

MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE EDUCATION

January 26, 2017

A conference call meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education was held on January 26, 2017, beginning at 9:30 a.m. originating from the Central Office of the WV Council for Community and Technical College Education in Charleston, West Virginia. Council members present were: Bill Baker, Bruce Berry, Bob Brown, Christina Cameron, Clarence Pennington, Steve Roberts, John Sorrenti, and Woody Thrasher. Council member absent was: Kathy D'Antoni. Also in attendance were Chancellor Sarah Tucker, Council staff, community and technical college presidents, faculty, staff, students and guests.

Call to Order

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

1. Oath of Office for Councilman Thrasher

Woody Thrasher, newly appointed Cabinet Secretary for the West Virginia Department of Commerce, was sworn in as a new Council member. Mr. Thrasher serves on the Council by virtue of his position at the West Virginia Development Office.

2. Introduction of Dr. Casey Sacks, Vice Chancellor for Community and Technical College Education

Chairman Pennington introduced the new Vice Chancellor for Community and Technical College Education, Dr. Casey Sacks, who has an extensive background in higher education. Her most recent position was Assistant Provost at the Colorado Community College System. Dr. Sacks holds a doctorate in higher education administration and a master's in clinical psychology.

3. Advisory Council of Faculty Briefing

Mark Goldstein, Advisory Council of Faculty Chairman, provided information to the Council on the Advisory of Council Faculty's (ACF) goals going forward under the new administration of Governor James Justice. He stated the ACF will fully support both the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education and the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. He thanked Chancellor Tucker for her on-going support of the ACF.

4. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Roberts moved the adoption of minutes from the December 8, 2016, meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education.

Ms. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Academic Affairs

5. Program Review for Mountwest Community and Technical College

Mr. Baker moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education accepts the program review actions of the institutional governing board.

Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NOTE:

The agenda item include a summary table that provided total number of graduates for the last five years. The numbers provided were actually five year averages. Please note the original and corrected numbers below.

Total Number of Graduates Last Five Years

<u>Program</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Revised</u>
AAS Information Technology	24	120
AA General Studies	6	28

The revised numbers support the viability of the two programs. I apologize for the reporting error.

General

6. Technical Program Development Grant Award

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Technical Program Development grant award as proposed.

Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Information

7. West Virginia Business College Accreditation and Financial Issues

Corley Dennison, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, provided a detailed report to the Council on the denial of renewal of accreditation by West Virginia Business

College's accreditation body and the consequent appeal by the institution. Further, Dr. Dennison also informed the Council that the two-year reauthorization committee, made up of members of the Academic Affairs Division of the Community and Technical College System and the Higher Education Policy Commission, are unwilling to recommend continued authorization to confer degrees in West Virginia. Staff recommended a comprehensive site visit to the institution necessary for the formation of a recommendation to the Council regarding authorization to confer degrees in West Virginia in accordance with Series 35, *Correspondence, Business, Occupational and Trade Schools*.

Mr. Brown moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education, directs the Chancellor to assign staff to conduct a comprehensive site visit to WV Business College and report back to the Council on their findings.

Mr. Sorrenti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

Location: Charleston, WV
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017
Time: 9:30 a.m.

Clarence Pennington, Chairman

William Baker, Secretary