

MINUTES
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 12, 2024
5:09 pm, Regular Meeting
FGC Administration Building, Board Room

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees was called to order September 12, 2024 at 5:09 p.m. by Chairperson Lindsey Lander.

Trustees Chuck Brannan, Suzanne Norris and David Crawford were absent.

All votes were unanimous unless stated otherwise.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Miguel Tepedino led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Audience of Any Citizen

There was no response.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the August 8, 2024 Board meeting minutes. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Student Government Report

Ms. Zamaria Granado, SGA President updated Board members on recent events. SGA hosted Welcome Back Week, Student/Employee Picnic, Club Rush Disney/Pixar Trivia Day and held a Paint Pouring project. Later in September Constitution Day, Trivia Day, Snow Cone Day and a Fall Sidewalk Festival will be held.

VI. Presentation of Consent Agenda

- A. *Personnel Matters
- B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
- C. *Surplus Property
- D. *Authorized List for Deferment Approval

Dr. Miguel Tepedino made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items "A" through "D". Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VII. Academic Affairs

Dr. Kathleen Ciez-Volz, Vice President of Academic Affairs started her report by updating Trustees on the College's 2024 baccalaureate program review. The College received a letter from the Chancellor of the Division of Florida Colleges indicating no programs of concern and advised no further actions.

Dr. Ciez-Volz continued her report by saying our study abroad program in London during the Summer 2024 semester was a success. Two faculty members and eight students attended. Two of these students received the Gilman scholarship through the Department of State.

Vice President Ciez-Volz gave updates in several of her areas. The EMS Program recently received recertification from the Department of Health and the Law Enforcement and Corrections Programs received recertification from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. The Nursing Program has been working on revising the admission system for the Associate in Science Degree in Nursing, in hopes to create a more equitable model. In the Teacher Preparation Program, they have thirteen elementary education students teaching in a K-6 classroom for their final senior internship.

Lastly, the e-Learning team will soon launch a four-part professional development series titled "Exploring AI" during which participants will engage in hands-on strategies for teaching and learning with AI.

VIII. Student Affairs and Public Information

Mr. Anthony Cardenas, Vice President of Student Affairs and Public Information started his report by introducing Mr. Rick Hufty, FGC Women's Flag Football coach. Mr. Huffy introduced each member of the 2024-25 Women's Flag Football team and congratulated them on their National Championship win and their hard work this year. Mr. Hufty thanked Board members for their continued support.

Vice President Cardenas gave updates in his area. The Welcome Back Community Picnic welcomed over 300 students, faculty and staff. SGA had 18 senators to join during Welcome Back Week. Our Women's Golf and Men's and Women's Cross-Country seasons have started. Our FGC student athletes make up 3% of our total student headcount, represent 6 states and comprise 2% of total credit hours taken at the College.

Lastly, we have hired Angela Glantz, a current FGC employee as the academic advisor for transfer and career services.

IX. Enrollment and Marketing

Dr. Barrett gave the Enrollment and Marketing report in Ms. Kacey Mimbs absence. Fall enrollment has continued to maintain an increase over last Fall. We are at 2,995 in student headcount compared to 2,883 last Fall and 28,457 credit hours compared to 26,440 last Fall.

X. Business Services

Ms. Michelle Holloway, Vice-President of Business Services requested Board consideration of the following items:

- A. General Information
- B. * Budget Amendment Number Two (2) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025

C. * Budget Amendment Number Two (2) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal year 2024-2025

Ms. Renae Allen made a motion to approve Budget Amendment Number Two (2) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and Budget Amendment Number Two (2) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected plant fund (Fund 7) Budget Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

D. * Carryforward Spending Plan

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the Carryforward Spending Plan. Dr. Miguel Tepedino seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. President's Report

Dr. Barrett began his report referencing a letter that he received from United Way thanking the college for our ongoing support. The college had significant damage from the recent storms, the Facilities department are working on the repairs and the college has filed an insurance claim.

He Continued his report by congratulating our Bass Fishing Team that placed 4th in the nation just three weeks ago against teams like Auburn, and Purdue. That's three years in a row that we have been in the top 5 in the nation.

Lastly, we are looking at options to expand student housing with the growing increase in this area. Dr. Barrett advised that he will be bringing a business plan for the Board's review in the future.

XIII. Topics for Future Meetings

XIV. Inspect Warrant Register


XV. Set Time for the Next Meeting

October 10, 2024

5:00 pm Regular Meeting

Location Regular meeting: Florida Gateway College Board Room
Administration Bldg. 1

The meeting adjourned at 5:39 pm


Mr. Lindsey Lander, Chair


Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary