## Columbia-Greene Community College

Summary of Action Taken and Reports Given

**Board of Trustees Meeting** 

## June 19, 2017

Secretary Peter O'Hara opened the Board Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for former student Brett Cappelli.

## I. ACTION

The Board of Trustees acted on the following items:

- 1. APPROVED Operating Warrant #05-17 in the amount of \$1,324,167.67
- 2. APPROVED Resolution #0617-2048 designating Trustee Emeritus status to Martin Smith.
- 3. APPROVED Resolution #0617-2049 designating Dean Emeritus status to A. Joseph Matties.
- 4. APPROVED Resolution #0617-2050 to approve the 2017-2018 proposed Operating Budget of the College.
- 5. APPROVED Resolution #0617-2051 to approve the 2017-2018 Tuition and Fee Schedule.
- 6. APPROVED Resolution #0617-2052 to amend the 2016-2017 Operating Budget to Reconcile with the Nine-Month Report.
- 7. APPROVED the election of Board Officers for 2017-2018 as follows:

Ned Schneier, Chairperson William Haltermann, Vice Chairperson Peter O'Hara, Secretary

## II. REPORTS

*President's Report:* 

The Math/Science division has hired Assistant Professor Jared Wagner to teach biological sciences beginning fall 2017. His focus will be on

forensic science. This is a replacement position for the retired Professor, Sue Powell, who left in December 2016. Wagner has been an adjunct for us, and has a broad teaching background for biological sciences, so he can also teach Human Biology and A & P courses.

Once graduation was done, a few faculty went on to teach summer courses, and some are attending workshops and conferences in their disciplines. This professional development is important for our faculty to maintain their expertise, and expand their knowledge to share with students.

On May 17-21 Associate Professor Susan Roberts attended the TACTYC Conference – Teaching Accounting for Two-Year College.

June 7 Professor Joseph Scampoli attended the NYS Cyber Security Conference in Albany NY.

On June 1, Advisor/Counselor, Assistant Professor Leslie Rousseau attended the Capital Region Career Consortium at Russell Sage College.

On June 16, Associate Professor Marcia Fitzgerald attended the Power Breakfast held by the Albany Business Review.

Meanwhile, back on campus, a mini symposium was held on campus on June 15, with students from the Summer I River Ecology class, facilitated by Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences Rebecca Pinder. In their independent research projects students shared their investigation on zooplankton, fish, stream insects, the hemlock wooly

adelgid, spiders, and streamside salamanders found along multiple rivers and streams throughout Columbia and Greene Counties. Students displayed and discussed their projects with campus visitors.

Summer II 2017 class offerings include seven sections being offered at three different high school locations, which as of today have 84 students enrolled. Summer II classes will begin July 10.

Vice President Joseph Watson reported that Summer applications are up 1% accepts are up 3% at this point..

Applications for the Fall semester are down 6% and acceptances are down 23% at this point. Admissions staff members and others are personally calling students and robo calls are being used as well.

The Veteran's Club and Mascot Rip represented C-GCC at the Flag Day Parade. Thanks to Kevin Kropp, Rachel Kappel and Burton Andrews.

Marc Miller and Wanda Gerber answered questions about the College at Mountain Jam.

The College, in cooperation with Cornell Cooperative Extension, sponsored Ag Day on campus. Over three hundred people enjoyed the day. The day included Animals, FFA, 4H, farmers and other vendors.

Summer high school basketball league is in session with the women here in our gym. New members include Pine Plains and two Saugerties teams. The men's teams will be starting shortly.

Summer Sports Camps begin in July, new this year grouped by age so campers get more out of their experience.

Catherine Carlson has been elected President-Elect of the New York State Disability Services Council.

Diane Johnson was named 2-year College Liaison, representing the Community colleges for SUNY Career Development Organization.

Chairperson of the C-GCC Day Care Board of Directors Carol Novack reported that SUNY has increased our Operating Grant from \$36,000 to \$39,000. The Day Care just received a \$500 grant from Walmart.

*Trustee Report:* 

The Board expressed their appreciation to Student Trustee Mercury Mason for his service to the Board. Mercury said it was a remarkable experience for him and he will be transferring to University at Albany.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, August 21, 2017.

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