

FULL BOARD MEETING – QCC HRM Program – Worcester Senior Center

September 11, 2023 – 9:15 am

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Linda Maykel, Eric Goodwine, Geri Herlihy, Juan Gomez, Satya Mitra, Lori Jones, Mariyam Basim Bhatti, Raj Rajeshkumar, Lynn Keeley-via Zoom

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Alex Zequeira, Maria Mikhaeil

CABINET PRESENT: President Pedraja, VP Steve Marini, VP Michelle Tufau, VP Viviana Abreu-Hernandez, ED Kevin Lovaincy, AVP Deb LaFlash, Jessica Ahrens, Lu Costa-Board Secretary

Meeting commenced at 9:20 am by Chair Linda Maykel and roll call attendance noted.

Chair Maykel welcomed everyone and spoke to the group about her new role as Chair. She discussed some expectations of the Board and spoke about Dr. Marti and what to expect during the retreat after the business meeting.

The Board of Trustees of Quinsigamond Community College, at its regular meeting held at the Worcester Senior Center on Monday September 11, took the following actions:

Consent Agenda: *The purpose of the Consent Agenda is to expedite business by grouping routine agenda items together to be dealt with by one Board motion without discussion. Any member of the Board or staff may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be removed and placed later on the agenda for full discussion. Such requests will be automatically respected.*

If any item is not removed from the Consent Agenda, the action on the agenda is approved/accepted by single Board action adopting the Consent Agenda.

1. Minutes from the June 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting (approve)
2. Trust Fund Reports –FY24 through current period (accept)
3. Informational Personnel Items (accept)
4. President’s Out-of-State Travel (accept)
5. President’s Leave Time (accept)

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, and a roll call vote, the Consent Agenda was approved/accepted by the Board.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Audit and Oversight – No Report - Meeting on 9/27/23
Trustees Herlihy (Chair), Gomez, Goodwine, Jones, Mitra

B. Strategic Planning, Education, and Student Success - No Report - Meeting on 9/27/23
Trustees Zequeira (Chair), Basim Bhatti, Keeley, Maykel, Mikhaeil, Rajeshkumar

C. Executive Committee (5/16/23)
Trustees Maykel (Chair), Herlihy, and Zequeira

1. SIS Update

President Pedraja updated the Board on the Anthology contract. We have severed ties with them, and the legal team is working on the approach for separation. We are entering into a contract with Jenzabar, the product we have been using, and they will update the system and we will not pay until fully implemented. Marini explained that we

have a 2-year implementation plan. This will be less costly than Anthology.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, and a roll call vote, moving to Jenzabar was approved/accepted by the Board.

2. Board Self-Assessment

Having reviewed the self-assessment and there being no further discussion, the Trustees moved to vote.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, and a roll call vote, the self-assessment was approved/accepted by the Board.

3. Presidential Evaluation Results

Having reviewed the evaluation results and there being no further discussion, the Trustees moved to vote.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, and a roll call vote, the President's Annual Evaluation was approved/accepted by the Board.

NECHE ACCREDITATION EXPECTATIONS

AVP Kevin Li and Professor Judy Colson joined the meeting via Zoom to provide expectations of the Trustees during the upcoming decennial accreditation visit in October. All will be invited to a welcome dinner on 10/1 and there will be a meeting planned for the Trustees and the accreditation team. They presented the timeline and outcomes. President Pedraja provided some insight as an evaluator.

BOARD COMMITTEES

Chair Maykel explained that she has placed all new trustees on committees and shared the full list with everyone.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Pedraja introduced Beth Fullerton, Coordinator of Transfer/Articulation, who joined the meeting to speak to the Board about the MCCC raises. The President provided some background and explained that Non-Unit Professionals are not taking the raise until the MCCC union gets their raises funded. These raises are already approved and are retroactive back to 2020. There has not been a lot of action moving this forward in the legislature. As soon as the legislature approves, the College is ready to pay the retro and begin the raises. Luis urged the Trustees to call their legislators and remind them of the importance and urgency of this modest increase.

Ms. Fullerton represented the MCCC Union and expressed the importance of this. They have not had an increase in 4 years and have been promised since May that it would be in a supplemental budget this year. Ms. Costa will send legislative contact information and some talking points as well to the full Board.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 am.

Upcoming Meetings:

Executive Committee – Wednesday November 8, 2023, 4:00 pm

Strategic Planning, Education & Student Success Committee – Wednesday, September 27, 2023, 4:00 pm

Audit & Oversight Committee – Wednesday, September 27, 2023, 5:00 pm

Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 5:00 pm

**Respectfully submitted,
Lucinda Costa
QCC Board Secretary**