



**Minutes of the Community Colleges Committee Meeting
of the Board of Trustees
of the State University of New York
January 13, 2014**

Pursuant to a notice of a meeting duly given on December 31, 2013, the Community Colleges Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York held a meeting on January 13, 2014, at the Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue, Albany, New York.

Committee Members Present:

Trustee Henrik N. Dullea, *Chair*
Trustee Angelo M. Fatta
Trustee Tina Good
Trustee Peter L.K. Knuepfer
Trustee John L. Murad, Jr.
Trustee Tremayne Price
Trustee Carl Spielvogel

Other Trustees Present:

Chairman H. Carl McCall
Trustee Ronald Ehrenberg
Trustee Eunice A. Lewin
Trustee Cary F. Staller

Others Present:

Senior Vice Chancellor Johanna Duncan-Poitier, *Committee Liaison*
President Andrew Matonak (Hudson Valley Community College), President Dustin Swanger (Fulton-Montgomery Community College), President Steve Tyrell (North Country Community College), President Casey Crabill (Onondaga Community College), Aaron White (FMCC graduate/SUNY IT student); Interim Provost Elizabeth Bringsjord, Paula Hayes (System Administration); David Mathis (Association of New York Community College Trustees).

Committee Chairman Dullea convened the Community Colleges Committee meeting at 10:30am.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Committee Chairman Dullea called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 15, 2013, Committee meeting.

- Upon motion of Trustee Spielvogel and second by Trustee Fatta, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the November 15, 2013, Committee Minutes.

Remarks of the Chair

Committee Chairman Dullea introduced the ongoing topics to be discussed throughout the next year, including: serving our military veterans; progress on the statewide implementation of the

workforce development Consortium of Community Colleges and the TAACCCT grant; implementing the recommendations of the Remediation Task Force; exploring the Voluntary Framework for Accountability (VFA); improving our partnerships with the City University of New York (CUNY); advocacy efforts around base-aid and jobs linkage; and the national American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) agenda.

He then invited leaders from the New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT), New York Community College Association of Presidents (NYCCAP), and the Faculty Council of Community Colleges (FCCC) to share updates about their respective associations. David Mathis (NYCCT Chair) shared comments about the upcoming regional and annual meeting (topics to include: importance of shared services, negotiation of president contracts, and efforts to increase historically underrepresented minorities serving in administrative/faculty positions). He also shared about NYCCT's efforts to increase the number of tobacco-free campuses; StartUp NY; advocacy efforts to support a rational tuition plan and base-aid increase; local Board of Trustees vacancies and searches; and hosting Chairman H. Carl McCall on the Mohawk Valley Community College campus.

President Andrew Matonak (NYCCAP) shared comments about the upcoming legislative summit and the Association's efforts to form a legislative delegation meeting; efforts to improve their partnership with CUNY; the NY Job Linkage initiative; the growing synergy of Early College High Schools (ECHS) and Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH) partnerships between colleges, school districts and industry partners; working with AACC on coordinating the VFA on a statewide level; and the close collaboration the colleges have with the State's ten Regional Economic Development Councils.

Trustee Tina Good (FCCC) shared comments about recent campus visits to discuss shared governance and how FCCC's relationship with the University Faculty Senate at both SUNY and CUNY is moving forward. In addition, Trustee Good concurred with comments made to advocate strongly for the continued support of community colleges, and emphasized the importance of SUNY's advocacy for child care funding. She pointed out that this is funding that should have been increased due to its importance to the success of community college students, let alone for SUNY to be in a position of opposing a reduction in funding.

Report of the Senior Vice Chancellor

Senior Vice Chancellor Johanna Duncan-Poitier provided a brief presentation on the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA), which reveals the declining math and science scores of American students as it relates to the work ahead. She also provided the latest enrollment data reported to the US Department of Labor for the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College & Career Training (TAACCCT) grant.

In an effort to keep the Committee abreast of the TAACCCT-related work happening across the statewide consortium of community colleges, the Senior Vice Chancellor invited one of the lead college presidents, Fulton-Montgomery Community College's (FMCC) Dustin Swanger, and a student to share their progress and perspectives on the grant-funded expansion of the college's two-year Electrical Technology AAS Degree program. The FMCC graduate spoke highly of his experience at the community college and how it prepared him and six of his peers who've all transferred to SUNY IT to further their education in nanotechnology. This consortium and the

related TAACCCT funding are enabling the college to develop and implement a new one-year certificate program based on this existing program. The Committee will hear from the presidents and students of other TAACCCT Lead Campuses – Cayuga, Corning, Erie, Hudson Valley, Mohawk Valley, Monroe, Onondaga, Schenectady, and Ulster – at future meetings.

System Administration's Statewide TAACCCT Coordinator Paula Hayes provided a description of recent meetings between five campuses (Fulton-Montgomery, Hudson Valley, Mohawk Valley, Monroe, and Schenectady), the Manufacturing Association of Central New York (MACNY), and GlobalFoundries to develop a new Mechatronics curriculum that can be replicated across the state.

The Committee also heard brief updates about the NY Job Linkage Program, the MTP on Non-Credit Remediation, Community College Chargebacks, Campus-Based Child Care Centers, and the ongoing Nassau County Litigation issue.

Executive Session

Committee Chairman Dullea called for a motion to enter into Executive Session. Upon motion of Trustee Spielvogel and second by Trustee Murad, the Committee entered into Executive Session at 11:46am.

No votes or action were taken in Executive Session. Committee Chairman Dullea recessed this session at 12:18pm and returned to Open Session of the Committee Meeting.

Adjournment

Committee Chairman Dullea called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Trustee Spielvogel and second by Trustee Murad, the Committee adjourned at 12:19pm.