

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

**January 20, 2021
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- Members Present** Ken DeFurio, William DiCuccio, Kim Geyer, Vicki Hinterberger, Joe Kubit, Robi Lombardo, Gordon Marburger, Brian McCafferty, Scott McDowell, Gail Paserba, Jennifer Pullar, Bruce Russell, Carmine Scotece, Joe Taylor, Nadine Tripodi
- Members Absent** Glenn Miller
- Also Present** Tina Fleeger, Jim Hrabosky, Jess Matonak, Nick Neupauer, Brian Opitz, Belinda Richardson, Julie Sheptak, Case Willoughby, Erika Nail, Steve Ferris-*Butler Eagle*
- Call to Order** Mr. Kubit called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.
- Agenda** Mr. McCafferty moved to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.
- Minutes** The minutes of the December 2, 2020, board meeting were approved as written.
- Introduction of Guests** Dr. Neupauer called roll.
- Treasurer's Report** Jim Hrabosky reviewed the December Operating and Capital Funds Budget Summaries as well as the enrollment comparison reports for spring 2020 and 2021. A copy of the Treasurer's Report will be included with the minutes of this meeting.
- Public Comment** None
- President's Report** Dr. Neupauer reported on the following:
State and Federal Activities
-Community colleges are waiting for clarification on CRSSA (CARES II) funding. There seems to be greater flexibility with the funds. This is potentially good news, but from a college perspective, we need this clarification before we can determine a potential rebudget. Community colleges are lobbying to get some of the CRSSA funding that goes to the governor. Thanks to Case & Jim who worked tirelessly on this.
-Dr. Neupauer attended a Council of Presidents virtual meeting on January 4 and 5. The focus of the meeting was state funding for next year.

College Activities

- Classes began on January 19. From all indications, it was a good start. We remain in a yellow modified phase through February 5.
- We continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation. There are currently eight active cases with seven being faculty/staff on Main Campus and one being a remote student.
- We received a \$1.75 million RACP grant from the state for BC3 @ Armstrong. Thanks to Scott McDowell and his companies, BelleFlex Technologies and PulFlex Technologies, as well as Snyder Associated Companies and the Armstrong County commissioners for their gifts. We now have the required 50 percent of funds for the project, allowing for a state match.
- The South Campus project, including the Victor K. Phillips Nursing and Allied Health building, is going very well. We are on-target with the project timeline. We continue to pursue the LPN program and have raised \$4 million in private giving for nursing. To date, we also have a \$30,000 commitment and other meetings scheduled with donors.
- Donations to the Caitlyn Kaufman '18 Legacy Nursing scholarship have been excellent with \$20,000 received to date. Donations continue to come in by the day.
- There was a nice story on Dr. Belinda Richardson published in the January 17, edition of the *Butler Eagle*. Thanks to the *Butler Eagle* for the coverage.
- Developmental Education work continues. Identifying barriers, maximizing strengths and recommending strategies for student success in Developmental Education is the focus.
- January 19, was one year since the passing of Dale Pinkerton. To date, \$60,600 has been received for his scholarship.
- Bob Heaton passed away on January 2, at the age of 91. From a fund raising perspective, great credit goes to Mr. Heaton for making the first \$1 million gift to BC3. The College will host an appropriate celebration for Mr. Heaton when appropriate.

Executive

No report.

Finance

Motion 2019-2020 Audit

Mr. McDowell moved to accept the 2019-20 audit as prepared by Maher Duessel CPAs. Motion Carried.

Facilities

Brian Opitz reported on the following:

- Phase I of the South Campus project's site work is 80 percent complete. The Operations building is 50 percent complete and is expected to be done the end of April. The second part of Phase I is the demolition of the Shipping/Receiving building.
- Phase II of the South Campus project is construction of the Victor K. Phillips Nursing and Allied Health building. The scope of the project has been slowed down a bit. We are currently moving forward with the building design.

-BC3 @ Armstrong – A meeting was held with the design team. We started preliminary work on the project one year ago and are ready to move forward. A meeting is scheduled with the landlords on January 21. Construction will begin in June 2021, with completion in June 2022. There is much excitement about this project in the Ford City area.

Personnel Ms. Pullar reported the committee met today, but no report.

Academic Assessment No report.

Quality Assessment Mr. Scotece reported the committee met on January 6, to discuss the board assessment instrument that is currently being developed. It should be ready by the next board meeting.

Foundation Dr. Neupauer reported on the following:

- The Foundation received an unmodified, clean audit for 2019-20.
- New scholarships were established: Alyssa R. Blakley '13 Highfield Youth Baseball Scholarship and the Caitlyn Kaufman '18 Legacy Nursing Scholarship.
- Dr. Neupauer is spending much time making phone calls with donors and friends of the College.
- A search for the Executive Director's position is planned to begin this spring.
- The Foundation staff is doing a great job.
- Dr. Thomas TenHoeve served as BC3 president from 1970-84. Dr. Neupauer spoke with him recently. Dr. TenHoeve relayed how BC3 picked up the nursing program when Butler Health System ended their program during Dr. TenHoeve's tenure. Such great collaboration does not happen everywhere.

Alumni Council No report.

Old Business None

New Business

- Mr. Kubit reported Commencement is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021, and the board meeting (normally held on the same day as Commencement) is scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 12:30 p.m.
- Mr. Kubit informed the board about accessing the BC3 emergency alert system. Once registered, emergency and weather alert text messages are sent to your cell phone. Signing up for the alerts is voluntary and accessed by clicking on "Sign up for BC3 Alerts" on the home page of the bc3 website.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Jennifer Pullar
Secretary