

Columbia-Greene Community College

Board of Trustees

MINUTES

February 27, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College Board of Trustees was held on February 27, 2017.

ROLL CALL:

Dr. Ned Schneier, Chairman
Mr. William Haltermann, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Peter O'Hara, Secretary
Mr. Phil Abitabile
Mr. Bruce Bohnsack
Ms. Rosemary Lewis
Mr. Martin Smith
Mr. Ken Wilber

Mr. Mercury Mason, Student Trustee

Mr. James Champion, President;
Ms. Carol Novack, Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees;
Ms. Dianne Topple, Acting Dean of Administration; Ms. Carol Doerfer, Assistant Academic Dean;
Mr. Michael Phippen, Professor of Transitional Studies; and Mr. Allen Kovler, Director of Public Relations.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Ned Schneier opened the Board Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for community leader and friend of the College Lady Yona Jenette Padmore Grant.

AGENDA:

The Agenda for the February 27, 2017 meeting was presented. Mr. Peter O'Hara moved and Mr. Bruce Bohnsack seconded to approve the Agenda as printed. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the January 23, 2017 meeting were presented. Mr. Bruce Bohnsack moved and Mr. Peter O'Hara seconded to approve the Minutes as printed. Mr. William Haltermann, Mr. Phil Abitabile and Mr. Ken Wilber abstained. Voice vote carried.

BILLS & WARRANTS:

Mr. William Haltermann moved and Ms. Rosemary Lewis seconded to approve Operating Warrant #01-17 totaling \$1,356,718.63. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Assistant Academic Dean Carol Doerfer reported the 21st Annual Juried Art Show for high school students had an opening reception on January 26th. This show is a great opportunity for high school art students in our area to showcase their works and compete for prize money. Student works are chosen by the art department heads from each of the high schools. Fourteen public and private high schools were invited to participate. Foundation Gallery Director Yura Adams organized the show and awarded the prizes. Winners are chosen by an

independent juror each year. This year's juror was Carrie Feder who is well-known locally for her curator work at the Thomas Cole House and the Athens Cultural Center.

February 1, Academic Dean Phyllis Carito gave a presentation to the Adult Learning Institute regarding her newly published novel "Worn Masks." She discussed the writing process with the group.

February 3, Director of Institutional Effectiveness Casey O'Brien attended a SUNY System Institutional Research Advisor meeting.

February 13-16, Associate Professor of Communication/English Maya Greene attended a Myers & Briggs Certification Workshop.

Forty-eight students in twenty-five classes are working with their professors on honors projects for the spring semester.

Monday, March 6 students can begin making their advising appointments for summer and fall semesters. Advising appointments begin after spring break week, March 20.

President Campion reported that as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration, the faculty are sponsoring a Colloquium on March 30 at 7:00 in the Arts Center Theater. President Campion is working with Gregg Berninger, Bob Bodratti, GERALYNN Demarest and

Ted Hilscher on this event. The theme is to invite and recognize all local historians in both counties. All Library Directors in both counties will be on the guest list as well.

President Campion reported that Fulton-Montgomery is funding a video marketing piece that will feature capital district community colleges. In addition to Columbia-Greene, Fulton-Montgomery, Schenectady, Adirondack and Hudson Valley make up the capital district community colleges that will be featured in the video.

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT
DONATION TO FOOD PANTRY:**

Resolution #0217-2043 to accept a donation to the food pantry was presented. Mr. Phil Abitabile moved and Mr. Ken Wilber seconded to approve the following resolution as printed. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College must approve acceptance of all gifts, and

WHEREAS, \$50 has been donated to the Food Pantry from Richard M. Koweek in memory of Henry “Bud” Bender

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College approves the acceptance of a \$50 donation to the food pantry.

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND
UNCLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL
TITLE:**

Resolution #0217-2044 to amend an unclassified title was presented. Mr. William Haltermann moved and Ms. Rosemary Lewis seconded. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 35 of the Civil Service Law, the Board of Trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College is required to determine the positions which should be included under professional service as defined in Section 6306 of Education Law, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College is required to amend job titles approve in professional service when necessary

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Amendment to Section 35G and 351 of the Civil Service law in relation to the unclassified positions in the community college, the following title amendment should made to the previously approved list of unclassified (professional) positions of Columbia-Greene Community College.

Additions:

Director of Applied Learning and Job Development

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID
238 FOR THE 2017-2018
COLLEGE NEWSLETTER:**

Resolution #0217-2045 to approve the resolution to award Bid 238 for the 2017-2018 college newsletter was presented. Mr. Ken Wilber moved and Mr. Peter O'Hara seconded to approve the following resolution as printed. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, bid specifications were written by the Director of Public Relations to produce a 2017-2018 college newsletter, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees empowers the Purchasing Officer to seek bidders to print the 2017-2018 Columbia-Greene Community College Newsletter, and

WHEREAS, the lowest bidder, per specifications, was Eagle Printing/New England Newspaper, Inc. totaling \$17,182 and presented on February 15, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby awards the 2017-2018 College Newsletter bid to Eagle Printing/New England Newspaper, Inc., for \$17,182.

TRUSTEE REPORT:

Student Trustee Mercury Mason reported that last week the Student Senate held their first Council meeting of student clubs. They are hoping these meetings will be used as a tool to help budget appropriately for club projects

Chairman Ned Schneier, Bruce Bohnsack and Mercury Mason will be attending SUNY Advocacy Day on March 1st to lobby to try to restore state aid for community colleges.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Ken Wilber moved and Mr. Bruce Bohnsack seconded to convene to Executive Session to discuss the medical, financial credit or employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

Mr. William Haltermann moved and Ms. Rosemary Lewis seconded to reconvene the meeting. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

FUTURE MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on March 20, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, Mr. Ken Wilber moved and Mr. Bruce Bohnsack seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote – motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY