

MINUTES OF MEETING  
COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF  
ARKANSAS BOARD OF VISITORS  
November 2, 2020

Chair Kathy Beavert called the regular meeting of the Board of Visitors to order at 12:16 p.m. following a light lunch meal at the UA Cossatot Bank of Lockesburg Gymnasium.

Present:       Angie Walker               Kathy Beavert               Dr. Glenn Lance           Tyler Davis  
                  Barbara Dixon               Tim Pinkerton               Brenda Tate

Absent:       Jimmy Tumey               Barbara Horn  
                  Robert Martinez

**Staff Reports**

Chancellor Cole reported to the board the continued precautions the college is taking towards COVID-19. COVID-19 has taken an impact towards the college's budget. The college cut a total of \$700,000 out of the \$11 million budget. Dr. Cole mentioned the college hopes to restore a few positions in January. The Vice Chancellor of Finance will soon indicate if funds are available to reward our employees with a 2% bonus for Christmas. The bonus will need to be approved by the UA Board of Trustees to make sure all UA schools are on the same page. Dr. Cole revealed in trying to find ways where the college can offer our employees counseling. As we keep going through COVID there's going to be a need that our people will need it at some time.

Dr. Ashley Aylett reported the latest COVID numbers on campus. Registration is now open for the Spring semester. The college started the VIP enrollment last week with a record of 501 students enrolled. Dr. Aylett persisted in hopes to hold a fall graduation. This would consist in splitting the graduations into five ceremonies and even possibly more. We will work in determining whom all plans to attend graduation. The college had the last Higher Learning Commission (HLC) visit on October 12. We had one on site visitor as well as one virtually. Meetings were set all throughout the day and the outcome went well. The Higher Learning Commission gave the college feedback in the improvements the college has made since their last visit in April. The HLC team's recommendations will go before the HLC IAC board and we will receive a letter of reaffirmation to move forward on a new pathway. Dr. Aylett mentioned the college received a Title III grant back in October. The Title III grant focuses on student success. The college will be able to add six additional tutors to be hired as well as hire a Placement Coordinator that will help students seek employment. Dr. Aylett then informed the board Coach Byrd (Athletic Director/Basketball Coach) has required all athletes to do a study hall in the ERC. The ERC also offers Open Educational Resources (OER) and we are over 50% OER meaning courses do not require a textbook and resources are found online.

Vice Chancellor Mike Kinkade reported the Lockesburg Middle School facility will be working to add four additional classrooms and a museum. SCM Architects will also assist with some renderings for our fundraising efforts for the Blue Darter Heritage campaign. The campaign is to raise funds for the Lockesburg campus in effort to put some work on the parking lot and new

lighting outside. The campaign will also provide 20% of the funds towards scholarship awards to students from the 71846. Bids are coming in to repair the roofs for the Middle School Building as well as the Diesel Repair Technology. Buildings and Grounds has also helped OTA move all equipment into the main Ashdown building. Mike also informed the HVAC project for the Leeper building has been completed along with other HVAC replacements on the various campuses. Pole banners were replaced on all three campuses.

Vice Chancellor Charlotte Johnson reported financials for the month of September. Compared to last September the college is down in revenues that is mainly tuition and fees. The fund balance at the end of September last year was at a 4.2, the college is doing good ending at 4.4 million this September.

The accounts receivables are down from where they were this time last year due to lower enrollment. In grants & other restricted programs, the college is at 3.3 million in total amount of grants. The Schedule of Bank accounts is at \$5 million this includes all funds. The General Revenue account is high due to not being able to send MNO expenses for reimbursement. The college earned a little over 940,000 in Certificate of Deposits. The schedule of endowment funds is over 82,000 in total endowment funds.

#### **Action Items:**

**No.1 Approve Minutes of September 14, 2020, Board Meeting.** Tyler Davis motioned for passage and Dr. Glenn Lance seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**No. 2 Review Revised College Policy 302: Budgetary Process.** Tyler Davis motioned for passage and Angie Walker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**No. 3 Review Revised College Policy 345: Fiscal Reports/Audits.** Angie Walker motioned for review. Dr. Glenn Lance seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0

**No. 4 Review Student Organization- Colt Crusaders.** Angie Walker made motion for review and the second was made by Tyler Davis. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**No. 5 Review IRB Form.** Angie Walker made motion to review and a second by Tim Pinkerton was made. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Chair Kathy Beavert asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Glenn Lance made the motion, Chair Kathy Beavert adjourned the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

Respectfully  
submitted,



Tim Pinkerton, Secretary