on the business aspects of developing and marketing a new product. The Bucks entry placed in the top ten in the nation which earned the students and their advisor a trip to Washington, D.C. where they presented their concept to judges and attended a reception on Capitol Hill.

CONSENT AGENDA – William D. Maeglin, Chair, Finance Committee

Mr. Skiffington announced that all action items would be considered on the Consent Agenda. Trustees were advised that if discussion was requested on any item, that item would be removed from the Consent Agenda. There were no requests to remove items from the agenda.

Upon motion by Mr. Maeglin and second by Mr. Morris, the Board of Trustees approved the following Consent Agenda items as presented:

- **Ratification of Summer Executive Committee Approvals**
 - **Bid award for UBC storm water basin landscaping to Green Valley Landscaping, Inc. for \$86,000.**
 - **Change orders:**
 - **Newtown Campus signage to Howard Industries, Inc. for \$16,500.**
 - **Science Building Addition to Vision Mechanical, Inc. for \$95,091.**
- **Bid Awards**
 - **Newtown parking lot expansion and ADA pedestrian walkway to Blooming Glen Contractors, Inc. \$836,408.**
- **Other Contracts**
 - **Billboard advertising for 2016-2017 to Adams Outdoor for \$18,150 and to Steen Advertising for 46,080.**
 - **Internet router for Science Center to Atrion Communications Research Inc. on PA COSTARS for \$37,820.**

BOARD COMMENTS

There were no board comments.

ADJOURN

Upon the motion being duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on October 13, 2016 at 11 AM on the Lower Bucks Campus.

Elizabeth Fineburg, Secretary