

**ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018, 10:02 A.M.**

The Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees (also referred to herein as the Board) held a meeting at 10:02 a.m. on Wednesday, November 7, 2018, in the Board Room of the Alabama Community College System building in Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was called in accordance with Act No. 2015-125.

**PRESIDING: MR. AL THOMPSON
CHAIRMAN**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Thompson.

The invocation was delivered by Dr. Vicki Karolewics, President of Wallace State Community College – Hanceville and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following Board members were present:

Mr. Al Thompson
Mr. Ron Fantroy
Mrs. Susan Foy
Ms. Crystal Brown
Mr. Matthew Woods
Mr. Milton Davis
Mr. Chuck Smith
Mr. Jeffrey Newman

Mr. Blake McAnally attended via telephone. Also present was Mr. Jimmy H. Baker, Chancellor of the Alabama Community College System. Absent was Governor Kay Ivey.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Fantroy, the agenda was approved unanimously without discussion as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Ms. Brown, second by Ms. Foy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Minutes of the October 10, 2018 meeting as presented without discussion.

**SECTION VI
PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

Chairman Thompson addressed all persons in attendance. He stated that the Board has publicized the policy and bylaw relating to public comments. Mr. Thompson stated that the bylaw has been applied consistently and fairly since the governance of the Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees and that the Board will continue to abide by the bylaw until the Board sees fit to change it. He stated that the process has been consistent and fair from the beginning.

SECTION VII

(ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS, ADULT EDUCATION, FACILITIES, FISCAL, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT)

ADOPTED

SNEAD STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE REVISION OF SPECIAL BUILDING FEE

On motion by Mr. Woods, second by Mr. Davis, the Board authorized Snead State Community College to revise its Special Building Fee from \$12 to \$15 per credit hour effective Spring semester 2019. Fiscal Consideration: \$174,000 Estimated Additional Revenue.

BEVILL STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE REFUNDING OF BOND ISSUES

On motion by Mr. Woods, second by Mr. Smith, the Board adopted a resolution providing (1) for refunding of certain obligations of Beville State Community College (2) for the financing thereof by the issuance of refunding revenue bonds in the principal amount of up to \$12,250,000 (3) for securing the payment of the principal of the interest on such bonds, and (4) for payment of costs of issuing the Bonds. Fiscal Consideration: \$12,250,000.

JOHN C. CALHOUN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC

On motion by Ms. Brown, second by Mr. Fantroy, the Board authorized John C. Calhoun Community College to proceed with design and construction of a renovation to its Health Sciences Building to create a new Dental Hygiene Clinic. Design must be complete and construction contracts must be executed no later than November 30, 2019 or this authorization will expire. Fiscal Consideration: \$841,645.

T.A LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT MILLSAP INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTER (BESSEMER CAMPUS)

On motion by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Foy, the Board authorized T.A. Lawson State Community College to proceed with the replacement of the roof at the Millsap Industrial

Training Center at Lawson State's Bessemer Campus. Design must be complete and construction contracts must be executed no later than November 30, 2019 or this authorization will expire. Fiscal Consideration: \$561,355.

T.A LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ROOF REPLACEMENT AT ACADEMIC BUILDING, SCIENCE BUILDING, LIBRARY,
AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (BIRMINGHAM CAMPUS)

On motion by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Brown, the Board authorized T.A. Lawson State Community College to proceed with the replacement of the roofs at the Academic Building, Science Building, Library, and Administration Building at Lawson State's Birmingham Campus. Design must be complete and construction contracts must be executed no later than November 30, 2019 or this authorization will expire. Fiscal Consideration: \$1,952,728.

GADSDEN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PRECISION MACHINING FACILITY

On motion by Mr. Woods, second by Ms. Brown, the Board authorized Gadsden State Community College to proceed with construction of a Precision Machining Facility. Design must be complete and construction contracts must be executed no later than November 30, 2019 or this authorization will expire. Fiscal Consideration: \$730,694.

SECTION VIII
EXECUTIVE, LEGAL AND PUBLIC INFORMATION

ADOPTED

ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

On motion by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Brown, the Board authorized and directed each college and Alabama Technology Network (ATN) to purchase general liability insurance coverage under a policy recommended by the Chancellor for the coverage period November 15, 2018, and ending November 14, 2019. It further recommended that the annual premium be apportioned among the colleges and ATN as determined by the Chancellor. Fiscal Consideration: \$159,405.98 – Current Unrestricted Fund.

ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE

On motion by Mr. Smith, second by Ms. Foy, the Board authorized and directed each college and Alabama Technology Network (ATN) to purchase cyber liability insurance coverage under a

policy recommended by the Chancellor for the coverage period November 15, 2018, and ending November 14, 2019. It further recommended that the annual premium be apportioned among the colleges and ATN as determined by the Chancellor. Fiscal Consideration: \$96,133.52 – Current Unrestricted Fund.

SECTION IX **PERSONNEL**

Ms. Nikita Payne, Human Resource Director introduced the following new employees at the ACCS System office: Ms. Tokrica Moore, Administrative Assistant for the Information Technology Division, Courtney Monnette, Adult Education Specialist and Bradley Fricks, Director of Academic Affairs.

Chairman Thompson recognized Chancellor Baker for his selection as the Alumnus of the Year by Troy University at their homecoming celebration. The Troy Alumnus of the Year Award recognizes outstanding professional accomplishments, civic involvement and loyalty in service to Troy University. The award was presented to Chancellor Baker during halftime by Troy University's Chancellor, Dr. Jack Hawkins.

SECTION X **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Chancellor Baker stated that for the past year we have been working on school safety along with the Governor's office to develop a school safety plan. He stated that Chester Vrocher has been leading the charge. Chancellor Baker asked Chester Vrocher to give a brief overview of what they are doing.

Mr. Vrocher addressed the Board. He stated during the past year, he has audited the Colleges' emergency plans and has found what he considers to be the seven best practices. One of those best practices created by Mr. Keith President of Jefferson State Community College and Chief Mark Bailey to assess potential threats and potential threatening behavior. Mr. Vrocher stated that they have spoken to the President's Association, Dean of Students Association and the Human Resources Association about the possibility of implementing this system at all of the Colleges. Mr. Vrocher also stated that the interest has been positive.

Chief Bailey addressed the Board. Chief Bailey stated that most issues are based on cases of mental illness. He stated they have intervened in potential suicide cases. Chief Bailey also stated that they are dealing with students that are in a state of crisis being victims of violent crimes, such as domestic violence and sexual abuse. He also stated that they are looking at intervention techniques with students and faculty.

Mr. Brown addressed the Board. Mr. Brown stated they have intervened with 15 students by seeking help and providing resources. He also stated it is a tremendous program and it is cost

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effective. Chancellor Baker stated he has coordinated with the Chief of Public Safety of the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, and he is onboard with this program. He also stated that they are looking at the whole issue of safety. Chancellor Baker applauded the efforts that have been undertaken and the tremendous responses from the various Colleges. He also stated as they move forward they will keep the Board updated.

Chancellor Baker stated over the course of seven months, they have been looking at placing a greater emphasis on student services. A big part of that is how to improve in the classroom. He stated they are moving forward on a major initiative. Chancellor Baker stated he is excited by what the staff is working on.

Chancellor Baker asked Chris Alexander to discuss briefly the efforts on dealing with distance learning and the implementation of virtual distance learning across the State.

Chris Alexander addressed the Board. Mr. Alexander discussed the need and ability to reach more students. He also presented an overview PowerPoint presentation regarding online student success, quality assurance, faculty support and uniformity. He discussed national statistics for student success in online classes. He stated that over 90% of the online classes that are offered at Calhoun Community College are certified. Mr. Alexander spoke about the courses in compliance with ADA and accessible to all students. Mr. Alexander recognized committee members.

SECTION XI
(DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING)

The next Board meeting will be held in Montgomery at 10:00 a.m. on December 12, 2018 in the Board Room of the Alabama Community College System building in Montgomery, Alabama. A work session will follow at 10:45 a.m. and will also be held in the Board Room.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Brown, the Board meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Chairman

Chancellor