At the July 15, 2014 Organizational Meeting of the District Board of Trustees, members voted unanimously for Mr. Timothy Morris as Chairman and Mr. Richard Bowersox as Vice Chairman for the 2014-15 year. The Board chose to have its meetings on the third Tuesday of the month in 2014-2015. There are no regular meetings in August and December. In order to efficiently work around Spring Break, the March 2015 meeting will be on the 24th. The October and February meetings will be at the Sumter Campus, and the November and April meetings will be at South Lake.

Former Board member and Chairman Mrs. Margo Odom was heartily welcomed before the Regular Meeting in July. As is customary, she was given gifts of gratitude from the Board to celebrate her nine years of service to the College in this capacity.

The Board approved the appointments of Tanya Harris-Rocker as Instructor in Education/Student Development, Peter Olen as Instructor in Philosophy, Heather Torres as Instructor in Early Childhood Education, and Gisela Salas as Instructor in Organizational Management (all effective 8-18-14); and accepted the resignations of Janna Wickham (effective 7-1-14), Holly Larson (effective 8-8-14), and Tammy Spencer (effective 7-11-14).

Dr. Mojock reviewed topics of interest:

- Ms. Beth Skipper told of the success of the recently implemented Summer RISE Math Academy attended on the Leesburg Campus by High School students from Sumter County. The Board asked questions about how these students learned about the Academy. Cooperation with the Sumter County Schools implemented advertising the program.

- The Annual Evaluation of the 2013-14 Annual Plan was presented by Dr. Mojock and the three Vice Presidents as follows:
  - Dr. Howard reported on the good performances in the academic area:
    - Enrollment projections for the first three years of the Bachelor of Applied Science degree program in Organizational Management were 30 – 60 – 90 students. Actual numbers were 37 and 66, with the third year remaining to be seen.
    - The first and second graduation of students from the BASOM program will be in December 2014 and May 2015.
    - Potential new baccalaureate programs are nursing, environmental science and clinical informatics.
    - The Sumter Workforce Partnership has delivered 9-1-1 training, phlebotomy classes, and online courses in public health. In the planning stages now is a Relay and Substation Technician program.
  - Mr. Scott reviewed highlights of the Business Affairs area:
    - The Degree Works software program had been successfully implemented.
    - A balanced budget was obtained through savings on expenses.
Financial Aid implemented several programs to reduce loan debt and to notify students of their awards earlier than in the past.

Successful searches for Human Resources and Business Services employees resulted in hiring two key persons who are doing exceptional work for the College.

All athletic teams achieved a 3.0 or better GPA and numerous athletes were recognized on and off the field/court. A member of the Baseball Team was recognized as the outstanding scholar-athlete for the State. The Softball Team went to the State Tournament for the first time in many years.

○ Dr. Searle stated some of her area’s accomplishments:
  - The Advising staff of nine logged over 17,000 one-on-one student contacts during the year.
  - Forty-four Dual Enrollment students completed their AA degrees while in high school.
  - Several staff members were awarded State and National honors.
  - Two graduation ceremonies were successfully completed on May 3.

○ Dr. Mojock cited several good things happening in his area:
  - Thirty-six percent of graduates received at least one scholarship from the Foundation while attending LSSC.
  - The Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (PIE) office writes grants for the College and collaborates with other agencies in writing grants to be used by both parties.
  - Through the Equity Office, the College sponsors many activities such as the Sunrise ARC Art Show, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade, Women’s History Month Celebration, Literary Contest for middle and high school students with over 3,000 participants this year.
  - A Service Excellence component has been added to the evaluation of Faculty.
  - The end of the year fiscal status shows a surplus of funds which will help LSSC with maintenance and equipment needs.

Dr. Mary Ann Searle and Ms. Sasha Tomlinson reported on their plans for recruiting and registering more students in future terms. Some of the ideas include visiting more often the public and private schools in the area, being more pro-active in the community, and launching a marketing campaign picturing current students and graduates and using the slogan “start today, soar tomorrow.”

The Board approved the following:

✓ Re-Certification of Lake-Sumter State College Foundation, Inc. as a direct support organization of the College for the period August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015.

✓ 2014-2015 Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreements with Lake County Schools, Sumter County Schools, Home Education Programs, Non-Public Schools, and The Villages Early College.
✓ Memorandum of Understanding with The Villages Charter School, Inc.
✓ Adoption of Official Summary of 2013-2014 Evaluation of the President.
✓ Deferred Maintenance List
✓ 2014-2015 Blanket and Annual Purchase Orders over $10,000.
✓ Monthly Fiscal Report for June 2014 stating that revenues and expenses are in good order.
✓ Facilities Update
✓ Purchases Over $25,000

The Board will meet in workshop mode on August 5, 2014 at the Mission Inn. On September 16, 2014 at 5:00 p.m., the Board will have its regular monthly meeting in the Board Room at Leesburg.