

**FORT SCOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**Minutes of the Board of Trustees Training**  
**March 25, 2019**

**PRESENT:** John Bartelsmeyer, Bernita Hill, Liz Meyer, and Robert Nelson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Alysia Johnston, President, Juley McDaniel, Board Clerk, faculty, staff, and community members.

Chairman John Bartelsmeyer called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:** Chairman Bartelsmeyer reported that FSCC has processed \$4,644,126.69 in federal financial aid for the academic year, 51.8% of which was dispersed directly to students.

**HOUNDS OF THE WEEK UPDATE:** Head football coach Kale Pick summarized the football program's Hounds of the Week program that encourages academic success of team members. Coaches do academic checks and recognize four players each week to students who are excelling in academic representation of the team.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Hill, and carried by unanimous vote to move item E (Approval of Gordon Parks Museum Foundation by-laws) to the Action Items section of the agenda and replace item E of the consent agenda with Approval to Proceed with the Culinary Arts Certificate Program. A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Hill, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Consent Agenda as revised.

**ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A.** Adam Borth and Russ Souza reviewed details of FSCC's retention project. They and their committee have spent a year gathering data about why students stay at FSCC and why students leave FSCC. The data has revealed some patterns and provided insight that the committee is eager to address. They will be introducing a pilot Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) in English in the fall, including the cost of the Hawkes software in the course fees, and revising the late enrollment period, offer pro-active tutoring, and revamp the college orientation class, all in hopes of addressing the barriers to student retention. The next step in the project is to develop a strategic initiative.
- B.** A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Hill, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the presented tuition and fee schedule for academic year 2019/2020, including additional fees provided the night of the meeting.
- C.** A motion was made by Hill, seconded by Meyer, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the base bid of \$877,000 from Crossland Construction to complete the addition to Burris Hall.
- D.** A motion was made by Hill, seconded by Meyer, and carried by unanimous vote to appoint Jim Fewins to fill the Board vacancy.
- E.** A motion was made by Nelson, seconded by Hill, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Gordon Parks Foundation By-Laws as revised. The phrase "Board of Trustees" shall be replaced with "Gordon Parks Museum Foundation Board" every place it appears in Article III, IV, and V, and in the last sentence of Article II.

**REPORTS:**

- A. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:** The Board reviewed and heard reports from Miami County Campus, Student Services, Finance and Operations, and the President.

Robert Nelson provided highlights and the pamphlet from the Phi Theta Kappa Luncheon held on March 7 in Topeka. He said the group heard a great speaker and a student speaker. FSCC had three students from main campus and three students from Miami County campus that were honored.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Trustees, a motion to adjourn was made at 6:44 p.m. by Nelson, seconded by Hill, and carried by unanimous vote.

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Chairman

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