

**COFFEYVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
September 19, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order on September 19, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Trustees Present:      Becky Barnhart      David Baldwin      Jimmy Littleford  
                                 Lora Stalford

Trustee Absent:      Doug Misch

Others Present:

President Dr. Marlon Thornburg	Vice President Dr. Aron Potter
College Legal Counsel Doug Bell	Alessandra Thompson
Dean Heather Pollet	Kari Soper
Kim Blaes	Abdul Olusesi
Ashley Tatman	Melissa Gunby
Andy Taylor	Kevin Hunt
Cleo Ruark	Richard Wells
Gary Janzen	Abigail Moss

Chair Barnhart opened the meeting and welcomed all guests present. She called upon Cleo Ruark, Precision Machining Instructor who was present to speak about his program. Cleo provided details about the machining program. It is available for high school students or post- secondary students in the afternoon and evening hours. High skilled jobs such as machinist, C.N.C. machinist and tool and die makers are some of the positions taught. A class for John Deere machinists has been set up as there is a shortage of machinists. Students can earn up to \$20.00 per hour starting wage upon completion of the program.

Dr. Thornburg called upon Richard Wells and Gary Janzen to come to the podium. Dr. Thornburg wanted to recognize these bus drivers as he told the Board about the accident involving a CCC cruiser hauling the volleyball team. The officers called to the scene noted that driver Gary Janzen handled the situation well to bring the bus to safety. Richard noted he has been with CCC for 36 years, he, his wife Sonja and Ron Amann helped at the accident to get our team, Gary and vehicles back to campus. He stated Gary was covered in broken glass. Gary stated he has driven for CCC for six years and noted it was a fun job, he enjoys the students and watching the games.

Next to come to the podium was Kevin Hunt, the Construction Technology Instructor on the Columbus campus. Kevin has been with CCC for 17 years. He noted he has worked construction all his life. The construction technology program is a nine month certification program where students can earn five different industry recognized certificates. With their certifications, they can

earn \$15.00 to \$22.00 per hour starting wage. With an additional 15 hours, a student can obtain the Associates of Science degree. Crossland Construction in Columbus has taken students to their projects and CCC shared the CAT simulator cost with Crossland. A spec house is now being built, which is the third house Kevin has built with the students. This particular house is 1900 square feet on a one acre lot. The students do all the work except the HVAC portion. The construction students have also built several projects for the City of Columbus. Each year, they host the fifth graders from Columbus Elementary for a birdhouse workshop. Kevin stated they will be going to the Cherokee Co. Job Fair in conjunction with workforce.

Phi Theta Kappa officer, Alessandra Thompson gave the Chapter update. The Chapter now has 70 members. Regional Coordinator Tammy Fuentez and Regional Vice President for Service Haley Farran were scheduled to speak at the upcoming induction. Members will be assisting Advisor Gunby with the hospitality suite at home football games. Advisor Gunby and members helped with the grape harvest at Osage Springs Vineyard.

Director of Marketing, Ashley Tatman provided the Marketing update. Ashley noted the Marketing Department was preparing to be very busy the next two weeks. They will be live streaming the PTK Induction Ceremony; they will be in Iowa the 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> to receive the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations award. Homecoming week begins with the Band Festival; student activities; Distinguished Alumni Luncheon; the Fine Arts Induction, Letterman Hall of Fame; and, ceremony at halftime of the football game. The marketing report reflected many creative work orders completed, as well as videos and website updates.

Student Life/Diversity and Inclusion Director, Abdul Olusesi, presented the Student Life Update. Abdul updated the Board on all the activities held for the month of September. He stated he has great staff this year. He noted his assistant Kamri Anderson plays a big part in being able to accomplish more for students and execute ideas and activities along with the other student life managers.

President Thornburg updated the Board with the President's report. President Thornburg noted Jeff Leiker and Dr. Wiggins were the guest speakers at the Chamber of Commerce Business over Breakfast meeting, September 7<sup>th</sup>. President Thornburg was invited to facilitate the Chamber Brainstorming Session on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. He updated the Board on the activities the Columbus campus participated in and also have planned for the remaining month. He and Vice President Potter will be attending the CATYC Conference September 24-27 in Indianapolis. The purpose of the CATYC is to support appropriate legislation to improve programs and services in two-year colleges, sponsor workshops and seminars on topics of interest of accrediting agencies, and to promote research and assist the member institutions in meeting change in two-year college education. President Thornburg then discussed the important dates and College activities coming up.

Vice President Morris was absent from the meeting, but informed President Thornburg there was a mistake in the July financial system that pulled data from August creating a mistake.

At this time, Chairman Barnhart asked if there was any discussion or questions regarding the action items. President Thornburg spoke to the Board regarding the approval of van purchases. He noted it appears to be cheaper to purchase a new van versus a used one. Vice President Morris will check with the local Ford dealers. Trustee Baldwin moved the action items be approved, Trustee Littleford seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0. The consent agenda included:

Approval of Minutes

Personnel Report

Approval of Bills


Treasurer's Report

Approval of Open LMS / Moodle Rooms Contract

Approval of Van Purchases

Approval of Swank Motion Picture Movie Contract

Being no further business Chair Barnhart asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Stalford moved and Trustee Littleford seconded. The motion was approved 5-0. The Board adjourned at 4:58 p.m.



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Dr. Marlon Thornburg, Secretary