

MINUTES OF MEETING
COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
ARKANSAS BOARD OF VISITORS
January 8, 2024

Vice Chair Mike Cranford called the regular meeting of the Board of Visitors to order at 12:06 p.m. following a light meal at the UA Cossatot Lockesburg Community Room.

Present:	Barbara Dixon	Dori Gutierrez	Angie Walker
	Mike Cranford	Tim Pinkerton	Brenda Tate
Absent:	Barbara Horn	Ellen Moreland	
	Dr. Glenn Lance	Tyler Davis	

Staff Reports

Chancellor Cole welcomed the Board to the January meeting. Chancellor Cole proceeded to report the results from the colleges Higher Learning Commission site visit. He mentioned our people are awesome and how well everyone performed during this time. We had goals to meet and met all standards. Chancellor Cole could not express how much our employees showed up and stood out for UA Cossatot. We have awesome employees and students that made all this happen!

Chancellor Cole presented the latest financial report to the board. In the summary of Unrestricted & Auxiliary revenues at the end of November are at 5.5 million. The Expenditures are up from this time last year and stand at 5 million. In Accounts Receivable, the college is up compared to last year. In Grants & Other Restricted Programs we have added one new grant. The college has earned over 10 million in grants and has utilized 1 million during the first quarter. The numbers for the Schedule of Bank Accounts are at a little over 4.9 million, this is down from this time last year. Charlotte proceeded to report the college is almost 1 million in total for Schedule of Investments- Certificate of Deposits. Pooled investments have increased to 512,000. The total endowment funds are a little over 156,000, this is with Title III deposits. Charlotte shared with the board the UA System Quarterly reports.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Ashley Aylett presented the latest Academic Services report. Dr. Aylett notified the board that Spring registration is now open for all students. The college will be holding in person graduation for the Fall graduates. This will take place on Friday, December 8 at 5:30. We are expecting 240 graduates. In October Student Services hosted a College Fair on our Lockesburg campus for high school juniors and seniors. Dr. Aylett informed the board we are still awaiting feedback from the HLC visit. The Academic team is working on transitioning to Workday Student. Registration for Fall 2024 will occur through Workday.

Vice Chancellor Mike presented a Facilities update report. The continuous Middle School Project Phase II is close to wrapping up. Windows have been installed and paint touch ups are completed. We are just working on finishing up the floor and that will wrap up the last 4 classrooms in this

building. Another project almost complete on the Lockesburg campus is the Welding Shop Expansion. This building was 40 x 90 and we have added 30 x 90. The new section will be used for grinding space and project shed. Mike mentioned the EDA project slowly underway for the Medical Lab Technician and the Simulation Labs as we await architectural drawings. The Blue Darter Heritage Days paver project is ongoing and on-site. If you are interested in purchasing a paver contact the Foundation Director Madelyn Jones. We are in continuous work with other UA universities to develop a collaborative solar project. Mike mentioned our Aerial Lineman program is in progress, we are only awaiting trucks.

Action Items:

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

No. 2 Review College Policy 203: Grievance Policy. Angie Walker motioned for review. Barbara Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

No. 3 Review New College Policy 435: Pregnant Workers Fairness Act. Angie Walker motioned for review and Dori Gutierrez seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

Vice Chair Mike Cranford asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Angie Walker made the motion and with a second from Brenda Tate, Vice Chair Mike Cranford adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Walker, Secretary

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