

**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
OPEN/PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

**February 15, 2012**

**Trustees Present:**

Mr. Stanley Ellis, Chair  
Curtis J. Bashaw, Vice Chair  
Mr. Raymond R. Ciccone  
Michael Jacobson, Esq.  
Mr. Dean C. Pappas  
Leo B. Schoffer, Esq.  
Mr. Sualeh Hafeez, Student Trustee  
Mr. Charles Nusbaum, Student Trustee Alternate  
Dr. Herman Saatkamp, Ex Officio

**Trustees Absent:**

Ms. Emma N. Byrne, Secretary  
Ms. Mady Deininger  
Dr. Clarence C. Hoover, III.  
Ms. Barbara Morvay  
Dr. James Yoh

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Ellis called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 in the Campus Center, Board of Trustees Room. On July 14, 2009, June 21, 2010, and August 24, 2011, 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 December 7, 2011:**

Upon a motion by Trustee Schoffer and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to adopt the regular meeting minutes of December 7, 2011.

**Resolution to Meet in Closed Session:**

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

**Report of the Chair:**

Chairman Ellis encouraged everyone to attend the Annual Spring Benefit Gala on Saturday, April 21, 2012 at the Borgata in Atlantic City, NJ.

**Swearing in of newly elected Trustee – Raymond R. Ciccone:**

Chair Ellis administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Board member, Raymond R. Ciccone.

**President's Report:**

President Saatkamp remarked that Trustee Ciccone was in the graduating class of 1979 at Stockton and has also served on the College's Foundation Board. He also commended the faculty and staff on their scholarly activity and community engagement listed in the board book.

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

Trustee Curtis Bashaw, Chair of the Academic Affairs and Planning Committee reported the committee met earlier in the day and recommended the Academic Calendar for Fall Term 2012 and Spring Term 2013 for board approval. Trustee Bashaw also reported the VETeach

Program Bill recently passed unanimously through the State Senate and will be introduced shortly in the Assembly.

Provost Harvey Kesselman replied VETeach, coordinated by Stockton and the Director of Operation College Promise, allows military veterans to earn a baccalaureate degree with an Elementary Teacher Certification (K-5) and Specialization (6-8) in four years. Stockton will be the pilot institution. The goal is to encourage veterans to work in elementary and middle schools in urban environments where there is an under-representation of men and minorities in the teaching profession.

**Academic Calendar (Fall 2012 and Spring Term 2013) Resolution:**

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

**Report of the Student Affairs and Planning Committee**

Student Trustee Sualeh Hafeez reported the committee met earlier in the day to review the Spring 2012 Preliminary Enrollment Report.

**Spring 2012 Preliminary Enrollment Report:**

Dean John Iacovelli presented the Spring 2012 Preliminary Enrollment Report. There are 553 new students enrolled including, 13 freshmen, 455 transfers, and 13 readmits. An additional 72 students were readmitted who had not attended another institution. Undergraduate student trends included 993 transfer applicants, a 15.5% increase compared to 2011. The per student credit load also increased from 15 to 15.2. In addition, headcounts and FTE (full time equivalents) over the last four years increased from 6,433 and 5,626 in 2007 to 7,003 and 6,660 in 2012, reflecting 3.4% and 5.1% increases, respectively.

Dr. Lewis Leitner, Dean of Graduate and Continuing Studies provided an update on graduate enrollment for Spring 2012. The HDCT (headcount) over the last eight years has increased from 338 in 2004 to 743 in 2012. The FTE (full-time equivalents) in 2004 was 210; compared to 428 in 2011. There were 117 new graduate students enrolled compared to 108 in 2011 (a 5% reduction). Dean Leitner noted the economy and fewer loan options for graduate students may be impacting enrollment. Continuing Studies enrollment was 3,597 (July 1-December 31, 2011) and the total number of non-credit courses was 140.

**Report of the Finance and Professional Services Committee Report:**

Interim Vice President of Administration and Finance, Bob D'Augustine, gave the report in the absence of Committee Chair, Trustee Emma Byrne, who participated in the committee meeting via teleconference. Mr. D'Augustine reported the committee unanimously recommended several action items for consideration and approval.

**Increase in Bid-Waivered Contracts Resolution (consent agenda):**

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

**FY12 Bid Waiver Resolution (consent agenda):**

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

**Report of the Audit Committee:**

Trustee Jacobson reported that the Audit Committee did not meet today. He also remarked a report would be given if necessary at the next Boar.

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

Trustee Dean Pappas stated the Committee met earlier today and that all projects are move forward and on schedule.

Mr. Donald Moore, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance, reported the Board was given a tour of the renovated Parkway Building, which houses the Southern Regional Institute and the Speech and Hearing Clinic. A significant focus will now be placed on housing solutions and ensuring the College has additional classroom space and parking. President Saatkamp has established a Parking Committee to work with a consultant to develop reasonable solutions for implementation. The Unified Science Center project is moving forward and is on target for a scheduled occupancy of Fall 2012 and Spring 2013. The Health Sciences campus also remains a focus as the program expands.

**Report of the Development Committee:**

Committee Chair, Trustee Dean Pappas, stated the Development Committee met earlier in the day. He reported that 74% of Stockton students graduate with an average debt of \$30,000. He noted the College was committed to helping reduce that figure by raising additional scholarship funds.

Dr. Phil Ellmore, Chief Development Officer, reported The goal of the comprehensive campaign is to raise the \$20 million by January 2014. As of December 31, 2011 Foundation assets were \$20 million. He noted and thanks The Azeez family for their \$5 million donation. Dr. Ellmore also acknowledged Trustee Ciccone for his serve to the Foundation Board and announced the names of individuals being nominated at the upcoming Foundation meeting: Mr. Richard Dozy ('75) as Second Vice Chair; Ms. Donna Buzby as Audit Committee Chair, and Mr. David Hughes ('86) as Finance Committee Chair. The Foundation Board is also undertaking strategic planning; a result of the self assessment process over the summer. The Foundation will work closely with the college's Chief Planning Officer to bring their plans in line with the College's strategic plans.

**Report of the Investment Committee:**

President Saatkamp reported the Investment Committee met twice since the December 2011 Board meeting. The purpose of those meetings was to settle on firms to manage college investments. The Investment Committee approved and recommended to the board Credit Suisse Securities (SUA) LLC and Ashford Consulting Group as the College's designated investment fund managers.

**Designation of Investment Fund Managers Resolution:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Jacobson and second by Trustee Pappas, the Board voted to adopt the resolution designating Credit Suisse Securities (SUA) LLC and Ashford Consulting Group managers of the College's Investment Fund. Trustee Ellis remarked the Executive Committee preauthorized the resolution on January 17, 2012.

**Personnel Actions Resolution:**

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

**Special Articulation Agreement Signing Ceremony with Philadelphia University, Reliance Medical Group, and Stockton:**

President Saatkamp remarked Stockton continues to focus on building collaborations with other institutions, including an agreement between Stockton, Philadelphia University, and Reliance Medical Group. President Saatkamp was joined by Provost Kesselman, Dean Brenda Stevenson-Marshall, Dr. Stephen Spinelli, President and Dr. Randy Swearer of

Philadelphia University, and President and CEO, Dr. John M. Regis, MD., and Executive Vice President and COO, Vince Papaccio representing the Reliance Medical Group, to formally sign the articulation agreement.

Dr. Spinelli commented he was honored to be partnering with Stockton and the Reliance Group for a collaboration that will manifest in a special program across two-states. He said Pennsylvania University seeks out special institutions like Stockton and this was just the beginning of bigger and broader relationship.

Dr. Regis stated Reliance, with 233 offices, is one on the largest medical specialty public agencies in the state of New Jersey and that they recognized a need for his partnership, due to the lack of primary care doctors in the area. Reliance is honored to also be a partner and he was excited to see the growth at Stockton.

Dr. Brenda Stevenson Marshall, Dean of the School of Health Sciences commented this initiative will help the community by offering a physician assistant program.

President Saatkamp also noted the shortage of health care workers and that providing a physician assistant program will strengthen the health sciences program.

Chairman Ellis congratulated the College and the other organizations for coming together in ways that will benefit the community.

**Comments from the Board:**

There were no comments from the Board at this time.

**Comments from the Public:**

Mr. Pedro Santa, Dean of Students introduced and welcomed Ms. Denise O'Neill as the new Director of Residential Life.

**Next Regularly Meeting:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. in the Board of Trustees Room, Campus Center.

**Adjournment:**

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hoover and second by Trustee Jacobson, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

For the Board,

Brian K. Jackson, Assistant Secretary to the Board

**Approved by the Board of Trustees on May 2, 2012**