MINUTES

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, on the college campus, 80 Vandenburgh Avenue, Troy, New York; via remote meeting and live streamed for the public on the college’s website at www.hvcc.edu.

Prior to the meeting, Assistant Secretary Suzanne Kalkbrenner introduced four members of the Class of 2023, who shared their Hudson Valley experiences and future plans with the Board. After hearing from Norualkis (Noru) Baez Alcantara, student trustee Ledina Banushllari, Ivan Gomez and Alexander Williams, Chairman Kelleher expressed his thanks to the students for their wonderful presentations.

He also noted that Noah Kucij, a longtime faculty member, died unexpectedly on April 5 and sent condolences to Mr. Kucij’s family and colleagues on behalf of the Board. Chairman Kelleher announced that the meeting would be adjourned in his memory.

Chairman Kelleher called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Grant, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on March 28, 2023, be and hereby are, approved.
Upon a motion by Ms. Banushllari, seconded by Ms. Fasoldt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

**Resolved**, that the request for revisions to the “Graduation with Honors” Policy, as recommended by the Academic Senate and the President, be, and hereby is, approved. It shall read as follows:

**Graduation with Honors**

Students who have attained a 3.5-4.0 cumulative or degree GPA at the time of degree conferral qualify to graduate with academic honors.

Students satisfying any one of the following criteria will be invited to participate in any honors events and wear honors regalia at the May Commencement ceremony:

- Honors graduates from the prior fall semester
- Students who have submitted a completed spring or summer degree application to the Registrar's Office and have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher at the end of the winter term prior to the ceremony
- Students who have submitted a completed spring or summer degree application to the Registrar's Office and have attained a degree GPA of 3.5 or higher at the end of the winter term prior to the ceremony but do not qualify for honors based on cumulative GPA may request manual review of their record for eligibility to graduate with honors based on degree GPA

Final determination of graduation with honors will occur once the final grades for the term of graduation have been processed.

Upon a motion by Mr. Fagan, seconded by Ms. Breselor, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

**Resolved**, that the request to accept the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation, Inc.’s IRS Form 990 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, as prepared by UHY LLP, and as recommended by the Foundation Board of Directors on April 19, 2023, be, and hereby is, approved.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following information items were noted:

**A. 2023/2024 COLLEGE FACULTY PROMOTIONS**

Faculty approved for promotion by the President effective September 1, 2023 are outlined below and written recommendations of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Deans and Department Chairpersons at the College are available on the portal.

**Assistant Professor to Associate Professor - $2,500 Adjustment**

Daniel Benoit  
Applied Technologies  
Erica Cole  
Medical Imaging  
Jaya Dasgupta  
Biology, Chemistry and Physics  
Peter Fil  
Engineering, Architecture and Manufacturing  
Gabriele Hamm  
Dental Hygiene
Randy Howarth  Applied Technologies
Cynthia Koman  Library
Wenda Quidort  Biology, Chemistry and Physics
Kate Rodriguez  Nursing and Surgical Technology
Chong Hwan Son  Education and Social Sciences

**Associate Professor to Full Professor - $3,000 Adjustment**

Paul Calarco  Education and Social Sciences
Tara Fracalossi  Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Digital Media
Laura Gonyea  Education and Social Sciences
Danica Nowosielski  Biology, Chemistry and Physics
Jamey Thompson  Biology, Chemistry and Physics

**B. 2023/2024 COLLEGE DEPARTMENT CHAIR MERIT RECOMMENDATIONS ($2,000 each)**

In accord with Article XI-2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the College and the Hudson Valley Community College Department Chairpersons Association, Department Chairperson merit recommendations that have been approved by the President effective September 1, 2023 are outlined below.

Scott Hathaway  Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Digital Media
Michael Shea  Biology, Chemistry and Physics

**C. 2023/2024 COLLEGE FACULTY MERIT RECOMMENDATIONS ($2,000 each)**

In accord with Article XII-D of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the College and the Hudson Valley Community College Faculty Association, Faculty merit recommendations that have been approved by the President effective September 1, 2023 are outlined below.

Elizabeth Allen  English, Foreign Languages and English as a Second Language
Jason Bloomingdale  Applied Technologies
R. Dean Odell  Engineering, Architecture and Manufacturing
Karen DuJack  Dental Hygiene
Joshua Kohan  English, Foreign Languages and English as a Second Language

**D. 2023/2024 COLLEGE NTP MERIT RECOMMENDATION ($1000 Each)**

In accord with section 300.60 of the Administrative Code for Non-Teaching Professional personnel, NTP Merit recommendations that have been approved by the President effective September 1, 2023, are outlined below.

Christina Pecukonis  Human Services and Chemical Dependency Counseling

**E. FULL TIME FACULTY**

1. **School of Health Sciences**
   Sydney Bertrand, Instructor,
   Nursing and Surgical Technology,
   f/t prob. appt., eff. 9/1/23  $48,981/yr
F. FULL TIME NON-TEACHING PROFESSIONALS
1. HVCC North
   Matty Blair, Operations Coordinator,
   HVCC North,
   f/t appt., eff. 3/30/23 or thereafter $55,000/yr

2. Institutional Effectiveness and Technology
   Evan Crawley, System Administrator,
   Instructional and Information Technology,
   f/t appt., eff. 5/15/23 $65,000/yr

G. FULL TIME CLASSIFIED/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF
1. Administration and Finance
   Sofia Murray, Custodial Worker,
   Facilities,
   f/t prob. appt., eff. 4/14/23 or thereafter $15.80/hr

2. School of Health Sciences
   Debra O’Keefe, Program Assistant, Academics II,
   Human Services and Chemical Dependency Counseling,
   f/t appt., eff. 4/12/23 $19.4995/hr

H. PART TIME FACULTY
1. School of Business and Liberal Arts
   Maria (Mia) Genovesi, Adjunct Instructor,
   Business and Criminal Justice,
   p/t appt., eff. 8/28/23 $1340/sch

   Susan McDonough, Adjunct Instructor,
   Business and Criminal Justice,
   p/t appt., eff. 8/28/23 $1340/sch

   John Soules, Adjunct Instructor,
   Business and Criminal Justice,
   p/t appt., eff. 8/28/23 $1340/sch

I. RESIGNATIONS
   Joanne Hammond, Associate Comptroller, Administration and Finance, eff. 5/12/23
   Gail Murray, Faculty Librarian, eff. 5/17/23
   Charles Paravella, Coordinator of Operations, EOC, eff. 5/4/23
   Brian J. Trautman, Academic Coach, Center for Academic Engagement, eff. 5/5/23

J. RETIREMENTS
   Caroline Saccone, Assistant Professor, Nursing and Surgical Technology, eff. 8/8/23
   Barry Witte, Assistant Director, Workforce Development, eff. 5/19/23

K. HVCC MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS
   1. 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Operating Budget Summary as of 3/31/2023
   2. Capital Expenditures, March 2023 and cumulative

L. FACULTY STUDENT ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORTS
   1. FSA Financial Reports, period ending 3/31/2023
MAY MEETING
The next monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 in the Guenther Board Room on the main campus.

Upon motion by Mr. Danaher, seconded by Dr. Jennings, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 pm in memory of Professor Noah V. Kucij.

Suzanne Kalkbrenner
Assistant Secretary to the Board