

# PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

**January 12, 2021**

The Board of Trustees of Pearl River Community College met Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. for their monthly meeting. This meeting was held in-person and by Webex (zoom) in the West Dining Room of the Olivia Bender Cafeteria on the Pearl River Community College Campus in Poplarville, Mississippi.

### **TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE/ABSENT:**

Mr. Tony Waits, Chairman  
Mr. M. L. "Sonny" Knight, Secretary  
Mr. Dale Purvis, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Alan Lumpkin  
Mr. Dexter Jordan  
Ms. Teenia Perry  
Mr. Don Welsh  
Mr. Alan Dedeaux

Mr. Frank Ladner  
Mr. Michael T. Waits  
Ms. Wendy Bracey  
Mr. Donnie Williamson  
Mr. Brian Freeman - Absent  
Dr. Gale Harris  
Ms. Teresa Lynn Stafford  
Dr. Steven Hampton

**PRCC STAFF:** President Dr. Adam Breerwood, Senior Vice President for College Operations Mr. Roger Knight, Senior Vice President for Instruction/Provost Dr. Martha Smith, Vice President for Institutional Research Dr. Jennifer Seal, Vice President of the Forrest County Center Dr. Jana Causey, Vice President for Poplarville, Campus and Student Services Mr. Jeff Long, Executive Director of Development Foundation/Alumni Association Mr. Ernie Lovell, and President's Assistant Ms. Marilyn Dillard

### **Invocation and Pledge**

Chairman Tony Waits presided and opened the meeting. Dr. Gale Harris provided the Invocation. Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, the following business was transacted.

### **Guests**

No guests were present.

### **Presentations/Recognitions**

None.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Waits called for approval of the **December 8, 2020 board meeting minutes**. A motion was made by Frank Ladner, seconded by Sonny Knight, to approve the December 8, 2020 board meeting minutes as presented. The motion was unanimous.

### **Departmental Reports**

Departmental Reports were presented by Dr. Martha Smith, Dr. Jana Causey, Dr. Jennifer Seal, Ernie Lovell, and Jeff Long.

### **Financial Reports**

Mr. Knight presented and reviewed the **Reconciled Bank Balances and Unrestricted Current Fund Statement of Expenditures ending December 31, 2020**. No action was necessary.

Mr. Knight presented for review and approval the **December 2020 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket) in the amount of \$3,224,502.38**. Student refunds in the amount of \$174,549.14 are included in the total amount. A motion was made by Dr. Gale Harris, seconded by Dale Purvis, to approve the December 2020 Disbursement Register as presented herein. The motion was unanimous. The original Disbursement Register is on file in the Business Office.

Mr. Knight presented for approval the **January 2021 Fixed Assets Deletion Report** for institution-wide in the amount of \$26,684.59. The report contains various unserviceable vehicles, computers, and other electronic items that are no longer in use and will be prepared for salvage. A motion was made by Mike Waits, seconded by Sonny Knight, to approve the Fixed Assets Deletion Report as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous. The original report is on file in the Business Office.

### **Personnel Matters**

Dr. Smith presented for acceptance the **resignation of Mr. Henry Wadsworth**, from the position of Instructor of Psychology effective January 4, 2021. A motion was made by Frank Ladner, seconded by Sonny Knight, to approve and accept the resignation of Mr. Wadsworth as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous.

Dr. Causey presented for acceptance the **resignation for the purpose of retirement of Dr. Karen Taylor** from the position of Program Chair/Associate Degree Nursing effective May 31, 2021. A motion was made by Mike Waits, seconded by Teresa Stafford, to accept the retirement of Dr. Taylor as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous.

### **Legal Matters**

None.

### **Other Business**

Dr. Seal reviewed and discussed the **2019-2020 Strategic Plan** and recommended board approval of the document. A motion was made by Frank Ladner, seconded by Sonny Knight, to approve the 2019-2020 Strategic Plan as reviewed by Dr. Seal. The motion was unanimous.

Dr. Seal also reviewed and discussed the **2019-2020 Assessment Charts** and recommended board approval of the document. A motion was made by Sonny Knight, seconded by Teresa Stafford, to approve the 2019-2020 Assessment Charts as reviewed by Dr. Seal. The motion was unanimous.

Due to the voluminous size of these documents, they were available at the meeting for review by the Board of Trustees. These documents are also available for review in the Office of Planning and Research.

### **President's Report**

Dr. Breerwood gave a report on the campus tour held prior to today's board meeting. He expressed his appreciation to board members for arriving early for the tour which provided visual updates to the new student dormitories located adjacent to Dobie Holden Stadium, the new Rodeo barn and

surrounding area, and the new home for the College's Development Foundation/Alumni Association located on Highway 11 near the College's north entrance to the campus.

Dr. Breerwood reported that the College is in the process of securing the Covid-19 vaccine for employees. Although a definite date has not been established for the administering of the vaccine, it is anticipated this will be scheduled in the near future.

In closing, Dr. Breerwood stated that regular scheduled classes will begin January 19, and that although enrollment is down, the College is prepared and ready to begin the 2021 Spring Semester.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Waits called for the meeting to be adjourned. A motion was made by Frank Ladner, seconded by Sonny Knight, to adjourn. The motion was unanimous.

The next meeting of the PRCC Board of Trustees will be held Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. by in-person, Webex (zoom), or call-in attendance in Pearl River Community College's Olivia Bender Cafeteria.

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Mr. Anthony C. "Tony" Waits  
Chairman of the Board

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M. L. "Sonny" Knight, Board Secretary

The official signed minutes and Exhibit Items (if applicable)  
are on file in the PRCC President's Office and  
are available for viewing upon request.