
DCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 24, 2021

Meeting Location: DCC Board Room

Approval: FINAL

Recorded By: Staci Rothamer

Attendance

Name	Title/Organization	Present
Chad Knudson	Chair	Yes
Darla Handran	Vice Chair	Yes
Spencer Johnson	Trustee	Yes
Cindy Larsen	Trustee	Yes
Sarah Thorson	Trustee	Yes
Mike Wilondek	Trustee	Yes
Scott Mickelsen	President	Yes
Suela Cela	VP – Academic and Student Affairs	Yes
Doug Cherry	VP – Business and Finance	Yes
Christina DiGangi	Faculty	Yes
Dennis Hart	DCC Foundation	Yes
Tyrel Huseby	DCC IT	Yes
Tsai-Ying Li	Faculty	Yes
Romeo Lagmay	Coach	Yes
Sarah North Wolfe	DC Advising & Dual Enrollment	Yes
Tom Reeves	Faculty	Yes
Staci Rothamer	DCC Assistant to the President	Yes
Leslie Weldon	VP – Advancement and Human Resources	Yes
Jennifer Wheeler	Faculty	Yes
Community Members		
Nancy Bacon	Community Member	Yes
Jacque Schultz	Community Member	Yes

Chad Knudson, Chair

Darla Handran, Vice Chair

Dawson Community College Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Monday, May 24, 2021 5:30 pm
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The meeting was called to order by Chair Knudson at 5:32 p.m. The Chair called for introductions.

Correspondence

None.

Minutes

- Trustee Thorson/Trustee Johnson moved/seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2021 board meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

President Mickelsen:

- Summer classes begin on June 1, 2021 – 12 total students will be staying on campus; 8 currently here and the rest will be arriving the beginning of June
- Enrollment is up 56 student athletes from an update provided this morning; approximately 107 students head count; 38.54 FTE's
- Board of Regents overturned 3 items that the governor signed in to law; free speech; transgender and gun law
- Budget Review – FY22 was provided by Doug Cherry
- Doug reviewed handouts from the packet; total current assets, total liabilities and about a change in net position. Discussion ensued.
- Increase in enrollment is expected
- All campus meeting was held; looking at options – more grants to look at
- College is doing good things with enrollment; another 50 students and 1.4 million in tuition for the year a significant increase
- Couple proposals were discussed including furloughs, layoffs and early retirements
- Full audit will be done end of this year so we know where we are at
- Committee asked for timeframe for answers – a special board meeting will be held the 10th of June which will focus on the budget issue

Finance Committee Meeting report by Trustee Wilondek:

- Committee met briefly - Ullman fund is positive and keeps going up; Covid funds are there for now and possibly will receive more; security camera project with Mid Rivers is on hold for now
- Doug Cherry asked if we could request from Ullman fund a withdrawal for this fiscal year; this fund is tied to vocational funds only so will be used for Career and Technical Education – this will be on the agenda for approval by the board during the special board meeting on June 10.

HR Committee Report by Vice Chair Handran:

- Report submitted; Darla spoke since this is her last meeting
- Temporary contracts on the HR Report are for Gear Up

- Dean of Student Success was not listed on the draft report
- Adjunct hired for Lewistown are from Lewistown and its going well finding qualified adjuncts

Policy Committee Report by Trustee Johnson

- Policy BP312 is on hold; the gun law is on hold until the Board of Regents meeting on May 26th and May 27th; Gun law is to go into effect as of June 1st.

Chairman Knudson called for public comment. There was none.

Consent Items

Motion carried unanimously.

- Vice Chair Handran /Trustee Johnson moved/seconded the motion for the Vouchers List, HR Report, and Presidents report.

New Business

- Seat new members – Trustee Wilondek and Trustee Thorson
- Nominate Chairperson, Vice Chair and Clerk/Secretary of Board
 - Chairman Knudson was nominated as Chairperson by Trustee Thorson/seconded by Trustee Handran - Unanimous
 - Trustee Larsen was nominated as Vice Chair by Trustee Wilondek/seconded by Trustee Johnson Unanimous
 - Staci Rothamer was nominated as Clerk/Secretary by Trustee Larsen/seconded by Trustee Wilondek – Unanimous
- Mid-year retreat date was discussed and tentatively scheduled for July 21st at 1:00 pm; no objections

Chairman Knudson called for public comment.

Jacque Schultz commented on the challenges with the budget and that the number of staff seems high; as a community member states that the college seems lean on faculty. She also stated that academic enrollments should be as high as athletic enrollments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.