

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the board of trustees of Edison State Community College, State of Ohio, held at 1973 Edison Drive, Piqua, OH 45356 and via Zoom online video conference, September 22, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Tami Baird Ganley called the September meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 2:01 PM.

ROLL CALL: Present: Tamara Baird Ganley, Philip E. Dubbs, Douglas L. Fortkamp, Elizabeth S. Gutmann, Gary V. Heitmeyer, Thomas P. Milligan and James C. Oda

Absent: Tyeis L. Baker-Baumann, Darryl D. Mehaffie

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Trustee Heitmeyer led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS: Chad A. Beanblossom, Dr. Amanda L. Bylczyński, Jessica A. Chambers, Macy E. Guillozet, Dr. Richard A. Hanes, Harold K. Hitchcock, James E. Lehmkuhl, Bruce W. McKenzie, Kara A. Myers, Andrew Runyan, Christopher D. Spradlin, Ethan R. Tauscher, all ESCC administrators; Jessica Hill, Julie Slattery, ESCC employees; William Loudermilk, ESCC Faculty Member; Dr. Doreen M. Larson, President; Heather M. Lanham, Secretary to the Board; August Evans, Rebekah Evans, Leigh Ann Lochtefeld, Maeve Wilkins, all ESCC Students

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS: Mr. Chad Beanblossom, Vice President of Enrollment Management & Regional Campus Operations, introduced new employee Ethan Tauscher, Director of Enrollment Management. Mr. Bruce McKenzie, Chief Marketing Officer & Director of Communications, introduced new employee Jessica Hill, Coordinator of Marketing and Communications Planner.

TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES: Vice Chair Oda read the College's mission statement. Chair Baird Ganley asked the trustees to review the commitment of the board.

Chair Baird Ganley asked if any of the items on the consent agenda presented a conflict of interest to any of the trustees. None were noted at this time.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Chair Baird Ganley presented the following consent agenda item for approval:

- A. Approval of June 23, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of August 25, 2021 Board Retreat Minutes
- C. BOARD ACTION FY 2021 092221 – Approval of the 2022 College Credit Plus 100% Tuition Waiver
- D. BOARD ACTION FY 2021 092221 – Approval of the 2022 25+ Fast Track 100% Tuition Waiver

Chair Baird Ganley requested that Item D be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. With no additional corrections, additions, or deletions to the consent agenda, Trustee Dubbs moved, seconded by Trustee Heitmeyer, for approval of the consent agenda, minus the removed item.

On roll call vote with Trustees Dubbs, Heitmeyer, Baird Ganley, Fortkamp, Gutmann, Milligan and Oda voting aye, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
THE 2022 25+
FAST TRACK 100%
TUITION WAIVER:

Provost Chris Spradlin gave an overview of Board Action Item D, Approval of the 2022 25+ Fast Track 100% Tuition Waiver, explaining that the 25+ students, typically referred to as adult students, are very valuable to Edison State, and the College is committed to their success. This waiver is a new endeavor to encourage this group of students to attend Edison State and accelerate enrollment of this age demographic. The waiver is focused on short-term certificates, one year certificates, and accelerated programs.

With no additional corrections, additions, or deletions, Trustee Oda moved, seconded by Trustee Fortkamp, for approval of consent agenda Item D, Approval of the 2022 25+ Fast Track 100% Tuition Waiver.

On roll call vote with Trustees Oda, Fortkamp, Baird Ganley, Dubbs, Gutmann, Heitmeyer and Milligan voting aye, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT:

Dr. Larson updated the Trustees on current initiatives relating to personnel, enrollment, student success, facilities, the Edison State Foundation, workforce and the College's budget.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Harold Hitchcock, Director of the Physical Plant & Facilities, gave a presentation on the third quarter facilities initiatives and ongoing projects.

TRUSTEE
COMMITTEE
REPORTS:

Finance/Audit Committee Report and Treasurer Updates:

Committee Chair, Trustee Milligan, reported:

- Trustee Milligan deferred to CFO Lehmkuhl for the update on the financial statements.

CFO Lehmkuhl reported:

- Mr. Lehmkuhl informed the Trustees that there would be no financial statements this month due to the fact that the auditors are currently on campus conducting the annual audit.

TRUSTEE OPEN
FORUM:

ACCT

- President Larson reported, on behalf of Trustee Mehaffie, that the Edison State team has decided as a group to not attend the Annual ACCT Leadership Congress, which will take place October 13th in San Diego. Due to the ongoing pandemic, there are concerns with travel safety at this time.
- President Larson also informed the Board that Trustee Milligan was the recipient of the ACCT 2021 M. Dale Ensign Trustee Leadership Regional Award. The winner of the Association Award will be announced during the Annual ACCT Leadership Congress.

OACC

- Trustee Dubbs informed the board that the Annual OACC Trustees Conference, which was to have been held in-person this month, has been cancelled. There is no news yet as to whether or not it will be rescheduled virtually.

Celebrations

- Chair Baird Ganley celebrated the fact that the September board meeting was held in the board room again.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to come before the board, Chair Baird Ganley declared the meeting adjourned at 3:13 PM.

“The undersigned hereby certify that this meeting was conducted in compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.”


Chairman


Board Secretary

