

MINUTES OF MEETING
COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
ARKANSAS BOARD OF VISITORS

March 1, 2021

Chair Kathy Beavert called the regular meeting of the Board of Visitors to order at 12:00 p.m. following a light meal at the UA Cossatot Bank of Lockesburg Gymnasium.

Present:	Kathy Beavert	Tim Pinkerton	Jimmy Tumey
	Dr. Glenn Lance	Robert Martinez	
	Brenda Tate	Barbara Dixon	

Absent:	Barbara Horn	Tyler Davis
	Angie Walker	

Staff Reports

Chancellor Cole reported to the Board of Visitors the status of solar energy. Dr. Cole mentioned looking into an energy source that is renewable would be beneficial for the college. The UA System currently has many solar projects that are completed and some that are ongoing. Chancellor Cole invited John Coleman with Entegri to provide an overview about solar products to the Board. At the time, the college is exploring options of what type of solar equipment is out there. Mr. John Coleman continued the discussion about solar by presenting a PowerPoint with further information.

Vice Chancellor Charlotte proceeded to present the latest financial report to the Board. At the end of January, the college was down 520,000 from this time last year in revenues, it is mostly in tuition and fees due to enrollment. The expenditures are down from last year as well. They have been kept at a minimum to offset some revenues. Accounts Receivable balance is down from last year. In Grants & Other Restricted Programs, the college is up 5.6 million in grants at the end of January. The college has recently received 2-3 grants in the last week. The Schedule of Bank Accounts has over 4.8 million in all accounts. In Certificate of Deposits, the college was at 947,000 at the end of January. The schedule of endowment funds is over 82,000 in total.

Dr. Ashley Aylett reported the most recent Academic Services report. Registration for Summer and Fall classes will open the last week of March for currently enrolled students. This gives the currently enrolled students an advantage to enroll in courses before they fill up. Full registration will open April 12 for all students. Dr. Aylett informed the combination of Automotive and Diesel programs into a single program starting in January 2022. Students will learn the skill sets of both making them more employable. Adult Education is in a WAGE pilot, a workforce development course. The Adult Education site in Foreman was closed due to the lack of interest. Numbers in Adult Education are down from last year due to COVID. Dr. Aylett mentioned the testing centers continue to be by appointment. Updated technology is being used to allow less contact between the proctor and the students, this allows the proctor to enter passwords from their stations. As of right now, 40% of our staff have received both COVID shots. Dr. Aylett concluded with information towards the CARES funding. A large portion will be used for student scholarships. The remaining portion will be used for institutional items.

Vice Chancellor Mike reported a Facilities update. The facilities department has met with vendors and contractors for quotes at the Lockesburg Middle School Building. The goal is to complete this project this summer to start using in Fall 2021. Ashdown campus is coming along with the transition of moving OTA into the main building. Facility remodeling is also taking place in there conjunction with this project. With the Title III grant received, the college is able to do some expansion to the ERC in Nashville.

Action Items:

No. 1 Approve the Minutes of January 4, 2021, Board of Visitors Meeting. Jimmy Tumey motioned for passage and Brenda Tate seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

No. 2 Review Academic Calendars for 2021-2022 Academic Year. Barbara Dixon motioned for approval. Jimmy Tumey seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

No. 3 Review Revised College Policy 115: Community Relations. Barbara Dixon motioned for passage and Jimmy Tumey seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

No. 4 Review Revised College Policy 306: Institutional Research Approval. Barbara Dixon motioned for passage and Jimmy Tumey seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

No. 5 Review Revised College Policy 512: Placement of Students. Jimmy Tumey motioned for passage and Brenda Tate seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

Chair Kathy Beavert asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Martinez made the motion and with a second from Jimmy Tumey, Chair Kathy Beavert adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tim Pinkerton, Secretary

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