



BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: January 30, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Present:

Thomas J. Jennings, Chair

James Dancy, via Zoom

Broadus Davis, Ed.D., via Zoom

Tabitha Dell'Angelo, Ph.D.

Jamie Fazzalore

Carol Mignoni Ferguson, via phone

Ronni Fuchs, Esq.

Shamsul Huda

Vincent Magyar, Esq.

John Murray

Ed Tokmajian

Phil Wursta, via Zoom

Michael Clarke, Esq., Solicitor, via Zoom

Patrick M. Jones, Ph.D., President & CEO

Absent: Richard Balukas, Ed.D., Blake Eisenhart, Adrienne King

Mr. Jennings called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M. He led the pledge of allegiance and asked all to remain standing for a moment of silence for the lives lost in the Washington DC airplane and helicopter accident.

Following the Roll Call, Mr. Jennings announced that Ms. Lisa Ritter from Maher Duessel was present via Zoom.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

RATIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION – Mr. Jennings

Mr. Jennings reported that the first item of business was to ratify the Executive Committee action from January 6, 2025, regarding the Bucks County Public Safety Training Center MOU between Bucks County and Bucks County Community College. The MOU extends the current management agreement for the Public Safety Training Centers located in Croydon and Doylestown until December 31, 2025, thus giving the College time to re-evaluate and renegotiate the terms of the agreement.

Upon motion by Mr. Murray, and second by Mr. Tokmajian, the Board of Trustees ratified the Executive Committee approval of the Bucks County Public Safety Training Center MOU.

ACCEPTANCE OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 AUDIT

Ms. Fuchs, Chair of the Finance & Audit Committee, reported that the College's auditor, Maher Duessel, has presented an audit of the College's fiscal year 2024 financial statements. She said

the college received an unqualified opinion with no material weakness. There was a finding on internal control weakness, which was due to a limited number of procedures that are now being tightened up. She said the College now has the proper people in place to address this going forward. Ms. Fuchs said the recommendation of the Committee is to accept the unqualified audit. Ms. Ritter added that she appreciates the work and communication of the committee and said it was a much better process this year. Chair Jennings and President Jones thanked the Finance & Audit Committee and Mr. Christensen for their hard work.

Upon motion by Dr. Davis and second by Mr. Dancy, a roll call vote was taken for acceptance of the FY 2024 audit. The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept the FY2024 Audit.

BOARD COMMENT

Chair Jennings thanked trustees for taking the time to attend this special meeting. He noted that, three years ago, the College lacked a CFO, a controller, true committees, financial reports, executive support, and a true audit partner. He said today the College has a strong Finance & Audit Committee, a President who leads, a CFO, a controller, an exceptional audit partner, and reliable financial reports. He said the audit report confirms confidence in the College's financial position, is honestly stated, competently prepared, and trustworthy.

ADJOURN

Upon the motion to adjourn being duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 A.M. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at the Newtown Campus on February 13, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.

Shamsul Huda, Secretary