

# Meeting Minutes of the **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



**SOUTHERN STATE**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 MEETING

The Southern State Community College Board of Trustees met Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at First State Bank, located at 19230 Ohio 136 in Winchester, Ohio.

At 12:23 p.m., Vice Chair Pell welcomed all attendees and presented a brief history of First State Bank. He then called the meeting to order. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

**Present:**

Trustee Michelle Cimis  
Trustee Brian De Bruin  
Trustee Donald Moore  
Trustee Brian Prickett  
Trustee Kyle Rudduck  
Trustee Mike Pell, Vice Chair

**Absent:**

Trustee Bob McEwen  
Trustee Paul Hall  
Trustee Doug Boedeker, Chair

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## **September 16, 2015 Agenda**

Trustee Cimis moved and Trustee Prickett seconded that the Board accept the September 16, 2015 agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

**Yes, acceptance of September 16, 2015 agenda:**

Trustee Brian Prickett  
Trustee Kyle Rudduck  
Trustee Michelle Cimis  
Trustee Brian De Bruin  
Trustee Donald Moore  
Trustee Mike Pell, Vice Chair

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## **Consideration of Minutes**

Trustee Moore moved and Trustee Cimis seconded that the August 19, 2015 minutes be

adopted as presented. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

**Yes, approval of August 19 Minutes:**

Trustee Kyle Rudduck

Trustee Michelle Cimis

Trustee Brian De Bruin

Trustee Donald Moore

Trustee Brian Prickett

Trustee Mike Pell, Vice Chair

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### **Monitoring Confirmation**

#### **President's Report**

President Boys welcomed all in attendance to the first Board of Trustees meeting to be hosted in Adams County this year. From his written report, he highlighted the successful closing of the Fincastle property sale and confirmed the desire to apply the sale proceeds toward the Adams County Campus project. He expressed deep appreciation for Mr. Jim Buck, who coordinated all processes and kept the pressure on all parties. He also recognized Amy McClellan for being accepted into Leadership Adams and Katy Markey into Leadership Clinton. He also expressed gratitude to Karyn Evans for her and her staff's hard work. They recently received the highest score in the state of Ohio for their ABLE Desktop Review and also opened a new location at the West Union Church of Christ in Adams County. President Boys also announced that Burges & Burges is preparing to present a report at the October Board meeting regarding the findings from its community research. He closed in noting that the Electromechanical Engineering program that began in Manchester three years ago and is now a full program. West Union High School has also started offering general education courses, and he thanked Dr. Peggy Chalker for her commitment to help with outreach programs in Adams County.

John Joy shared a brief overview of SSCC's Enterprise Center in Winchester, run by coordinator Russ Brewer, which began 6-7 years ago. It serves as an entrepreneur and small business support center, and has been very successful, due to the hard work and partnerships set in place by Mr. Brewer. His work and outreach was highly spoken of by Mr. Joy, Dr. Boys, and Vice Chair Pell.

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#### **Financial Reports**

In addition to his written report, Mr. Jim Buck reported that credit hour enrollment is currently

down 4% college-wide, however, it still appears that a balanced budget is attainable, based on other factors. He offered to share copies of the depreciation report and schedule mentioned last meeting, and announced an upcoming pre-audit meeting next week.

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Trustee Cimis moved and Trustee Rudduck seconded to approve the September 2015 President's Report and Financial Reports as presented. Roll Call Vote was as follows:

**Yes, approval of President's Report and Financial Reports:**

Trustee Michelle Cimis

Trustee Brian De Bruin

Trustee Donald Moore

Trustee Brian Prickett

Trustee Kyle Rudduck

Trustee Mike Pell, Vice Chair

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### **Finance Committee Report**

Trustee Rudduck gave a brief overview of the discussion that took place during the Finance Committee meeting, including College Credit Plus reimbursement, changes with the bookstore and a review of enrollment figures.

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### **Ohio Senate 5% Challenge Update**

President Boys updated the Board on SSCC's efforts to meet and succeed the Ohio Senate 5% Challenge, a requirement in the biennial budget for reducing the cost of higher education. The main focus was on reducing the credit hours required to complete each degree. President Boys offered special recognition and appreciation to Dr. Ryan McCall in his efforts, and to the faculty for taking the time to thoroughly review each course and curriculum to try to reach a total of less than 65 credit hours for their programs. A formal resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

Dr. McCall addressed Trustee Moore's question about the HVAC program. Since a faculty member has yet to be hired full-time for that program, the curriculum has not been able to be thoroughly reviewed. There are a few other accredited programs that have specific requirements, and will not be able to have credit hours reduced to below 65.

### **College Credit Plus Progress Report**

President Boys reported a recent uptick in high school student participation through the College Credit Plus program, and introduced and recognized the hard work of Dr. J.R. Roush, Dean of Core Studies and Lisa Hord, Director of Admissions. Dr. Roush presented a brief overview of the program and gave some examples of special arrangements we have made with local schools to meet their needs and to benefit SSCC. He also reported on the new Teacher Academy, introduced and facilitated by Becky Storer to help grow and retain teachers. Mrs. Hord also gave a brief overview from the Admissions side of the College Credit Plus program and processes set in place to streamline the process for new students. The College now has a presence in 35 local high schools in 12 counties, and CC+ students currently makes up 31% of SSCC's head count.

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### **Voluntary Framework of Accountability**

President Boys introduced a new national accountability system created by community colleges (through the AACC and ACCT organizations) for community colleges. A fair system has been created and is being developed using metrics and data specifically designed to measure the unique mission of community colleges. He highlighted from the handout three parts of the VFA: measures of student progress and outcomes; measures of workforce, economic and community development; and an approach for assessing student learning outcomes. He also announced that he was appointed by the AACC to the Oversight Board of VFA, and would advance SSCC's participation in VFA unless there were objections from the Board.

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### **Did You Know?**

In conclusion, Vice Chair Pell concluded with some interesting "Did You Know?" facts about Adams County, including:

- 32 East has third largest traffic count in the Greater Cincinnati market.
- \$30 million new hospital along with a new Cancer Center, Dialysis Center and a new nursing home/assisted-living facility under construction.
- Adams County has two school districts and have spent over \$100 million in elementary school facilities.
- Manchester spent \$4 million on an athletic facility (similar to a YMCA).

- The two DP&L facilities have new \$500 million upgrades in the last 5 years.
- Leadership Adams was founded 4-5 years ago and the program is doing very well.
- Real McCoy Outdoors was featured on the Outdoor channel recently.
- The Seraphim Ranch in West Union offers accommodations, and many outdoor adventures, including hunting, canoeing and fishing on their 9,000+ acres of land.
- Adams County has the second largest Amish population in Ohio, creating successful businesses such as Miller's Bakery and Furniture in West Union, making mail box posts for Lowe's and cedar birdhouses for Wal-mart.

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### Next Meeting

Next Meeting | 6:00 p.m., October 7, 2015 | Central Campus, Room 106 | 100 Hobart Drive, Hillsboro, OH 45133

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### Adjournment

At 1:29 p.m., Wednesday, September 16, 2015, Trustee Moore moved and Trustee Prickett seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

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President



Chairman



Secretary