

Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees
Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 18, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Whitney 210
Presiding: Trustee Melanie Littlejohn, Vice-chair

Trustees: Jaime Alicea; Melanie Littlejohn; Tara Owens; John Sindoni; Neil Strodel; Mark Tryniski

Staff: Dr. Agatha Awuah; Kimberly Blanchet; Mike Borsz; Dr. David Bzdak; Russ Corbin; Dr. Casey Crabill; Kathleen D'Aprix; Dylan Donahue; Sarah Gaffney; Dr. Christina Granato; Julie Hart; Rebecca Hoda-Kearse; Dr. Patrick Kenny; Amy Kremenek; John LaRose; Mark Manning; Eric Miccio; Roger Mirabito; Dr. Kevin Moore; Lisa Moore; Dr. Art Peterson; JT Ryan; Timothy Stedman; Nina Tamrowski; Wendy Tarby; Dr. Christopher Thuot; Anastasia Urtz; Dr. Julie White; Dr. Daria Willis; Patricia Zabel

Guests: Jeremy Attrill; Dennis Hebert; Linda Hebert

Executive Session

At 8:43 a.m., Trustee Littlejohn called for a motion to enter into Executive Session under the provisions of Section 105, Article 7f of the Public Officers Law to discuss financial matters. **On motion by Trustee Owens and seconded by Trustee Sindoni, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved a motion to enter into Executive Session.**

At 9:08 a.m., **on motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Strodel, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved a motion to move out of Executive Session and return to the board meeting.**

Call to Order

At 9:08 a.m., Trustee Littlejohn called the board meeting to order.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Trustee Littlejohn requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. **On motion by Trustee Sindoni and seconded by Trustee Owens, the consent agenda was unanimously approved.**

Chair's Report

***Resolution Congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship - Lacrosse**

On motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship – Lacrosse, was unanimously approved.

***Resolution Congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship - Track**

On motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship – Track – Jerome Luckey, was unanimously approved.

*Resolution Congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship - Tennis
On motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution congratulating the 2019 Men's NJCAA National Championship – Tennis, was unanimously approved.

*Resolution to Approve the Slate of Officers for 2019-20
On motion by Trustee Tryniski, and seconded by Trustee Strodel, the resolution to approve the slate of officers for 2019-20 was unanimously approved.

*Trustee Conflict of Interest

Trustee Littlejohn reminded Trustees that it is time for them to complete their yearly conflict of interested statement for the College. Please complete them before leaving today. For those trustees not in attendance, Julie Hart will email them to you.

NYCCT Conference – September 20 – 22, 2019 – Saratoga Springs

Trustee Littlejohn reminded trustees of the dates for the upcoming NYCCT conference. Anyone interested in attending should contact Julie Hart.

President's Report

*Resolution Approving the Exploration of Shared Services Between and Among Cayuga Community College, Jefferson Community College, Onondaga Community College and Tompkins Cortland Community College

On motion from Trustee Sindoni and seconded by Trustee Strodel, the resolution approving the exploration of Shared Services between and among Cayuga Community College, Jefferson Community College, Onondaga Community College and Tompkins Cortland Community College, was unanimously approved.

*Resolutions of Appreciation for Retirees, Distinguished Retirees and Faculty Emeritus
On motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Tryniski, the resolutions of appreciation for Retirees, Distinguished Retirees, and Faculty Emeritus, were unanimously approved.

Dr. Crabill introduced Dennis Hebert, OCC Foundation Board Chair, and recipient of the John H. Mulroy Founder's Award. Mr. Hebert was unable to attend last month's board meeting, so he has joining us today to accept his award. Dr. Crabill and the Trustees offered their congratulations.

*Resolution to Accept and Approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Onondaga Community College and the Onondaga Community College Federation of Teachers and Administrators (Faculty) AFT, Local 1845

Dr. Crabill offered her thanks to the people that participated as members of the negotiations team and who are bringing the final version of the contract for a vote today. **On motion by Trustee Alicea and seconded by Trustee Sindoni, the resolution to accept and approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Onondaga Community College and the Onondaga Community College Federation of Teachers and Administrators (Faculty) AFT, Local 1845, was unanimously approved.**

*Resolution to Accept and Approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Onondaga Community College and the Onondaga Community College Federation of Teachers and Administrators (Professional Administrators) AFT, Local 1845

On motion by Trustee Tryniski and seconded by Trustee Alicea, the resolution to accept and approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Onondaga Community College and the Onondaga Community College Federation of Teachers and Administrators (Professional Administrators) AFT, Local 1845, was unanimously approved.

OCCFTA Update – President Timothy Stedman

Dr. Crabill introduced OCCFTA President, Timothy Stedman, who provided an update on negotiations. First and foremost, he offered his thanks to the Trustees for approving both agreements. He explained that it was quite a journey, and his goal at the beginning of the process was to set the tone moving forward, almost 18 months ago. They began with IBB training through Cornell and then developed a team approach, working to approve both contracts together. There were difficult conversations, but all decisions were done in the best interests of the College. Overall it was a rewarding process with an intense pace which increased in frequency at the end. The vote was 95% in favor for faculty; 85% in favor for Professional Administrators. Both sides worked through an amazing amount of changes, including structural changes for the health of the institution. Professor Stedman offered his thanks to both teams and to Dr. Crabill for her support through this process.

Faculty Council of Community Colleges Update

Dr. Crabill introduced Professor Nina Tamrowski, outgoing President of the Faculty Council of Community Colleges and incoming President of the Faculty Senate, to provide an update. Professor Tamrowski reviewed a few highlights from the SUNY Board of Trustees, including the community college funding floor, community college committee, student life committee, and SUNY legal issues. Some major SUNY initiatives include SUNY Online, PRODI-G, and the revision of SUNY General Education. Professor Tamrowski reviewed the highlights from the recent plenaries and the election of the new officers.

Title III Update

Dr. Crabill introduced Wendy Tarby, Associate Vice President, Institutional Planning & Research; Dr. David Bzdak, Professor of Philosophy; JT Ryan, Professor of Business; and Dr. Christopher Thuot, Professor of Political Science and Coordinator of the Honors College, to provide an update on Title III. Ms. Tarby began with an overview of the work to-date, and she introduced Dr. Bzdak, who reviewed the Schools concept. Dr. Thuot discussed the first Year Learning Outcomes while Professor Ryan discussed supports for students through coaching and Inside Track.

Presidential Evaluation

Dr. Crabill reminded trustees that she will email them her completed evaluation soon. She requested that all feedback be sent to John Sindoni in his new role as chair and additional conversations will ensue.

Dr. Crabill reminded trustees of the work done to-date with Yichun Teachers College in China. She explained that discussions continue with hopes for a final agreement and entering class for this fall, 2019.

Dr. Crabill explained that she will attend two high school graduations on Saturday – Jordan-Elbridge and Solvay. We have two students who will receive their High School diploma and OCC degree on the same day.

Committee Reports

Finance, Audit and Compliance Committee

No report at this time.

Education Committee

No report at this time.

OCC Foundation

Trustee Littlejohn introduced Neil Strodel to provide the OCC Foundation report. Trustee Strodel explained that revenue as of March 31, 2019 is \$478K; \$400K is from a bequest from an estate. As of the end of March, the Foundation has distributed more than \$250k in scholarship aid. The Believe in Better Campaign has reached \$1.46 million and work continues with two upcoming events – one at the home of Josh Wells and the other at 315 Brewery. In late July, invitations will be distributed for the TBT Tournament, where we will host a hospitality event.

There being no further business, Trustee Littlejohn adjourned the board meeting at 10:14 a.m.

Prepared by:

Julie Hart
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Submitted by:

Melanie Littlejohn
Vice-chair, Board of Trustees