

MINUTES OF MEETING
COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
ARKANSAS BOARD OF VISITORS
March 6, 2023

Chair Tyler Davis called the regular meeting of the Board of Visitors to order at 12:00 p.m. following a light meal at the UA Cossatot Lockesburg Community Room.

Present: Brenda Tate Angie Walker
 Tim Pinkerton Dori Gutierrez
 Dr. Glenn Lance Tyler Davis

Absent: Barbara Horn Ellen Moreland
 Barbara Dixon Mike Cranford

Staff Reports

Chancellor Cole reported on the Great Agriculture Expansion. Dr. Cole spoke to Rotary Club in Nashville last week on this topic. The college has a wonderful agriculture program on the De Queen campus. While we have always had a great program that has produced great graduates, there has always been a need to expand the program and program offerings. UA Cossatot plans to enhance our current Agriculture program by expanding offerings to our Nashville campus. The college currently has written two large agriculture grants to help fund this new process. Dr. Cole added as the program grows, we are outgrowing the space in De Queen, and this is a good way to expand and offer Agriculture on our Nashville campus.

Vice Chancellor Charlotte presented the most recent financial report to the board. As of January in the summary of Unrestricted & Auxiliary Revenues/Expenditures, total revenues are running at about 7.6 million. The expenditure stands at 6.5 million. This usually happens when all the tuition for spring hits it will start to dwindle down over the course of the semester. Accounts Receivable are up, and we are running 285,000 from this time last year. We are working on paying off more old balances with grant funds. In Grants & Other Restricted Programs the college has about 2.8 million earned to date. The college added two new grants. In the Schedule of Bank Accounts, the college has a little over 5.4 million in the bank. This is down from this time last year as we invested some funds in the UA Pooled Investments. Charlotte proceeded to report that the college is at almost 1 million in Schedule of Investments- Certificate of Deposits from this time last year. The Tier 2 Investments for the UA Pooled Investments the college invested half a million in the middle of October and we stand at 511,000 at the end of January. The total endowment funds are at about 100,800.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Ashley Aylett presented the most recent Academic Services report. Dr. Aylett reported registration will be opening soon. Currently enrolled students will be able to register the week of March 27 and full registration will open the week of April 10. Our Spring enrollment is down 78 students from Spring 2023 compared to Spring 2022. The college had 90% of returning students. Concurrent enrollment is growing, and we expect to see a growth with Home Schooled

students. Dr. Aylett informed four programs have experienced limited student enrollment resulting in a low graduation rate. All programs can be considered non-viable to the institution at present. We are in the processing of revamping our Business programs to hopefully boost enrollment. We plan to delete the Associate of Applied Science in Digital Media and Marketing and embed the Technical Certificate and Certificate of Proficiency in Digital Media and Marketing. During the month of February, we hosted area juniors on our campuses for our annual Come Fall in Love recruiting event

Vice Chancellor of Facilities Mike Kinkade reported on the recent projects where our Facilities, Maintenance, or Building and Grounds departments are involved. Mike has received approval of our submitted architectural drawings from ANCR. The college has received a bid for the Lockesburg Welding shop expansion. Blue Darter Heritage Days paver project is moving along. The solar project continues to move forward with several other UA universities, colleges, and partners. The maintenance department has replaced 96 HVACs and continues to add a few additional units as we move into 2023. Our Cybersecurity Lab came to a halt as we awaited UALR technicians. We are working on getting all the equipment to get the Aerial Lineman Pole Yard in De Queen started.

Action Items:

No. 1 Approve the Minutes of January 9, 2023, Board of Visitors Meeting. Angie Walker motioned for passage and Brenda Tate seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

No. 2 Review UAC Curriculum Proposal Form- Esthetician. Angie Walker motioned for review. Dori Gutierrez seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

No. 3 Review UAC Curriculum Proposal Form- Nail Technician. Angie Walker motioned for review and Dori Gutierrez seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

Chair Tyler Davis asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Glenn Lance made the motion and with a second from Brenda Tate, Chair Tyler Davis adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Walker, Secretary

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