

OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 4, 2016 ~ MINUTES

A working retreat of the Board of Trustees was held at the Holiday Inn French Quarter, 10630 Fremont Pike, Perrysburg, Ohio.

Call to Order – Chair Ed Nagle called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. and directed the record to show the meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code and the policies of the Board of Trustees.

Roll Call – Roll call was taken, and the following members were present: Mary Beth Hammond, Srinivas Hejeebu, Edwin Nagle, Rich Rowe, Diana Talmage and Thomas Uhler. (6).

Chair Nagle commented that the purpose of the special meeting was for reports from College administration; for the President’s recommendations to consider the employment of public employee(s) and for facilities; and, for consideration of an executive session for permissible discussion topics.

President Mike Bower commented on his activities related to workforce training, and he shared the Ohio Department of Higher Education Preliminary Headcount report for Fall Semester 2016 for an understanding of the overall higher education enrollment for the State of Ohio.

Report of the Vice President of Student Services – Amy Giordano, Vice President of Student Services, presented on the Student Services division priorities; student profile and enrollment as related to locations; new initiatives and outreach efforts; building partnerships for veterans services; a summary of financial aid disbursements and the cohort default rate; retention and completion initiatives; athletics, student activities and Student Government; open positions; Ohio Attorney General’s Student Load Debt Advisory Group and an update on the Trustees’ scholarship programs in review for potential changes as a recruitment tool for motivated students.

Report of Vice President/CFO/Treasurer – Dave Cannon, Vice President/Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, presented an update on the Financial Recovery Plan; Fiscal Year 2016 preliminary results reflecting a much-improved financial condition and the State’s criteria for exiting from fiscal watch; Fiscal Year 2017 budget and year-end projections; and, comments on the difficulty of projecting a five-year budget due to the state-controlled revenue sources.

Report of Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs – Steve Robinson, Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs, presented on the Academic Affairs division priorities; recognized the Ohio Association of Community Colleges support and work on the State’s Completion Agenda; presented research professor and author Mike Rose’s position on the book, Redesigning America’s Community Colleges by Thomas Bailey, Shanna Smith Jaggars and Davis Jenkins, which addresses a reform plan, the “guided pathways” model; and he shared the Ohio Department of Higher Education campus completion plan framework and the College’s completion strategies in progress through the work of the Student Success Leadership Institute team. Dr. Robinson also provided updates on the partnership with the Toledo Public Schools with respect to their aviation program and the Jones Leadership Academy.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Employment of Personnel:

RESOLUTION 2016-10-04-01

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the recommendation of the President to employ the following person(s), be approved by the Board of Trustees:

- NAME: Lisa L. Nagel
- ADDRESS: Napoleon, OH
- EDUCATION: Juris Doctor, with a major in Law, from the University of Toledo; Bachelor of Arts, from Miami University
- EXPERIENCE: Fifteen years of experience, including as a labor and employment attorney and equity partner at a local law firm and as a city law director
- ASSIGNMENT: Executive Director, Legal Services and Labor Relations

Ms. Talmage made a motion to approve the employment recommendation, which was seconded by Ms. Hammond. Following a voice vote, the motion was adopted.

Facilities/Capital Improvements:

RESOLUTION 2016-10-04-02

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the recommendation of the Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer and the President to award a contract to the following firm for the Founders Hall Roof Replacement project using SB 310 capital-appropriated funds, be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Founders Hall Roof Replacement		
Contractor	The Fred Christen & Sons Company 714 George Street Toledo, Ohio 43608	\$ 429,258
	Contingency	\$ 42,926
	TOTAL	\$472,184

Mr. Rowe made a motion to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Mr. Uhler. Following a voice vote, the motion was adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Nagle announced an executive session for discussion of permissible topics of collective bargaining matters, the sale of property and to consider the employment of public employees. Mr. Uhler made a motion to adjourn to executive session as specified. Mr. Rowe seconded the motion, and the Chair called for a roll call vote. Roll Call: Mary Beth Hammond, yea; Edwin Nagle, yea; Rich Rowe, yea; Diana Talmage, yea; and, Thomas Uhler, yea (5).

Upon return from executive session, roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mary Beth Hammond, Edwin Nagle, Rich Rowe, Diana Talmage and Thomas Uhler (5).

Statements and Comments – Chair Nagle commented on attending the September 16 Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees meeting for the State of Ohio, Office of Budget and Management Director’s presentation. He commented on scheduling a meeting with the Northwest

State Community College Board Chair. Chair Nagle invited President Bower and Dr. Robinson to comment on a strategic planning process and the importance of trustee engagement with guiding strategic planning.

Strategic Planning – Dr. Robinson commented on the College culture and the College’s transition from growth to recovery, which the Financial Recovery Plan has served as the most recent strategic plan for the College and will continue to be a touchstone of stabilization. Mr. Cannon commented on the importance of institutional priorities and identifying funding as the Fiscal Year 2018 budget development begins. Dr. Robinson commented on the process of listening sessions, both internal and external, and the impact of measuring and building support in the community and at the College. Chair Nagle commented that a strategic planning process will explore how the College can be a better value to the community.

Adjournment – As there was no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chair Nagle declared the working retreat adjourned.