

**THE RICHHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF TRUSRTEES MEETING
MINUTES**

DECEMBER 9, 2009

Trustees Present:

Dr. James Yoh, Chair
Mr. Stanley Ellis, Vice Chair
Mr. Curtis J. Bashaw, Secretary
Ms. Emma N. Byrne
Ms. Mady Deininger
Mr. Albert L. Gutierrez
Dr. Clarence C. Hoover, III
Michael Jacobson, Esq.
Ms. Barbara J. Morvay
Mr. Dean C. Pappas
Mr. Dennis Coyle, Student Trustee
Mr. Conor P. Sullivan, Student Trustee Alternate
Dr. Herman J. Saatkamp, Ex Officio

Trustees Absent:

None

Call to Order:

Chairman Yoh called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 in Room K-203k. On November 10, 2006, notice of this meeting as required by the Open Public Meeting Act were (a) sent to the Business Services Office of the College, (b) the editors of The Press and 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 September 9, 2009:**

Upon a motion by Trustee Hoover and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to adopt the regular meeting minutes of September 9, 2009.

**Resolution to Meet in Closed
Session:**

Upon a motion by Trustee Ellis and second by Trustee Byrne, the Board voted to meet in Closed Session.

Report of the Chair:

Chairman Yoh reconvened the open/public session at 3:30 p.m., upon the Board's return closed session. Dr. Yoh acknowledged the passing of Dr. Vera King Farris, President Emerita and noted she encouraged him to join the board.

President's Report:

President Saatkamp commented on the difficult losses the College recently experienced, with the passing of G. Larry James, Dr. Paul Lyons, Dr. David Emmons, Dr. Ralph Bean, Mrs. Annette Thorpe, Dr. Farris and others. There was a moment of silence honoring Dr. Vera King Farris.

President Saatkamp highlighted the array of activities and

accomplishments of faculty and staff listed in the college report.

Dr. Saatkamp announced that Mr. Joseph Molineaux, Director of the New Jersey Small Business Development Center at Carnegie Library, received the *Small Business Development Center State Star* award at the National Association of Small Business. Mr. Molineaux was recognized for his contributions to New Jersey's statewide 11-center small business network and for successfully obtaining important funding through the strong public and private partnership. In 2008, the center provided counseling to 549 clients, sponsored 64 training events attended by over 1,000 entrepreneurs and existing businesses, and helped start 93 new businesses with 500 jobs.

**Special Recognition of the "Plater Award" – George L. Mehaffy:
American Association of State
Colleges and Universities
(AASCU):**

President Saatkamp also announced that Provost David Carr was selected among 400 of his colleagues nationwide to receive the prestigious *William M. Plater Award* for Leadership in Civic Engagement, which recognizes exceptional chief academic officers in higher education. Mr. George L. Mehaffy from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) presented Dr. Carr with the *Plater Award*, which was originally announced at the American Democracy Project meeting in June 2009.

President Saatkamp announced Dr. Carr will serve as key note speaker at the December 13 Commencement exercises.

**Special Presentation on Stockton
Affiliated Services, Inc. (SASI) –
Mr. Matt Altier:**

Mr. Matt Altier, Vice President of Administration and Finance, gave an update on activities of Stockton Affiliated Services, Inc. (SASI). He highlighted the following:

- SASI received its certificate of nonprofit incorporation from the state of New Jersey on July 22, 2008.
- SASI held its first meeting on September 5, 2008.
- In June 2009, the corporation was granted 501(c)(3) exemption status by the Internal Revenue Service.
- By September 2009, the Corporation purchased six homes, which have been leased to College staff, faculty, and graduate students, created a College transportation and shuttle service, and negotiated over \$40 million dollars in service contracts for the College.
- In 2009, SASI negotiated long-term contracts with national vendors, including Chartwells, Follett Higher Education Group, and Pepsi Bottling Group, which will produce over \$40,000,000 in revenue and capital investments over the next 15 years.
- SASI also owns and operates a shuttle bus for on-and-off campus services. An additional buss will be purchased.

Vice President Altier reported future projects will include increased residential housing, electronic billboards, and a hotel/conference center on or near the College campus, as well as, potential partnerships and expanded projects with the City of Hammonton, Dante Hall in Atlantic City, the Noyes Museum of Art, and Ponderlodge in Cape May County.

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

Committee Chair, Trustee Clarence Hoover, reported the Academic Affairs and Planning Committee were recommending several resolutions for board action. Provost Carr commented that the committee also discussed the Academic Calendar for 2010-2011, which will be submitted for Board approval at the February meeting.

**Improving Partnership and Active
Collaboration for Teacher Grant
(IMPACT) Resolution:**

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

**Approval Program: Master of Arts
in Educational Leadership
Resolution:**

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

**Approval of Program
Announcement: Master of
Science in Communication
Disorders Resolution:**

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

**Distinguished Service Award
Resolution:**

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

**Report of the Student Affairs
Committee - Stockton Board of
Trustees Fellowships for
Distinguished Students:**

Mr. Pedro Santana, Interim Dean of Students, announced the Stockton Board of Trustees Fellowships in the amount of \$5,750 were awarded to Stockton students for projects of a research and/or creative nature. The program, in its 25th year, is an important part of the College's year-round emphasis on academic excellence and the fostering of effective partnerships between students, faculty and the community. Recipients for the Winter Break/Spring 2010 Semester funding period include:

1. Jamie Franceschini, a senior majoring in Biology who was awarded a \$1,000 fellowship;
2. Ethan Hada, a sophomore Physics major who was awarded a \$1,000 fellowship;
3. Jessica Henry, a senior Literature major, who received a \$750 fellowship;
4. Stephen Liapis, a senior Environmental Sciences major, who received a \$1,000 fellowship;
5. Krystle Morrill, a senior Literature major, who received a \$1,000 fellowship; and
6. George Plamantourus, a senior Education major, who received a \$1,000 fellowship.

**Report of the Buildings and
Grounds Committee:**

Committee Chair, Trustee Bashaw, who was unable to attend the B&G meeting, called upon Trustee Byrne to give a brief report. She reported the B&G Committee recommended adoption of the Revised Facilities Master Plan, which was previously approved on March 2007. The new approval would be based on the collaboration of a finalized Master Plan that respects the concerns of the College and the Pinelands Commission and further establishes a strategic approach to ensure an overall development balance for the entire

campus.

President Saatkamp reported the College met with the Pinelands Commission on November 13, 2009 and has the support of Galloway Township and Atlantic County. The final approval may come from the Pinelands Commission as early as February 2010.

Adoption of the Revised Facilities Master Plan (from March 2007) Resolution:

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

Report of the Finance Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Ellis reported the Finance Committee met earlier in the day and reviewed a number of resolutions for Board approval. Trustee Ellis remarked the vote on the FY10 Bid Waiver would not be a part of the consent agenda.

Increase in Bid-Waivered Contracts Resolution (consent):

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

Undergraduate Tuition Discount for Summer Session, 2010 Resolution (consent):

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

College Facility Usage and Resource Fees for Calendar, 2010 Resolution (consent):

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

Approval Policy Concerning Actions Delegated by the Board Resolution (consent):

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

Authorizing the President or His Designee to Negotiate and Enter Into a Collaborative Agreement Resolution (consent):

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

FY10 Bid Waiver Resolution:

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

Trustee Byrne inquired why Chartwells was on the bid-waiver report since they were under the SASI umbrella. Vice President Altier replied that Chartwells had one more year under their old contract prior to renegotiating new contract under SASI.

FY11 State Budget Request Resolution:

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

Change in Managerial Reappointments Resolution:

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

Report of the Investment Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Ellis reported the Investment Committee met with TD Bank earlier today. The College's investments continue

to perform well and strategies put in place last year are working well; placing funds into equities (gradually over time). The returns over the last 12 months have shown a gain of about 6%.

Report of the Audit Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Gutierrez reported the Audit Committee was pleased to submit for board approval the audit report from ParenteBeard LLC (for the years ending June 30, 2009 and 2008 & Independent Auditors' Report). The fiscal operations of the College are free of material defects. In addition, the auditors did identify the unqualified report from the Foundation, without comment. Trustee Gutierrez praised the support staff for their cooperation with auditors and the fine job done throughout the year.

Acceptance of the Audit Report from ParenteBeard LLC:

Upon a motion by Trustee Gutierrez and second by Trustee, the Board voted to adopt the auditor's report from ParenteBeard LLC, with an abstention from Trustee Coyle.

Report of the Development Committee:

Committee Chair, Trustee Byrne reported the committee met with the Foundation Board Chair, Ms. Gayle Gross, to discuss the initiatives of the Foundation:

- Engage again the services of Ruffolo Cody to assist with the Annual Fund phone-a-thon. Just completed a four-week program in which the donors grew from 146 to 996, with a \$40,000 increase from last year. A second six-week phone-a-thon will begin in the spring.
- The Foundation Board has agreed to cover approximately \$32,000 in student scholarships.
- The Richard Stockton Society will once again recognize those donors who have contributed \$1,000 or more during the fiscal year (from July to June 30).
- The Spring Benefit Gala will be held on April 24, 2010 at The Borgata Casino and Spa.

Personnel Actions Resolution:

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

Other Business:

There was no other business at this time.

Comments from the Public:

President Saatkamp announced Commencement will be held on Sunday, December 13, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. He also invited everyone to attend the January 17, 2010 Celebration in honor of the life and legacy of the late Dr. Vera King Farris, President Emerita and Distinguished Professor.

Dr. Israel Posner, Executive Director of the School of Continuing Studies, announced the College received a grant from the Department of Labor (\$50,000) which provides for training in Cape May County.

Dr. William Cromartie, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies, addressed the Board reading his concerns over the revised the Master Plan and lack of participation from the environmental studies

faculty and other faculty in that process. He encouraged the administration to engage the faculty and take advantage of their expertise in the development of such plans. In closing, he commented his colleagues and students stand willing to help if they asked (remarks are attached).

President Saatkamp commented Mr. Cromartie's remarks were well taken and noted the administration has every intention of collaborating with the faculty and students.

Chairman Yoh remarked the Board appreciated and respected Dr. Cromartie's willingness to help and his comments will be taken into consideration as we move forward.

Comments from the Board of Trustees:

Trustees Jacobson and Hoover wished the Board members a very happy holiday and prosperous New Year.

Next Regularly Meeting:

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the Anne B. Townsend Residential Life Center.

Adjournment:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Ellis, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

For the Board,

Brian K. Jackson
Assistant Secretary

Approved by the Board of Trustees on February 17, 2010