

**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
September 10, 2008**

Trustees Present:

*Dr. Clarence C. Hoover, III, Chair
Dr. James Yoh, Vice Chair
Ms. Emma Byrne
Ms. Mady Deininger
Mr. Albert L. Gutierrez
Michael Jacobson, Esq.
Mr. Dena C. Pappas
Mr. Brian A. Sena, Student Trustee
Mr. Dennis Coyle, Student Trustee Alternate
Dr. Herman J. Saatkamp, President and Ex Officio*

Trustees Absent:

*Mr. Curtis J. Bashaw, Secretary
Mr. Stanley Ellis*

Call to Order:

Chairman Hoover called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 in Room K-203. On November 10, 2006, notice of this meeting as required by the Open Public Meeting Act were sent (a) sent to the Business Services Office of the College, (b) the editors of The Press and the Vineland Times Journal, and (c) filed with the Secretary of the State, (d) Galloway Township Clerk's Office and (e) Atlantic County Clerk's Office.

Note: Unless otherwise stated, all votes on the following resolutions were approved by Consent Agenda.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2008:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Gutierrez and second by Trustee Byrne, the Board voted to adopt the regular meeting minutes of July 9, 2008 as amended.

Approval of Special Teleconference Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2008.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Gutierrez and second by Trustee Byrne, the Board voted to adopt the regular meeting minutes of July 9, 2008 as amended.

Resolution to Meet in Closed Session:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Gutierrez, the Board voted to meet in closed session.

Return from Closed Session:

Chairman Hoover reconvened the open/public session at 3:30 p.m., upon the Board's return from closed session.

Report of the Chair:

Chairman Hoover announced this was his final meeting as Chair and stated it had been a pleasure to serve as the Chair. He reflected on the many changes that had occurred over the last two years, including today's ribbon cutting for Housing V, the increase in faculty lines and the increased financial assistance for students. In addition is stated that as Stockton moves forward, we as an institution have a responsibility to our students, their parents and this State to continually strive to be great. In closing, Chairman Hoover remarked the College will be in great hands under the leadership of the next Chair of the Board. He thanked everyone for being a part of his journey, and said he looked forward to his continued service to the Board and College.

President's Report:

President Saatkamp thanked Dr. Hoover for his leadership and dedication as Chair of the Board. He also praised the Office of Enrollment for recruiting the largest full-time/first-time freshman class in the history of the College. He noted the SAT scores of the entering class were 20-25% higher than last year's class and among the highest scores in the history of the College. In addition, he announced that he had recently hosted a reception at his home for the 32 newly hired faculty members.

President Saatkamp announced that Mr. Matt Altier, Vice President for Administration and Finance and Dr. Harvey Kesselman, Dean of Education will serve as Co-Chairs of the Stockton 2020 Strategic Planning Committee. Other committee members include, Provost David Carr, Ms. Marilyn DiGiacobbe, Dr. Joseph Marchetti, Dr. Janet Wagner, Dr. Tait Chirenje, Dr. Sonia Gonsalvez, Dr. Tim Haresign (President, SFT Union), Ms. Diana Meischker (President, CWA), Ms. Ashley Pero (President, Student Senate), James Kennedy, Esq. (staff to committee for balanced scoreboard), Mr. Brian K. Jackson (staff to committee), and Dr. Claudine Keenan (staff to committee). The Committee will also include a Trustee and community member. The committee will soon begin its work, which is expected to conclude in time for the College's 40th Anniversary celebration.

President Saatkamp also announced he was forming a Search Committee for the Vice President of Student Affairs position. He and Dr. Marchetti have developed a transition plan so that he may move to the faculty. Dean Janet Wagner will Chair the Search Committee and additional committee members will soon be called to serve on the committee. President Saatkamp remarked that Dr. Marchetti was one of the finest people he has ever worked with, and his service as Vice President for Student Affairs was superb.

President Saatkamp acknowledged the Honorable and Mrs. Gerald Weinstein and their son and daughter-in-law. The President noted how Judge Weinstein's involvement as a former Chair and member of the Board of Trustees set the model for Board members. Judge Weinstein, Dr. Saatkamp said, continues to be involved in the College and has helped significantly to raise funds for the Holocaust Resource Center and for other initiatives. President Saatkamp was delighted to announce that Judge Gerald and Mrs. Claire Weinstein have established the Distinguished Endowed Professorship in Jewish Studies and that Dr. Yitzhak Sharon will be the first Weinstein Professor of Jewish Studies.

Dr. Sharon expressed how honored he was to be the beholder of the Weinstein Chair and noted the impact their gift will have on the future of Jewish Studies at Stockton.

President Saatkamp announced that Mr. G. Larry James will receive the Garden State Award on October 16 from the Collegiate Administrators of New Jersey in recognition of his contributions to the development of intercollegiate athletics nationally, regionally, and in the State of New Jersey.

Dr. Saatkamp mentioned the Nine Strong Campaign, which is a campaign to align alumni, faculty, students, and staff to raise the profile of the nine state colleges and universities in New Jersey. The campaign will begin on September 15 in Trenton, NJ.

In closing President Saatkamp reported that he will be away on a Professional Development Leave from September 15-November 30, 2008 in Washington, DC. He will be developing a white paper for with The Association of State Colleges and Universities (ASCU) and working on strategic planning initiatives for the Association of Governing Boards (AGB). He also has been named a Senior Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School's Center for Bioethics and a Visiting Scholar at New York University's Steinhardt Institute for Higher Education Policy. In addition, Dr Saatkamp will participate in several conferences and national forums. The development leave was recommended by Tom Ingram, who conducted an Association of Governing Board 360-degree review of the Board and of the President last year. The purpose of the leave is one of renewal after five years as president and also of preparation for the next five years. Provost Carr will assume the role of Acting President.

**Report of the Academic
Affairs & Planning
Committee:**

Provost Carr reported there were several action items before the Board today for approval, but first he invited Ms. Cynthia Sosnowski, Executive Director of Continuing Studies for Health Sciences and Human Services and Dr. Israel Posner, Executive Director of Professional Services forward to make a presentation.

**Presentation: Continuing
Studies and Professional
Development Activities:**

Dr. Posner gave a brief overview of Continuing Studies, which is a new structure within the School of Graduate and Continuing Studies. The management-development of professional services (his division) is involved in three business lines: (1) the Consortium for Leadership and Service Superiority (CLASS); (2) the Stockton Institute for Gaming Management (SIGMA); and (3) corporate consulting and training. He explained that the role of Continuing Studies is to generate new revenues for the College by leveraging the talent and expertise of the College and make it available to the business, professional, for profit, and non-profit communities. The primary funding source has been The New Jersey Department of Labor and Work Force Development. Since 2006, over 15,000 employees (with Spectrum Gaming Group) have received training, much of which took place at The Carnegie Library in Atlantic City.

Ms. Sosnowski commented that Health Sciences and Human Services provide a significant amount of continuing professional education, as well as, life-long learning in the community and work with small non-profits. She noted that The Atlantic Cape Save Youth Partnership grant has been particularly successful because of the collaborations and unique partnership with Atlantic Cape Community College (ACCC) and other non profits. Ms. Sosnowski reported that federal evaluators of the grant were on campus this week and has indicated their delight with what they are seeing – which is considered a national model. Other initiatives highlighted by Ms. Sosnowski included the New Jersey Child Welfare Training Partnership, which is a state funded contract to provide training to all case carrying staff for the State Division of Children and Families and the Additions Training Program for Certified and License Clinical Addition Counselors. In closing Ms. Sosnowski, commented over \$2 million in revenue has been generate to date and over 16,000 professional and community members have received training.

**Conferral of Honorary
Degree Resolution for Dr.
Gary Loveman:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to adopt the resolution of the awarding of an honorary degree to Dr. Gary Loveman at the May 9, 2009 Commencement.

**Southern Regional
Educational Technology
Training Center (SRI/ETTC)
and Memorandum of
Understanding Resolution:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Byrne, the Board voted to adopt the resolution.

Chairman Hoover commented he was proud to be a part of this approval because the training is very beneficial and needed in the State.

**Improving Teacher Quality
Partnership Grant and
Improving Teacher Quality
Partnership Grant/Year-Two
Supplemental Funding
Grant Resolutions:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Yoh, the Board voted to adopt the both resolutions.

**Report of the Student Affairs
Committee:**

Trustee Jacobson, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee reported the committee met earlier in the day and that Deans Colijn and Iacovelli would give brief reports on 2008 Summer Enrollment and Fall 2008 preliminary figures.

**2008 Summer Session –
Final 10th Day Enrollment
Statistics (information will
be distributed):**

Dean Jan Colijn reported that for summer enrollment, figures were approximately 3-7% ahead of last year's figures between January-March; however registration began to dissipate because of rising gas prices. There was also a drop in student credit hours. Dr. Colijn also reported an increase in online studies, with 40% of students taking online classes and 48% of the student's enrolling online. He anticipates for Summer 2009 that 48% of the students will take online courses and 53% will enroll online.

**2008 Summer Orientation
and Registration and Fall
2008 Preliminary Enrollment
Report: Fall 2008 First-Time
Freshman/Transfer Update:**

John Iacovelli, Dean of Enrollment Management reported that for FY2009 undergraduate headcount declined by 1% over last year, from 6,692 to 6,667. However, the applicant pool and total full-time equivalent (FTE) have shown steady growth over the last several years. There are 845 new freshmen on campus for the fall, with 58% female and 42% male. Minority enrollment represents 20% of the student population. In addition, the percentage of matriculated students for fall 2008 is 98%.

Dean Iacovelli commented this incoming freshman class is probably the best in Stockton's history. Other highlights of his report included the following:

- Forty percent of the 845 incoming freshman class are scholarship students (345).*
- The average SAT score for regular readmit freshman is 1130 - 80th percentile. The average SAT score for all entering freshmen SAT is 1090 - 77th percentile.*
- The freshman class includes 13 valedictorians and 16 salutatorians*
- The average student is registered for 14.4 credits versus 14.1 last year.*

Dean Iacovelli reported that he was focusing on Enrollment Management by revamping the Open Houses to highlight the academic schools and promote interaction with faculty, hosting scholar receptions throughout the state and on campus, hosting countywide high school counselor receptions, increasing the number of Instant Decision Days for prospective scholar students, and providing consistent correspondence with prospective students.

Dean Figart reported that targets were met at the graduate level, with 145 new graduate and post baccalaureate students registered for the fall. Headcount (632) and FTE (343) targets were also met. In addition, the percentage of matriculated students was at 83.5% versus 80.2% last year. The percentage

of minority graduate students is 13.5%, which Dean Figart indicated reflected a need for students who require other types of tuition remission that Stockton presently cannot offer (i.e. stipends).

To enhance the college's graduate program, Dean Figart said Stockton's "four plus one program," whereby students complete the baccalaureate degree at the end of the fourth year and a master's degree at the end of the fifth year, is fast becoming a popular alternative to students. There are currently 27 students enrolled in the program. She said that early admission is being offered to high school students for guaranteed seats in the graduate program if they attend as undergraduates. Currently, there are 36 students in physical therapy who are early admission students, and in fall 2009, the College will have its first early admit in Occupational Therapy. Dual degree "Exports" to partner institutions is another option being offered. In closing, Dean Figart commented the School of Graduate and Continuing Studies website was also being updated.

Report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee:

Trustee Gutierrez reported that the Committee met earlier in the week to review a three-dimensional presentation of the Campus Center. The review also included material selections for the exterior of which the committee provided several recommendations for some minor architecture modifications. The committee expects the architects to bring those samples back prior to any additional decisions and at the same time evaluate the costs of minor architecture change on the back of the building. The Committee, he said, was optimistic that the project, in terms of cost, will come in under budget.

Trustee Jacobson expressed his disappointed with the presentation from the architects.

President Saatkamp noted that after an additional conversation with the architectural firm, he hopes for a better working relationship with the firm. He also noted that the Committee reviewed the "way-finding" and signage for the campus, which is beginning to be installed in the parking lots.

Report of the Finance Committee:

Chairman Hoover reported that Trustee Ellis, Chair of the Finance Committee could not be present because of a prior commitment. He called upon Vice President Altier to give a Finance Committee report. Mr. Altier reported the Finance Committee met earlier today to review the items on the consent agenda, as well as other action actions. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend those items for board approval.

Authorizing a Modification to the Project Scope Related to the New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Issues Series 2007 G Resolution:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Gutierrez, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

ale of Surplus College Property Resolution:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Gutierrez, the Board voted to approve the resolution

FY10 Capital Budget Resolution:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Byrne and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

Trustee Gutierrez acknowledged the fine work of the Administration and Finance Office for putting together the FY10 Capital Budget.

FY09 Bid Waiver Resolution:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Yoh, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

Authorization to Award a Contract for Housing Module Software, Implementation and Consulting Services Resolution (distributed):

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Gutierrez, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

FY09 Bid Waiver Resolution (distributed):

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

Approval Policy Concerning Actions Delegated by the Board and Amendment to the Approval Policy for Capital Construction Projects Resolution (distributed):

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Yoh, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

Report of the Investment Committee:

Mr. Altier reported that the committee met earlier today and discussed the resolution to authorize a review of a new Investment Policy, which was recommended for approval by the committee.

Report of the Audit Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Gutierrez, reported that we are in the middle of audit season now. There have been no disclosures or requests to date and there has been no correspondence or outreach to the Board at this time, which usually means that there has been cooperation from the management and staff during this period.

Authorization to Review new Investment Policy Resolution:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Yoh, the Board voted to approve the resolution.

Report of the Development Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Emma Byrne, reported there will be a joint meeting between the Board and Executive Committee members of the Stockton Foundation Executive Committee immediately following today's Open/Public meeting. The joint meeting recommendation was part of the report from the Board and Presidential Performance Review conducted last fall by consultant, Dr. Thomas Ingram from the Association of Governing Boards (AGB). Trustee Byrne also announced the September 23 Annual Golf Outing and that correspondence was forthcoming regarding the Richard Stockton Society Leadership Giving Fund. The campaign will target about 1,000 donors to receive the initial mailing. She also acknowledged that members of the Foundation Board will personally visit about 15% of the individuals on the list in the coming weeks.

**Personnel Actions
Resolution (distributed):**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to adopt the resolution. Student Trustee Sena was not called on to vote on this matter.

**Nomination of Executive
Committee Members to the
Board of Trustees:**

Chairman Hoover called upon Trustee Jacobson, Chair of the Nominating Committee, to present recommendations for new members of the Executive Committee to the Board. Upon a motion made by Trustee Gutierrez and second by Trustee Byrne the Board voted to approve the following officers, who will serve a three year term:

- Trustee James Yoh, Chairman of the Board
- Trustee Stanley Ellis, Vice Chairman of the Board
- Trustee Curtis J. Bashaw, Secretary of the Board

Other Business:

There was no other business to come before the Board at this time.

Comments from the Public:

Dr. Dennis Weiss, Dean of Natural Mathematics and Sciences and President of the Aviation Research and Technology Park, Inc. thanked the Board for their actions on the resolution allowing them to engage the services of The Gold Group, L.L.C to provide consulting services for the Aviation Research Technology Park. He noted the project was moving forward with the help of federal funding given to the South Jersey Economic Development District.

Mr. Stephen B. Davis, President of The Council of Black Faculty and Staff announced that the 27th Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner and Dance will be held on November 13, 2008. This year's honorees include Rev. Collins A. Days, Sr., Patricia W. Collins of the President's Office, and Stockton alumni Mr. Edward C. Marshall, III. and Mr. Jose T. Lozano.

Mr. Marilyn Vito, President of the Faculty Assembly congratulated Dr. Yitzhak Sharon and the Weinstein's on the newly established endowed chair in Jewish Studies.

Dr. Colijn reported the Joint Statistical Survey of Summer School Administrators came out, which shows that last year Stockton was once again number one in the country with regard to the generation of super credit hours for undergraduates. Even though we were flat this year, he expects that the College will retain the number one ranking for the fourth consecutive year.

**Comments from the Board
of Trustees:**

Chairman Hoover once again thanked everyone for their support over the last two years.

**The next regularly
scheduled meeting:**

Chairman Hoover announced the next regularly meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 in the Multipurpose Room of the Anne B. Townsend Residential Life Center at 3:30 p.m.

For the Board

Brian K. Jackson, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved by the Board on December 10, 2008