

MINUTES
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 10, 2025
5:00 pm, Regular Meeting
FGC Administration Building, Board Room

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the District Board of Trustees was called to order on April 10th, 2025 at 5:01 p.m. by Chairperson Lindsey Lander.

Board member Mr. Chuck Brannan was absent.

All votes were unanimous unless stated otherwise.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Lindsey Lander led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Audience of Any Citizen

There was no response.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Miguel Tepedino made a motion to approve the March 13, 2025 Board meeting minutes. Dr. James Surrency seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Student Government Report

Ms. Zamaria Granado, SGA President, began her report announcing the annual Spring Fling event on April 16th, at this event the SGA elections will be held. This semesters final Trivia Night will be held on April 17th. SGA will be celebrating Earth Day on April 22nd and 23rd, those who participate will receive a plant. A graduation cap decoration event will take place on April 29th and 30th.

VI. Presentation of Consent Agenda

- A. *Personnel Matters
- B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
- C. *Surplus Property
- D. *Approval of Course Changes
- E. *Approval of Program Changes
- F. *Approval of Revised Policy: 6Hx12:04-16, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

Dr. James Surrency made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items “A” through “F”. Mr. John Medina seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VII.

Academic Affairs

Mr. Kris Brady, Vice President of Academic Affairs, started his report by saying the Foundation was presented a \$5,000 check for the Nursing Department by HCA Florida Lake City Hospital.

He continued his report by noting, the Future Teachers Club hosted the Spring Book Fair with all proceeds going to local schools. Also, within the Teaching Program, they hosted a Literacy Night on April 2nd.

Vice President Brady went on to share updates in the Workforce Program. The Fire Program held four continuing education trainings for local agencies, offering them to use our burn building for simulated exercises. Three new SUVs were acquired for the Law Enforcement Program through a recently obtained grant. Renovations for the greenhouse and HVAC lab are underway.

Mr. Brady then introduced Dr. Michael Baker, Associate Professor to address the Board. Mr. Baker reviewed the study abroad trip in 2024 and shared about the possibilities of a 2026 trip. Lastly, he introduced Jillian “Jack” Klaus, who was accepted into Harleston’s Internship Program.

VIII.

Student Affairs and Public Information

Mr. Anthony Cardenas, Vice President of Student Affairs and Public Information, gave an update in the Athletics Department. Women’s Flag Football will be hosting the Sun Lakes Conference Tournament on April 26th on our campus. FSCAA also recognized London Jenkins and Kayla Ludwig as Players of the Week. London Jenkins and Alex Harris will represent the United States at the World Games in Chengdu, China this summer.

He then shared; Women’s Softball is on a six-game winning streak. Esports Gianni Tonetti finished his season playing Super Smash Bros. Ultimate, going undefeated 7-0, and the Valorant team are sitting undefeated 7-0. FGC Summer Camps are scheduled to begin on June 9th.

Mr. Anthony Cardenas ended his report stating the Spring Fling Career Fair and Transfer Day will be on Wednesday, April 16th.

IX.

Enrollment and Marketing

Ms. Kacey Mimbs, Vice President of Enrollment and Marketing, started her report by discussing an increase in enrollment for the summer semester. Enrollment has increased from 1,015 to 1,121 in headcount, a 10% increase and an increase in credit hours from 6,958 to 8,082, a 16% increase.

She then shared that, Senior Night was hosted on April 1st, with 25 seniors and their parents attending. BOT scholarships have been selected and are being presented to the award winners in their high schools.

Lastly, One Stop Enrollment will be held on April 17th, and Spring Graduation will be on May 8th at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM. She presented the new FGC website that launched on April 8th.

X. Business Services

Ms. Michelle Holloway, Vice President of Business Services requested Board consideration of the following items:

A. General Information

B. *Budget Amendment Number Eight (8) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Ms. Suzanne Norris made a motion to approve Budget Amendment Number Eight (8) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. *Budget Amendment Number Eight (8) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Ms. Renae Allen made a motion to approve Budget Amendment Number Eight (8) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Dr. Miguel Tepedino seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. President's Report

Dr. Barrett began his report by inviting Board members to the Nursing Pinning ceremony on May 7th and the Athletics award ceremony on April 24th.

President Barrett gave updates on new and ongoing projects on campus. New HVAC systems will be installed in the Howard Conference Center and Automotive Center upon legislative approval. The Howard Conference Center floor is almost complete. The Stem II building construction has been delayed due to a backlog for state approval on construction projects. The Tiny Home Village is awaiting infrastructure permits from the Suwannee River Water Management District.

We have received our DOGE requirements from the State of Florida, Michelle Holloway, Vice President of Business Services is our liaison and will be working on these requirements which are due by April 18th.

Dr. Barrett reminded Board members of Spring Graduation and Board meeting is May 8th, with graduation at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm, workshop at 3:00 pm, and meeting at 3:30 pm.

Lastly, he presented Trustees with a FGC "Top 30 High-Demand Careers Comparison" handout that highlights some of our top programs at the college.

XII. Topics for Future Meetings

Dr. Miguel Tepedino asked what they as a Board could do to better support Dr. Barrett and the institution.

XIII. Inspect Warrant Register

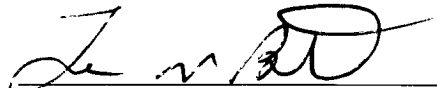
XIV. Set Time for the Next Meeting

**Date: May 8, 2025
Time: 3:00 / Workshop
3:30 pm / Regular Meeting
Location: Florida Gateway College Board Room
Administration Bldg. 1**

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm



Mr. Lindsey Lander, Chair



Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary