

## **MINUTES**

### **WEST VIRGINIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE EDUCATION**

**December 7, 2017**

A meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education was held on December 7, 2017, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Advanced Technology Center, South Central West Virginia, located in South Charleston, West Virginia. Council members present were: Bill Baker, Kenneth Boggs, Robert Brown, Tracy Miller, Charles Parker, Steve Roberts, John Sorrenti, and Harry Keith White. Council members absent were: Christina Cameron, Kathy D'Antoni, Mike Ferrell, Clarence Pennington, and Woody Thrasher. Also in attendance were Council staff, community and technical college presidents, faculty, staff, students, and guests.

#### **Call to Order**

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and noted that a quorum was present.

#### **1. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Parker moved the adoption of minutes from the October 12, 2017, October 23, 2017, and October 30, 2017, meetings of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **2. Advisory Council of Students Annual Presentation**

Julia Fournier, Advisory Council of Students Vice Chairman, provided an overview of the Advisory Council. Ms. Fournier highlighted goals of the Council to improve particular areas in today's changing education. These goals include:

- Technology
- Recruitment
- Retention
- Student Life

#### **3. Advisory Council of Classified Employees Annual Presentation**

Amy Pitzer, Advisory Council of Classified Employees (ACCE) Chairman, provided an overview of the Advisory Council and highlighted issues and concerns that include:

- Public Employee Insurance Agency (PEIA) Coverage

- Rising premiums and deductibles
- Decreasing medical and prescription coverage
- Proposed Series 55, *Human Resources Administration*
  - ACCE feels it wasn't given adequate time to review changes in the personnel policy prior to submission to the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education for 30-day public comment period. Ms. Pitzer stated that comments from the ACCE will be provided during the public comment period. Chairman Brown stated those comments would be carefully considered before the rule is moved forward to the Legislative Oversight Committee on Education Accountability for consideration.
- Unified Agenda
  - There is a consensus among employees on the the ACCE (which includes both four- and two-year employees) that there should be a unified agenda going into the upcoming legislative session.

## **Finance and Facilities**

### **4. Fiscal Year 2017 Consolidated Audit Presentation**

Mr. Roberts moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education accepts the audit of the Council's Combined Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2017.

Mr. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **5. Revisions to Legislative Rule, Series 12, *Capital Project Management*, for 30-Day Public Comment Period**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, The West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the proposed revisions to Legislative Rule, Series 12, Capital Project Management, for submission to the Secretary of State for a thirty-day public comment.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff is instructed to file the Legislative Rule with the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability for approval and further legislative action if no substantive comments are received.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **6. Capital Project Priorities Fiscal Year 2019**

Mr. Roberts moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the prioritized capital project list in for Fiscal Year 2019 and directs staff to report the capital project priorities to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability in January 2018, as required by state law.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **General**

## **7. Approval of New Legislative Rule, Series 55, *Human Resources Administration*, for 30-Day Public Comment Period**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves Series 55, Legislative Rule, Human Resources Administration, to be filed with the Secretary of State for a thirty-day public comment period.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff is instructed to forward the legislative rule to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability for approval and further legislative action at the conclusion of the comment period if no substantive comments are received.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **Information Items**

## **8. Tech Hire Grant Update from BridgeValley Community and Technical College**

Carol Perry, Program Director for BridgeValley Community and Technical College's Tech Hire grant program, provided the Council with an update on the grant's progress, specifically, with workforce development.

## **9. Academic Readiness Report**

Chris Treadway, Senior Director of Research and Policy, detailed for the Council the results of this year's Academic Readiness Report. The report focuses specifically, on student preparation and college success indicators concerning the critical transition period from high school to college. It provides information for the 2016 cohort of West Virginia freshmen at each postsecondary institution. The report also details the percent of students meeting the ACT college readiness

benchmarks, and the average composite ACT score, and percent of students requiring developmental education in different subjects from each West Virginia county and high school.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Parker moved that the Council go into Executive Session in accordance with West Virginia Code §6-9A-4 to discuss a presidential contract and compensation at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College and possible litigation.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Following Executive Session, the Council reconvened in open session and the following action was taken:

#### **10. Presidential Contract and Compensation at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College**

Mr. Sorrenti moved that the proposed presidential contract be rejected as presented and that the Chancellor be given authority to collaborate with the representative from SWVCTC to review and revise the contract in accordance with discussion held in Executive Session and bring the revised contract back to the Council for consideration.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Other Comments**

Councilman Sorrenti requested that a letter signed by Chancellor Tucker and Chairman Brown be sent to West Virginia State Superintendent of Schools Steve Paine, declaring support for his “Gold Collar Jobs” project which challenges the state’s educators to achieve an equal balance between college preparation courses and career and technical courses “as half of the jobs needed in the future will require technical training and not advanced college degrees”.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Location: Advanced Technology Center, South Central West Virginia  
South Charleston, WV  
Date: January 25, 2018  
Time: 9:30 a.m.

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Robert Brown, Chairman

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William Baker, Secretary