

**MINUTES**  
**District Board of Trustees**  
**Tallahassee Community College**  
**444 Appleyard Drive**  
**Tallahassee, FL 32304**  
**Monday, May 20, 2019**  
**Business Meeting – 2:30 pm**

The May 2019 District Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Chair Moore at approximately 2:30 p.m.

**Members Present:** Chair Moore, Trustees Callaway, Kilpatrick, Lamb, Messersmith, and Pople  
**Absent:** None  
**Via phone:** None

**Others Present:** President Murdaugh, Lenda Kling, Craig Knox, Bob Ballard, Mike Robeck, Bobby Jones, Kim Moore, Greg Gibson, Heather Mitchell, Kalynda Holton, Melissa Soldani, Stacie Sheffield, Gloria Mitchell, Calandra Stringer, Sharisse Turner, E.E. Eunice, Don Herr, Gerald Jones, Barbara Wills, Renae Tolson, Nyla Davis, Frank Mix, Candice Grause, Amy Bradbury, Sheri Rowland, Lei Wang, Tracy Woodard, Travis Jordan, Selina Starling, Alice Maxwell, Bill Spiers, Ayanna Young and Patricia Manning

**COMMENTS**

**Board Chair** – Chair Moore asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Members** – The Trustees commented on the recent graduation and pinning ceremonies

**President** – President Murdaugh thanked the Trustees for attending the many events.

He introduced Executive Vice President and Provost Madeline Pumariega, who indicated she was thrilled to be back on a college campus and honored to implement the President's vision.

VP Rowland and VP Moran introduced the new people in their areas.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Moore asked if there were any comments and requested a motion to approve the April 15, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION:** Trustee Pople  
Motion passed unanimously.

**SECOND:** Trustee Messersmith

**INFORMATION AND NEWS ITEMS**

Director Maxwell shared information on recent TCC activities and media coverage.

Chair Moore stated the President's evaluation earlier today showed we have the right person, at the right place, at the right time. The Trustees shared President Murdaugh is confident and a leader who keeps the Trustees informed, is a great communicator, only takes a raise when faculty and staff receive one, surrounds himself with great people, cares about the students and

they know it, and personifies all the categories/qualifies listed on his evaluation form. Chair Moore said the written evaluation clearly shows he has one hundred percent (100%) support from the Board of Trustees.

President Murdaugh stated he was humbled by the evaluation, he could tell some of the written comments were heartfelt and they really touched him. He shared he is grateful for the Board's governance and leadership, indicating there are great people doing work at TCC.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **PRESENTATIONS**

VP Mitchell recognized the DeWitt Miller Family for their donation to the classroom projects.

Dean Murgo, Tom Waller and several of the Model United Nations team shared information on their recent conference awards and plans for the upcoming year.

John Schultz and the Forensics Team shared information on their recent high-level awards. President Murdaugh recognized student Tourean Underwood, Captain of the Forensics Team and a spring graduate who transferred to FSU.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Chair Moore asked if there were any questions, with none received.

**MOTION:** Trustee Lamb                      **SECOND:** Trustee Callaway  
Motion passed unanimously.

### **TCC Foundation**

#### TCC Foundation Update (Information)

VP Mitchell provided an overview of Foundation activities and upcoming events.

### **Administrative Services**

#### Fund Analysis (Information)

Chair Moore asked if there were any questions, with none received.

#### Construction Status Report (Information)

Chair Moore asked if there were any questions, with none received.

#### Accounts Receivable Write-Off (Action)

President Murdaugh shared the write-offs are down significantly from last year.

This request is for the Board to authorize write-off of accounts receivables.

**MOTION:** Trustee Lamb                      **SECOND:** Trustee Messersmith  
Motion passed unanimously.

#### Annual SREF Fire, Sanitation and Casualty Inspection (Action)

Chair Moore asked if there were any questions, with none received.

This request is for the Board to approve the annual Fire, Safety, Sanitation and Casualty Inspection reports in accordance with Florida Statutes.

**MOTION:** Trustee Pople  
Motion passed unanimously.

**SECOND:** Trustee Kilpatrick

### **Student Affairs**

#### Degree in Memoriam for David S. Lowe (Action)

VP Rowland recognized and presented the family of David S. Lowe with a Degree in Memoriam. The family indicated David loved this school, asking that we keep the Hero scholarship going.

This request is for the Board to approve awarding of the degree in memoriam.

**MOTION:** Trustee Lamb                      **SECOND:** Trustee Pople  
Motion passed unanimously.

Melissa Soldani, who funds the Hero scholarship with profits from a book she wrote, shared a room at the VA Center (where her and her students serve veterans) was named after her.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **WORKSHOP**

#### 2019-2020 Budget

President Murdaugh stated this is to share information and prepare or the approval of the final budget next month. VP Wills indicated TCC tuition remains the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) lowest in the state and provided an overview of the draft budget. She stated TCC has several priorities including, but not limited to, no tuition or fee increases, a two percent (2%) pay raise for regular established positions, a livable wage of twelve dollars (\$12) hourly for full-time regular employees, and a focus on strategic priorities.

President Murdaugh stated VP Wills brought forward the idea of a livable wage, sharing this college sits in the zip code with the highest poverty level in the state and it is important we look at our employee wages.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Murdaugh shared Trustee Grant was not confirmed by the Senate during this session and because of the timing of his appointment and Senate rules, Trustee Grant (among others across the state) could not continue as a Trustee. He stated the rules further require that Trustee Grant may not reapply for a year. He said we will work with the appointments office to identify and get approved a replacement for Leon County.

### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

Monday, June 17, 2019

Location: **Main Campus**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Minutes approved at the regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees on June 17, 2019.

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**Karen Moore**  
**Chair**

May 20, 2019

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**Jim Murdaugh, Ph.D.**  
**President**

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