

PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2023

The Board of Trustees of Pearl River Community College met Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 1:00PM for their monthly meeting. This meeting was held 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 - Absent*
Dr. Steven Hampton
Mr. Ike Haynes
Ms. Teenia Perry
Mr. Donnie Williamson - Absent
Mr. Rhett Ladner - Absent

Mr. Frank Ladner
Mr. Michael Waits
Mr. Carl Michael Day
Mr. Don Welsh
Mr. Brian Freeman
Dr. Gale Harris
Ms. Teresa Stafford
Mr. John Shows

PRCC Staff in Attendance:

Dr. Adam Breerwood, *President*
Dr. Martha Lou Smith, *Vice President for Instruction/Provost*
Dr. Jennifer Seal, *Vice President for Planning and Institutional Research*
Ms. Candace Harper, *Vice President for Enrollment Management and Business Services*
Dr. Raymunda Barnes, *Vice President for Hancock Center*
Ms. Bettye Clark, *Chief Financial Officer*
Mr. Jeff Long, *Vice President for Poplarville Campus and Student Services*
Mr. Craig Tynes, *Executive Director of Facility Planning and Capital Projects*
Mr. Matt Logan, *Chief Information Officer*
Ms. Maghan Smith, *Executive Assistant to the President*

Invocation and Pledge

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

Guests

Dr. Breerwood introduced Mr. John Shows, Superintendent of Pearl River County School District to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Shows has 22 years of experience in education, which includes serving as a teacher, coach, assistance principal and principal. He has served as a board member and president of the board in Simpson County School District and served as a member of the Copiah Lincoln Community College Board of Trustees. Mr. Shows is the newest member of the Pearl River Community College Board of Trustees.

Presentations and Recognitions

None.

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Approval of Minutes

Chairman Waits called for approval of the **December 8th board meeting minutes**. A motion was made by Frank Ladner, seconded by Sonny Knight, to approve the December 8, 2022 board meeting minutes as presented. The motion was unanimous.

Departmental Reports

Departmental reports were presented by Dr. Martha Lou Smith, Dr. Jennifer Seal, Mr. Jeff Long, Dr. Raymunda Barnes and Ms. Candace Harper.

Mr. Knight informed the Board that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met prior to the Board meeting to discuss the purchasing of **Energy and Savings Equipment** for the College. Mr. Knight made a recommendation to approve the purchasing of energy and savings equipment as needed. This recommendation was a result of the uncertainty in lead times of receiving equipment. A motion was made by the Buildings and Grounds Committee to approve the recommendation as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous.

Financial Reports

Ms. Clark presented and reviewed the **Reconciled Bank Balances ending December 31, 2022, and Unrestricted Current Fund Statement of Expenditures ending December 31, 2022**. No board action was necessary for these reports.

Ms. Clark presented for review and approval the **December 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 Disbursement Register (Claim Docket)** in the amount of \$2,005,776.90 total disbursements. Included in this amount is student refunds in the amount of \$107,394.78. A motion was made by Sonny Knight, seconded by Frank Ladner, to approve the Disbursement Register as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous. The original Disbursement Register is on file in the Business Office.

Personnel Matters – Resignations

None.

Personnel Matters – Recommendations for Employment and Employee Transfers

Dr. Causey presented for approval the **recommendation of Ms. Raven Gould** for the position of Instructor of Associate Degree Nursing (9 Months) effective January 11, 2023.

A motion was made by Mike Waits, seconded by Carl Michael Day to approve the recommendation for employment of **Ms. Gould**.

Legal Matters

None.

Other Business

Dr. Smith presented for review and approval the fall 2024, spring 2025 and summer 2025 Academic Calendar. A motion was made by Sonny Knight, seconded by Mike Waits to approve the **2024-2025 Academic Calendar** as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous.

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Ms. Harper presented for review and approval the **Hancock County Campus Sites** for the Hancock County Campus Hangar and the Hancock County Campus Aviation Aerospace Academy. A motion was made by Sonny Knight, seconded by Frank Ladner to approve the Hancock County Campus Sites as stated and defined herein. The motion was unanimous.

President's Report

Dr. Breerwood informed the Board that the College had a great start in Jackson at the Legislative Session during the first week of January.

Dr. Breerwood informed the Board that headcount was up 5.1% and credit hours were up 3.1% for spring 2023. Two examples that attribute to the success of the College's continued enrollment increase are expansion in Allied Health and Nursing and the ability to offer more Academic and Online Learning. In fall 2022, PRCC had the largest enrollment in its history.

Dr. Breerwood discussed legislative requests that will be submitted during the 2023 Legislative Session. The priority projects are a new Allied Health Nursing Facility, Expansion and Renovation of Current CTE Facilities and a Residence Hall.

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 Sonny Knight, seconded by Carl Michael Day to adjourn. The motion was unanimous.

The next meeting of the PRCC Board of Trustees will be held Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 1:00PM at Pearl River Community College's Olivia Bender Cafeteria.

Tony Waits
Chairman of the Board

M. L. "Sonny" Knight
Secretary of the Board

Exhibit Items for the January 10, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

None.

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.