Name: Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Luzerne County Community College, Educational Conference Center, Nanticoke PA and Zoom Link

AGENDA ITEM	NOTES	ACTION TAKEN
Pledge of Allegiance	Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, asked attendees to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.	
Roll Call	Present: Joan M. Blewitt, Ph.D.; George Brown; James Dennis; Holly A. Evanoski, Secretary; Paul Halesey; Erin K. Keating, Ed.D.; Joseph Lettiere; Catherine R. O'Donnell, Esq., Vice Chair; August Piazza; Daniel C. Rodgers, Board Chair; Anthony Seiwell, Susan E. Unvarsky; Kevin Walsh, Esq., College Solicitor.	
	Excused: Lynn Distasio and Bernard Graham, Ph.D.	
	Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, reported prior to the start of the February 22, 2022, Board meeting an Executive Session was held to discuss personnel and litigation issues.	
1. Public Comment	Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, opened the floor for public comment.	2. N/A.
2. Approval of December 21, 2021, Board Minutes	2. Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, recommended approval of the December 21, 2021 Board meeting minutes.	2. Approved. Motion made by George Brown; seconded by Joan M. Blewitt, Ph.D.
		Vote was all "yes". Motion carried.
3. Approval of February 22, 2022, Board Agenda	3. Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, recommended approval of the February 22, 2022 Board agenda.	3. Approved. Motion made by Holly Evanoski, Board Secretary; seconded by Joseph Lettiere.
		Vote was all "yes". Motion carried.

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4. Report of Officers and Agents		
 ♣ President's Report 	President Leary reported the Wilkes Barre and the Hazleton Center have expanded their footprint and instructional facility this Spring semester. Both Centers are now featuring state-of-the-art science labs. In addition, the Wilkes Barre Center has acquired a second floor that now includes several remodeled classrooms, an Academic Support Center, a student lounge area, and additional staff offices and reception area. These Centers continue to be strong entry points to LCCC, meeting the educational needs in these communities. The College's investments at these two dedicated Centers are bearing much fruit. The Wilkes Barre Center spring enrollment is up 38% and the Hazleton Center spring enrollment is up 141% compared to last spring. Luzerne County Community College has added 4,738 square feet to the Hazleton Center Lease. The result: Two (2) additional classrooms used by the Luzerne County Head Start, Inc. for a Center in Hazleton. LCCC students will benefit from this both from a program resource and a child care opportunity. Two (2) additional rooms were combined to create a Science Lab, meeting the needs of the growing number of students in the Hazleton area who primarily use the Center for their College experience; and Two (2) more rooms will be combined to create a Micro-Credential Lab for trade and technology skills training. The space will meet the needs of local employers seeking employees trained in certain industrial maintenance skills such as robotics, programmable logical controllers, hydraulics, electrical engineering technology and pneumatics. Additional expansion is being planned for student service and/or office space on the first floor;	N/A

President's Report continued.

An update was forwarded to the members of the Board regarding the upcoming PA Commission for Community Colleges Annual Meeting and Virtual Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Monday, March 28th. A conversation with Senator Casey and the group is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.; followed by the business portion of the Board of Directors meeting with the Presidents at 11 a.m. If you would like to participate virtually and have not yet confirmed your attendance please do or feel free to contact Paula and she will make the arrangements for you.

Through the generosity of our donors and community friends, the LCCC **EITC funding** is supporting tuition and textbook costs for over 300 high school students in Luzerne County. Overall, the Early College Program is serving approximately 1000 high school students this Spring semester.

The College is once again joining forces with the **East Stroudsburg University Clear Path NSF Grant** to provide mentorship, academic and financial support to LCCC students earning an associate degree in STEM and transferring to ESU for their bachelor's degree. During this second round 5-year grant, students will receive up to \$10,400 at LCCC and up to \$20,000 at ESU in scholarships.

LCCC will take part in this year's **National Remake Learning event,** by hosting engaging workshops and trainings during the National Remake Learning Week in May. The two events are: * Culturally Responsive Teaching: Concepts and Strategies to Connect with Learners - by Dr. Kate Zielinski and Dr. Janis Wilson Seeley. - aimed for K-12 teachers

NEPA's STEM Future - by Brandon Babish, Ursula Uhrin, and Edward Hernandez. - Aimed for Middle school students and their parents. This event will be bilingual and held at our Hazleton Center.

Three (3) LCCC students: James Monahan, Suheiry Feliciano, and Juribeth Roman Torres, will be participating this spring in Leadership Lackawanna's Leadership Collegiate program. This is a

6-week virtual program, which runs from March 7 through April 18, is an excellent opportunity to enhance their leadership skills. In celebration of **Black History Month and the International Day of Women and Girls in Science,** LCCC held several cultural and educational events, included the showing of the film **Hidden Figures**; Film showing & discussion with Professor Jim Gavenus on Selma; and lastly, we held an online **Black History Bingo** event. On Sunday, March 13, the College will participate in Wilkes-Barre's annual **Saint Patrick's Day parade**. President Leary expressed his appreciation to trustee and Mayor George Brown and staff for extending an invitation to Luzerne County Community College.

- Treasurer's Report

Cheryl Baur, Vice President of Finance, reported the College has projected total salaries to be 14% under budget. Benefits are projected to be 5% below budget. The remaining expenses are projected to be 11% below budget. Overall total expenses 13% below budget.

Revenue and Operating Fund: Projecting total tuition to be 2% above budget. <u>Highlights</u>: Fall 2021 Out of county- 10% above budget; out of State -59% above budget. At this time a 2% increase in Spring revenues over budget are projected. A \$1,775,000 revenue over expenses for a period ending June 30, 2022.

Bookstore – Salaries projected to be 8% underbudget- benefits to be 4% underbudget. Over all we expect revenue over expenses by \$10,000. It was noted the bookstore was budgeted net zero.

Food Service – Salaries projected to be 3% below budget, benefits about 5%; and projected to have a loss of \$135,000.

Capital – Expenses are projected to be 36% over budget; when the budget was completed for 21-22 we did not include the lease payment for the GESA project which is approximately \$600,000 per year. The College anticipates expenses over revenue by \$1.7 million.

- Foundation Report ACTION ITEMS	Rebecca Brominski, Executive Director, Institutional Advancement 40th Annual Rossetti Show May 7, the Annual Alumni Flea Mark May 13 Dental Health Alumni Day May 23 8th Annual Alumni Golf Tournament On Friday, April 29th the Annual Legislative Hybrid Breakfast will be held in the Dining Room of the Educational Conference Center. The breakfast will be held at 8:30 followed by the program at 9 a.m. Nursing Health Science Center, Estate of Francis S. Carrozza \$20,000 new gift \$100,000 a year for nursing	
6. Report of the Executive	6. Daniel C. Rodgers, Board Chair, presented the report of the	ACTION TAKEN
Committee	Executive Committee.	TIGHTON TIMES
6A. Recommend Approval of Strategic Plan 2022-2026, -Revised Mission Statement and Institutional Values	6A. Recommend Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the Strategic Plan 2022-2026, revised Mission Statement and Institutional Values. Mission Statement: Luzerne County Community College is a student-centered institution prioritizing support and access to an inclusive, equitable learning environment that fosters academic and personal success and strengthens communities in the Northeast Pennsylvania region.	6A. Approved. Motion made by Joan M. Blewitt, Ph.D.; seconded by Paul Halesey. Vote was all "yes". Motion carried
7. Report of the Student Success	7. Student Success and Workforce Development	ACTION TAKEN
and Workforce Development Committee	Committee	ACTION TAILEN
7A. Ratification, Spring 2022 Academic Calendar	7A. Recommend the Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the revised Spring 2022 Academic Calendar	7A. Approved. Motion made by Erin K. Keating, Ed.D.; seconded by Holly Evanoski, Board Secretary. Vote was all "yes". Motion carried

8. Report of the Audit, Finance and Facilities Committee	8. Susan E. Unvarsky, Committee Chair presented the Audit, Finance and Facilities Committee report.	ACTION TAKEN
8A. Bid #503, Waste Removal	8A. Recommend Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the award of Bid #503, for Waste Removal to Waste Reduction and Recycling in the amount of \$23,880.00 per year. This is a three (3) year contract to provide waste removal services for the Main Campus, the Joseph A. Paglianite Culinary Institute and the Francis S. and Marie Gill Carrozza, R.N., Health Science Center in Nanticoke.	8A. Approved. Motion made by Paul Halesey; seconded by James Dennis. Vote was all "yes". Motion carried.
8B. Bid #504, Air Flow Units	8B. Recommend Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the award of Bid #504 in the amount of 28,593.60 to Hu-Friedy Mfg. Co. Inc.	8B. Approved. Motion made by George Brown; seconded by Joan M. Blewitt, Ph.D.
		Vote was all "yes." Motion carried.
8C. Bid #505, Wireless Upgrade Project	8C. Recommend the Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the award of Bid #505, Wireless Update Project to the lowest responsible bidders for the specified Aruba equipment. Section A - IntegraONE for wireless access points in the amount of \$61,951.65 (Aruba); Section B - IntegraONE for Software & Services in the amount of \$19,776.10 (Aruba); Section C - IntegraONE for Miscellaneous equipment in the amount of \$1,460.85. The total amount for sections A through C is \$83,188.60. Luzerne County Community College's wireless infrastructure upgrade will be funded under the GEER II grant.	8C. Approved. Motion made by Joan M. Blewitt, Ph.D.; seconded Paul Halesey. Vote was all "yes". Motion carried.
Report of the Audit, Finance and Facilities Committee	Audit, Finance and Facilities Committee report.	ACTION TAKEN
8D. Board Resolution – PDE Capital Application Projects	8D. Recommend the Luzerne County Community College ("LCCC") Board of Trustees approve the capital projects to be	8D. Approved. Motion made by Erin K. Keating, Ed.D.; seconded by James

	submitted in March 2022 via the Pennsylvania Department of Education ("PDE") capital application process. Additionally, Luzerne County Community College Board of Trustees approve the authorization of matching funds for any capital	Dennis. Vote was all "yes". Motion carried.
	project submitted via the PDE capital application process and approved for funding by PDE for FY2022-2023.	
	The capital projects approved to be submitted to PDE in the March 2022 capital application process and the estimated costs are: Building 1 Switchgear Replacement - \$200,018 Water Infiltration Remediation - \$100,000 Main Parking Lot Paving and Replacement of Sidewalk and Curbing - \$1,600,000.	
	Final Board of Trustee approval of the project(s) will be submitted with exact funding amounts when approved for funding by PDE. All College policies and procedures will be followed.	
9. Report of the Compliance, Legal Affairs, Policies, Human Resources Diversity and Inclusion Committee	9. Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, noted there were no action items of the Committee at this time.	ACTION TAKEN
10. Report of the Government and External Affairs, Public Relations, and Marketing, and College Foundation Committee	10. Catherine O'Donnell, Esq., Chair, Government and External Affairs, Public Relations, and Marketing, and College Foundation Committee, stated there were no action items to report.	ACTION TAKEN
	<u>Informational Items</u>	
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1.Unfinished Business-Previous Meeting	1.N/A	1. No action required.
2. Communications	2. All communications were included in the Board packets.	2. No action required.
3.Adjournment	3. Daniel Rodgers, Board Chair, asked for a motion to adjourn.	3. Motion to adjourn was made Anthony

	Seiwell; seconded by James Dennis.
	All in favor. Motion carried.