

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
BCCC Board of Trustees**

**March 18, 2015
BC3 Main Campus**

- Members Present** William DiCuccio, Grace Hawkins, Jennifer Linn, Gordon Marburger, Bruce Mazzoni, Scott McDowell, Glenn Miller, Dick Rittelmann, Nancy Staible, Ray Steffler
- Members Absent** Joan Chew, Jim Ferguson, Kim Geyer, Paul Harris, Bill McCarrier, Gail Paserba
- Also Present** Susan Changnon, Linda Dodd, Jim Hrabosky, Nick Neupauer, Bill O'Brien, Brian Opitz, Ruth Purcell, Julie Sheptak, Francie Spigelmyer, Case Willoughby, Bill Miller, Renee Piovesan, Kate Malongowski-*Butler Eagle*
- Call To Order** Mr. Steffler called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m.
- Agenda** Mr. McDowell moved to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.
- Minutes** Mr. Mazzoni moved to approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2015, Regular Board Meeting. Motion Carried.
- Introduction of Guests** Susan Changnon introduced today's guests.
- Treasurer's Report** Jim Hrabosky reviewed the January and February Operating, Capital and Restricted Funds Budget Summaries as well as the fall 2013 vs. fall 2014 enrollment comparison report. The Budget Summaries were accepted as presented.
- Public Comment** None
- President's Report** Dr. Neupauer reported on the following:
State and Federal Activities
-Dr. Neupauer attended the National Legislative Summit in February. Much of the discussion was on President Obama's free community college proposal.
-The College is getting much press coverage regarding the Prior Learning Assessment initiative. Only the *Post-Gazette* put a negative light on it. However, they printed a rebuttal from Dr. Neupauer.
-Dr. Neupauer is testifying before both the PA House and Senate on March 19, on the topic of community college funding.
-The PA Dept. of Education confirmed community colleges will receive a 7% increase in funding next year, pending final budget approval by the Legislature.
-Dr. Neupauer and Jim Hrabosky will attend a meeting at Harrisburg Area Community College on March 20, to discuss a new funding model.

-On March 24, Dr. Neupauer will speak to college and university presidents at the annual meeting of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania.

-Ms. Geyer and Mr. Steffler will join Dr. Neupauer and staff at the annual meeting of the PA Commission for Community Colleges and Lobby Day activities on April 13-14. Six BC3 students will also participate in Lobby Day.

College Activities

-The College will be closed on April 3, in observance of Good Friday.

-Thank-you to Ms. Geyer and Ms. Hawkins for their participation in the tour of Westmoreland County Community College's Advanced Technology Center on March 2.

-Thank-you to Susan Changnon and the 50th Anniversary committee for their work in the celebration of the College's charter on March 3.

-Dr. Thomas Ten Hoeve will be the keynote speaker at Commencement on May 20. There will be a reception from 2:30-4:00 p.m. in his honor. He will attend the board meeting at 5:00 p.m. as well.

-Dr. Neupauer reported that BC3 is establishing a presence in Armstrong County.

-The Nursing and Allied Health division hosted an accreditation team in January. Results of the visit will be shared in June.

-There is much interest in the Degree Completion Partnerships that were established on February 25.

Committee Reports

Executive

Mr. Steffler reported there was a joint meeting with the Facilities committee on March 3. Agenda items included an update on the Heaton Family Learning Commons, student housing, a history of enrollment for Armstrong County students, timbering opportunities, the current budget and the timeline for the 2015-16 budget preparation.

Finance

No report.

Facilities

-Brian Opitz reported he is conducting an evaluation of College property as related to timbering. The Butler Area Sewer Authority is considering timbering some of their property. Their property line abuts BC3. BASA inquired about the possibility of joint timbering. No plans or commitments have been made beyond Brian having the evaluation done.

-A design development package with 87 drawings of the Heaton Family Learning Commons was received. A meeting will be held on March 19, with the stakeholders. The name of a construction company will be presented to the board for approval at the June 16, board meeting. Construction is expected to be complete by June 2016.

-The main entrance signage was fabricated over the winter. It will be built in April and installed in time for the May events.

-Mr. Rittelmann and the Facilities committee have discussed the bricks and mortar needs for the future of BC3. We do not currently have a good handle on this. Mr. Rittelmann has spoken with Dr. Spigelmyer and Ann McCandless for their input. This is a heads-up as more discussion needs to take place.

Executive Session An Executive Session was held from 1:02-1:52 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel-related issues.

Personnel Dr. DiCuccio reported the committee met today to discuss faculty tenure, advancement in rank and personnel matters.

Motion-Tenure

Dr. DiCuccio moved that Les Graves be granted tenure. Motion Carried.

Motion-Advancement in Rank

Dr. DiCuccio moved that the following faculty receive advancement in rank:

Instructor to Assistant Professor

Melissa Philson
Karen Stubenbort

Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

Karen Aul

Associate Professor to Professor

Tammy Boice

Motion Carried.

Academic Assessment No report.

Quality Assessment Ms. Staible reported the committee is scheduled to meet on April 7.

Foundation Ruth Purcell reported on the following:
-The public phase of the campaign will be announced this summer.
-The groundbreaking of the Heaton Family Learning Commons is scheduled for June 24.
-The Florida event was very productive. Thank-you to the Hunters for their generosity.

Alumni Council No report.

Old Business No report.

New Business No report.

Adjournment Mr. McDowell moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.


Bruce Mazzoni
Secretary

