

MINUTES
POLK STATE COLLEGE
District Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, February 22, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.
Polk State Lakeland Campus LTB 1100 and Teleconference

Dr. Angela M. Garcia Falconetti called the February 22, 2021, District Board of Trustees meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Members Present: Ms. Ashley Bell Barnett, Mr. Dan Dorrell, Mr. Greg Littleton, Ms. Teresa Martinez, Ms. Cindy Ross, and Mr. Mark Turner

Members Absent: All in attendance

Special Recognition: Dr. Angela Garcia Falconetti
None.

Agenda:

Ms. Martinez moved, seconded by Mr. Turner, to approve the agenda for February 22, 2021. All members voted affirmatively.

Consent Agenda Items: Dr. Allen Bottorff

- a. **Payroll Distribution for January 2021** – Approved on consent agenda. Board action is required.
- b. **Expenditure Summary for January 2021** – Approved on consent agenda. Board action is required.
- c. **Personnel Actions Report for January 2021** – Approved on consent agenda. Board action is required.
- d. **Salary Schedule Changes for February 2021** – Approved on consent agenda. Board action is required.

Mr. Littleton moved, seconded by Ms. Barnett, to approve the consent agenda items for January and February 2021. All members voted affirmatively.

Those items included under the Consent section are self-explanatory and are not expected to require discussion before action. Items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by any Board member on any item, the item should be identified and removed from the Consent agenda for separate action.

Approval of Board Minutes

a. January 25, 2021, Board Minutes

Ms. Barnett moved, seconded by Mr. Turner, to approve the January 25, 2021, Board minutes. All members voted affirmatively.

President's Report – Dr. Angela Garcia Falconetti

a. Legislative Update

- Dr. Falconetti provided a brief summary of the College's legislative priorities.
- Meetings with members of the local delegation and Polk State Student Government Association (SGA) members took place during the February 9-10 Florida College System SGA Legislative event, which was held virtually.

b. COVID-19 Response and Supplemental Relief

- The U.S. Department of Education (ED) recently announced the availability of an additional \$21.1 billion in higher education emergency relief funding for colleges and students.
- This funding, referred to as Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) II and authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA or Carissa), was signed into law on December 27, 2020.
- \$13.292 million has been allocated for Polk State; the ED requires that at least \$3.058 million of this allocation be used for student aid.
- Restrictions have not been communicated to date. The funding is non-recurring.

c. Dr. Falconetti's Role as Chair of Policy and Advocacy Committee and Vice Chair of Florida College System Council of Presidents (COP)

- Meetings with various members of the Florida House and Senate are underway.
- February 19, 2021, Florida College System Council of Presidents meeting: Hosted Florida Department of Education Senior Chancellor Eric Hall, Florida College System Chancellor Kathy Hebda, and Florida College System Division of Career and Adult Education Chancellor Henry Mack.

d. SACSCOC Reaffirmation Update

- March 29 is the deadline for response report submission to SACSCOC Reaffirmation Committee.

e. COVID-19 Mobile Vaccination Site

- Vaccination distribution events that have occurred to date: January 12, 21, and 30; February 9 and February 22.
- Tentative future-dated event: February 27

f. Land Adjacent to Polk State Lakeland Campus

- Dr. Falconetti provided a brief update regarding two properties, to the east and to the west, of the Winter Lake Road entrance to the Polk State Lakeland Campus. She noted that one property is owned by a developer (to the east) and the other is owned by the Polk County School Board (to the west). The orange groves in the parcel to the west have recently been cleared for development. Dr. Falconetti asked Dr. Bottorff to reach out to the Polk County School Board regarding their clearing activities and to the developer regarding their plans for development. Dr.

Falconetti aims to have the developer come to a future Board meeting to present their plans to the Board.

g. Highlight of Selected Successes and Positive News (documents supplementing meeting packet)

- *Winter Haven Sun* article “Polk State president addresses legislative agenda, commencement plans with Winter Haven Commission”
- *The Ledger* article “Emily Rogers: Lessons on resilience and growing where you are planted from Teresa Martinez”
- *The Ledger* article “Colleges, universities in Polk See federal relief boost. Much is reserved for student aid”

Attorney’s Report:

None.

Business Services Action Items:

None.

Business Services Informational Items: Dr. Allen Bottorff

- a. Investment Interest Comparison for January 2021** – Dr. Bottorff presented and reviewed the College’s Investment Interest Comparison for January 2021. No Board action required.
- b. Budget Amendment Summary for January 2021** – Dr. Bottorff presented and reviewed the Budget Amendment Summary for January 2021 for the Board’s information. No Board action required.
- c. Financial Statements for January 2021** – Dr. Bottorff presented and reviewed the Financial Statements for January 2021 for the Board’s information. No Board action required.
- d. Capital Project Status Report for January 2021** – Dr. Bottorff presented and reviewed the Capital Project Status Report for January 2021 for the Board’s information. No Board action required.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda:

None.

Academic & Student Services Action Items:

- a. Deactivation of Electrical Distribution Technology, AAS – Dr. Orathai Northern**
Dr. Orathai Northern presented and recommended approval of the Deactivation of Electrical Distribution Technology, AAS.

Ms. Martinez moved, seconded by Mr. Turner, to approve the Deactivation of Electrical Distribution Technology, AAS. All members voted affirmatively.

Academic & Student Services Informational Items:

None.

Collegiate High School Report:

a. Polk State Chain of Lakes Collegiate High School Report of Charter Goals for the Academic Year– Dr. Keith Bonney

Dr. Bonney provided an update on Polk State Chain of Lakes Collegiate High School's 2021 Recruitment/Enrollment Timeline for the Board's information.

First Reading Board Rules (No action required):

None.

Second Reading Board Rules (Final Approval):

a. DBOT Rule 3.32, Conflict of Interest, Code of Ethics, and Fraud Reporting – Dr. Allen Bottorff

Dr. Bottorff presented for final approval, revised DBOT Rule 3.32, Conflict of Interest, Code of Ethics, and Fraud Reporting.

Mr. Littleton moved, seconded by Ms. Barnett, to approve the revised DBOT Rule 3.32, Conflict of Interest, Code of Ethics, and Fraud Reporting. All members voted affirmatively.

b. DBOT Rule 5.06, Investment Funds – Dr. Allen Bottorff

Dr. Bottorff presented for final approval, revised DBOT Rule 5.06, Investment Funds.

Ms. Barnett moved, seconded by Mr. Turner, to approve the revised DBOT Rule 5.06, Investment Funds. All members voted affirmatively.

c. DBOT Rule 5.07, Auxiliary Enterprises – Dr. Allen Bottorff

Dr. Bottorff presented for final approval, revised DBOT Rule 5.07, Auxiliary Enterprises.

Ms. Martinez moved, seconded by Ms. Barnett, to approve the revised DBOT Rule 5.07, Auxiliary Enterprises. All members voted affirmatively.

Board Discussion:

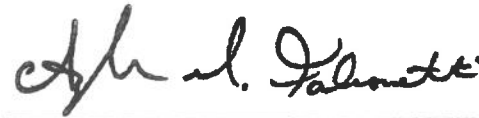
Chair Ross reminded the Board that the next DBOT meeting will occur on March 29, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in CPS 267 at the Polk State College Center for Public Safety.

Adjournment:

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

 3/29/21

Ms. Cynthia Hartley Ross Date
DBOT Chair

 3/29/21

Dr. Angela M. Garcia Falconetti Date
President