

**DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LAKE-SUMTER STATE COLLEGE
LEESBURG
March 29, 2023**

PRESENT: Mr. Bret Jones, Board Chair, Ms. Jennifer Hooten, Vice Chair, Dr. Heather Bigard, President, Board Members: Mr. Bryn Blaise, Ms. Ivy Parks, Mr. Tim Morris, Mr. Pete Wahl, and Board Attorney Ms. Anita Geraci-Carver.

ABSENT: Ms. Emily Lee, Mr. David Hidalgo, Board Members.

CALL-TO-ORDER:

The regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees, Lake-Sumter State College, was called to order by Chairman Bret Jones at 5:05 p.m. on March 29, 2023, at the Leesburg Campus. Mr. Jones welcomed those in attendance and invited them to join in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment cards were submitted for the meeting.

CONSENT CONSIDERATIONS – Part A:

MOTION to approve, Mr. Tim Morris, SECOND, Mr. Pete Wahl, motion passed.

CONSENT CONSIDERATIONS – Part B:

MOTION to approve, Mr. Pete Wahl, SECOND, Ms. Jennifer Hooten, motion passed. Due to a voting item conflict, Mr. Tim Morris did not participate in this motion.

SCHEDULED INFORMATION REPORTS:

President Bigard presented her report.

- Thanked the LSSC 60th anniversary committee for their hard work in developing and creating the museum for the Board members to tour.
- Thanked the Board for attending meetings in Tallahassee with local legislatives.
- Provided updates on the Senate and House budget, which included the budget for the Workforce Development Center.
- Currently tracking all appropriate bills presented in the Senate, and specifically regarding SB 244, K-12 Education.

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- Provided updates of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) conference in Chicago, with Vice President Karen Hogans and Dr. Amy Albee also in attendance, to learn about the accreditation process and next steps with HLC. Mr. Pete Wahl asked for a side-by-side comparison of the pros and cons for HLC and SACSCOC accrediting bodies.
- Detailed the success of the three mission, vision, and values workshops across the College with the goal of presenting a mission, vision, and values to the Board along with the College strategic plan.
- Discussed the opportunity for a waster water program at the College with local municipalities and businesses interested in partnering.

Mr. Bret Jones presented the report for the Executive Committee Meeting.

Mr. Bryn Blaise presented the report for the Facilities Committee Meeting.

Mr. Tim Morris presented the report for the Finance and Private-Public Partnership Committee Meeting.

Ms. Jennifer Hooten presented the report for the Student Engagement Committee Meeting.

The Board Attorney report was presented by Ms. Anita Geraci-Carver.

NEW BUSINESS:

0323-16 – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2021-2022

Ms. Kristie Harris provided updates on the Audited Financial Statements for 2022-2023 for information. This item was for discussion purposes only.

0323-17 – PERSONNEL CALENDAR 2023-2024

President Bigard recommends the approval of 23 paid holidays when the College is closed and the approval of a Four-Day Summer Work Week Schedule.

MOTION to approve the Personnel Calendar for 2023-2024 with 23 paid holidays and a four day summer work schedule, Mr. Tim Morris, SECOND, Mr. Jennifer Hooten, motion passed.

0323-18 – DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS 3, 6, AND 13

President Bigard recommends to begin demolition and removal of building 3, 6, and 13 included in the Space Optimization Proposal from October 2019 shared with the Board Facilities Committee.

MOTION to approve the beginning demolition and removal of building 3, 6, and 13, Ms. Ivy Parks, SECOND, Mr. Pete Wahl, motion passed.

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0323-19 – LAKE TECHNICAL COLLEGE EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT 2022-2024

President Bigard recommends to extend the lease agreement with Lake Technical College at the South Lake Campus for 2022-2024.

MOTION to approve the extension of the lease agreement with Lake Technical College at the South Lake Campus for 2022-2024, Mr. Tim Morris, SECOND, Mr. Pete Wahl, motion passed.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2023 at the South Lake Campus.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mr. Bret Jones, Board Chair

Dr. Heather Bigard, Secretary/College President

Recording Secretary: Kailyn Wurm