# **Hudson Valley Community College**

80 Vandenburgh Avenue, Troy, New York 12180

## **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.

#### **PRESENT ALSO PRESENT** Neil J. Kelleher, Chairman Dr. Roger A. Ramsammy, President Ledina Banushllari George J. Raneri, Secretary to the Board Judith Breselor Suzanne Kalkbrenner, Assistant Secretary to the Board Philip J. Danaher William Fagan Flora Fasoldt A. Aftab M. Gorsage C. Martin Thomas P. Grant N. Baez Alcantara L. Hassib J. McCart William C. Jennings J. Bourdeau P. Hill K. Petley Wayne Pratt D. Christian M. Howe M. Reynolds Brian Zweig A. Collins-Schroeder T. Kessel D. Richey D. Kennedy S. Sampler L. Donaghue **ABSENT** P. Klimkewicz Z. Shezad S. Ely None J. Stenard M. Geehan C. Lamport A. Maddock I. Gomez A. Williams

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.

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**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.

REVISIONS TO GRADUATION WITH HONORS POLICY

**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 GP A 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.

HVCC FOUNDATION IRS 990 FILING

**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:

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# 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
Kate Rodriguez
Chong Hwan Son
Biology, Chemistry and Physics
Nursing and Surgical Technology
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
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

#### 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.

ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF NOAH V. KUCIJ

Suzanne Kalkbrenner
Assistant Secretary to the Board