

# Columbia-Greene Community College

## Summary of Action Taken and Reports Given

### Board of Trustees Meeting

**March 20, 2017**

*Chairman Ned Schneier opened the Board Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for friend of the College and community leader James Van Deusen, Student Veteran Louis Ferraro; and Greene County Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Haverly.*

#### **I. ACTION**

The Board of Trustees acted on the following items:

1. APPROVED Operating Warrant #02-17 totaling \$1,443,610.77.
2. APPROVED Capital Warrant #1 to C-GCC totaling \$120,000.
3. APPROVED Resolution #0317-2046 to amend the College Policy Manual.
4. APPROVED Resolution #0317-2047 to Amend the 2016-2017 Operating Budget to Reconcile with the Six-Month Report.
5. APPROVED the following tenure and promotions (effective September 1, 2017) based upon the recommendation of the President and the Board of Trustees Personnel Committee:

#### **TENURE**

Leslie Rousseau, Advising Counselor, Counseling Office

#### **PROMOTION**

##### To Professor

Anna Cortese, Nursing, Nursing Division

##### To Associate Professor

Steven Gavlik, Biology, Math/Science Division

To Assistant Professor

Leslie Rousseau, Advising Counselor, Counseling Division

## **II. REPORTS**

### *President's Report:*

Vice President Phyllis Carito reported that on March 20, academic advisors begin to work with students to register for summer and fall courses. Returning students have been making their advising appointments since March 6. The Counseling Office reports that appointments are filling up.

March 1 – 30 at the Blue Hill Gallery paintings from aerial photographs of the earth by Joy Wolf are on display. Wolf is also a sociology adjunct for the College.

March 2, Associate Professor Dawn-Marie Blasl, Director of CIHA, was awarded \$500 from Stewart's Shops to help fund a College Excellence Program for our College-in-the-High School Students. "Celebration of Excellence" will be our first annual event for College-in-the-High School Students recognized for their academic achievements (more information will follow.)

March 5, the College hosted the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Toy Train Show with a wonderful turnout of 500 attendees and 48 vendors.

March 7<sup>th</sup> the Library held a Book Fair outside the Student Dining Hall with sales/book donations to benefit the C-GCC Children's Library Collection. Activity during the day brought in over \$700 in sales. A bookplate was placed in all donated

books commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

March 8<sup>th</sup> two faculty, Assistant Professor Nicole Childrose and Associate Professor Wanda Drazan attended the Open SUNY COTE Summit. The SUNY Center for Online Teaching is located in Syracuse, NY. At the gathering Childrose was recognized as the Online Teaching Ambassador at C-GCC for 2017.

March 16-18, Associate Professor of Psychology Barbara Shaffer attended the Eastern Psychological Association Conference in Boston, MA with thirteen of our students who are studying Research Methods for Behavioral Sciences. The students' research was presented to the EPA for peer-review and accepted for presentation at the conference.

March 23, Assistant Professor of History Nicole Childrose will be presenting at the Hudson Library at 6 p.m. as part of their Local History Speaker Series. The presentation is on Suffragettes: 100 years, 10 stories from Hudson.

Dean Carito invited the Board to attend the local Historians gathering on March 30 at C-GCC as part of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for a colloquium titled: A History Colloquium: Preserving Our Heritage, shaping Our Future." C-GCC Faculty and the College Library will sponsor the event. The Colloquium is designed to recognize the work of municipal historians in our surrounding communities. A reception will be held at 6:15 for the historians and guests, and the

discussion panel presentation will held at 7:00 in the Arts Center Theater.

Vice President Watson reported that March 20 is the first day to register for Summer and Fall 2017 classes. Applications continue to be processed for Summer and Fall 2017 as well.

Recruitment and outreach efforts continue.

Dean Watson announced that Wanda Gerber is now the Technical Assistant for Admissions.

The Admissions Office will be hosting a College Open House on March 25 from 10-12. We have several new marketing items we will unveil including a financial aid information card.

The Office of Accessibility Services under the leadership of Catherine Carlson hosted another "It's All in the Planning Workshop" last week to give students, teachers, counselors and parents a chance to see what college would be like verses high school.

The College is participating in Mascot Madness again this year. Thanks to everyone who voted or help promote Rip.

Dean Watson announced that Mercury Mason and Mariah Szlachetka were awarded the Phi Theta Kappa Academic All-Americans award and the Chancellor Award for Student Excellence.

The Women's Basketball Mountain Valley Conference Player of the Year and 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Region III was Tanisha Edge.

In Men's Basketball, Ty Rodriquez and Chris Kidd were named Mountain Valley All-Conference Player of the week.

Chris Kidd had a special interest story in the Register Star.

The Men's Baseball Team just returned from the trip down south.

The Day Care Student Art Show reception will be held on March 27, 2017 in the Student Court.

Director of Public Relations Allen Kovler informed the Board that an article appeared in the Register Star highlighting C-GCC being ranked #1 in completion rate among other state community colleges.

The first of four articles was printed in the Register Star interviewing President Champion and Athletic Director Richardo Lindo. The article is centered on looking back at the Athletic Program in honor of the College's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Director of Public Relations Allen Kovler shared a new mailing post card "Two Paths to a Four-Year Degree."

Mr. Kovler said the next mailing will be on the Student Opinion Survey.

Joan Koweek reported that the College Golf Tournament will be held on June 9, 2017 returning to Windham Country Club which was

the original location of the first College Golf Tournament.

*Trustee Report:*

Chairman Ned Schneier and C-GCC students attended the NYCCT SUNY Advocacy Day in Albany and met with Assemblywoman Didi Barrett, Assemblyman Peter Lopez and Senator Kathleen Marchionne. They also met with the Internship Committee at this meeting.

Student Trustee Mercury Mason was part of the College Baseball Team that took a trip during spring break to Myrtle Beach to play other College Baseball Teams. Some teams were from other states as well.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, April 17, 2017.

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