MINUTES
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 13, 2026
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 August 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson Lindsey Lander. Trustee Chip Parker was absent, as was President Barrett.

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. Board Annual Reorganization

In accordance with Florida Statute 1001.61(4), this meeting required the board to organize by selecting a chair and vice chair. There was previous discussion about Mr. Lindsey Lander being re-elected Chairperson and Ms. Renae Allen continuing to serve as Vice-Chairperson.

Dr. Jim Surrency nominated Mr. Lindsey Lander as Chairperson, Ms. Suzanne Norris seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ms. Suzanne Norris made a motion to elect Ms. Renae Allen as Vice-Chair, Mr. John Medina seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

* Mr. Chuck Brannan, Board of Trustee and State Representative presented the college with a $1,750,000 check from the State of Florida, resulting from this year's Legislative session for funds appropriated to help with several campus projects. He thanked Senator Bradley for all her help and hard work securing these funds.

V. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Chuck Brannan made a motion to approve the June 11, 2026 Board workshop & regular meeting minutes. Mr. John Medina seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VI. Student Government Report

Jasmine Phan, SGA President, introduced herself and provided a brief introduction of the SGA members. Ms. Phan then presented the Board with an overview of the activities and events planned for Welcome Week. Activities include Navigate for T-Shirts, Make-Your-Own Suncatchers, and Karaoke. She also noted that SGA will welcome students throughout the week by providing free lunches and offering various arts and crafts activities.

Additionally, Ms. Phan reported that SGA would be hosting the Engagement Fair event, allowing students to connect with faculty and staff as well as connect with the college through clubs and organizations.

Ms. Phan concluded her report announcing that SGA will be hosting a field trip to Ichetucknee Springs.

VII. Presentation of Consent Agenda

A. *Personnel Matters
B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
C. *Surplus Property
D. *Approval of New Policy: 6Hx12:09-42, Florida Residency for Tuition Purposes
E. *Approval of Foundation Donation/LSHA Building

Ms. Renae Allen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items "A" through "E". Ms. Suzanne Norris seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VIII. Academic Affairs

Dr. Kris Brady, Vice President of Academic Affairs, began his report by providing an update on the launch of the Baker Extension for the fall semester. He noted that Elizabeth Cobb will be teaching on-site at the high school, providing students with the opportunity to earn college credit. A classroom will also be designated as an FGC hub to provide students with information about the College and educate them on future educational opportunities.

Dr. Brady provided the Board with an update on NCLEX pass rates for the first and second quarters. He reported that FGC's Registered Nursing (RN) and Practical Nursing (PN) programs achieved pass rates above the state average during both quarters.

Dr. Brady also provided an update on Workforce programs. He reported that the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program achieved a 95% first-time pass rate during the spring semester, which compares favorably with the state and national average of 83%. Additionally, the spring Firefighter cohort achieved a 95% first-time pass rate.

Lastly, Dr. Brady requested approval on the following items:

B. *Approval of Course Changes

Dr. Jim Surrency made a motion to approve Item B. Approval of Course Changes. Ms. Sherrie Raulerson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

C. *Approval of New Courses

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve Item C. Approval of New Courses. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

D. *Approval of Program Changes

Ms. Suzanne Norris made a motion to approve Item D. Approval of Program Changes. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

E. *Approval of New Programs

Mr. Chuck Brannan made a motion to approve Item E. Approval of New Programs. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

F. *Approval of Foundation Donation/2005 Toyota Corolla

Ms. Sherrie Raulerson made a motion to approve Item F. Approval of Foundation Donation/2005 Toyota Corolla. Dr. Jim Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

*The family of Charles Tannachion, former FGC employee who unexpectedly passed away, was recognized and thanked by the college and Trustees.

X. Student Services

Ms. Kacey Mimbs, Vice President of Enrollment and Marketing, provided enrollment updates for the Fall semester. We currently have 2,823 students registered, compared to 2,899 at the same point last year, a slight decrease of 2.6%. Credit hours also experienced a slight drop of 2.9%, at 27,578 credit hours compared to 28,408 credit hours last year.

Vice President Mimbs, announced that Residence Life move-in was held that day, with 74 students now residing on campus. She thanked Brandy Dean, Amy Dekle, and Pashen Williams for their excellent work throughout the summer and for ensuring everything was prepared to welcome students back to campus. She added that a student mixer would be held that evening, followed by orientation the next morning in preparation for the start of classes on Monday.

Ms. Mimbs announced an accomplishment for the Student Government Association (SGA). The American Student Government Association named FGC's SGA the Student Government of the Month for July 2026.

Ms. Mimbs continued with updates from her area, including summer commencement. The ceremony was originally scheduled for August 6, with 87 students registered to participate. However, due to severe weather and a campus power outage, the ceremony was postponed. The commencement ceremony was held on August 8, with 44 graduates participating. She thanked the faculty and staff for adjusting their plans and attending the ceremony on Saturday to support the graduates.

Ms. Mimbs announced that FGC was designated as a Florida Collegiate Purple Star Campus in recognition of the College's support of veterans, military students, and their families. She noted that the recently established Student Veterans Club and priority registration for veterans contributed to the College receiving the designation.

Ms. Mimbs also reported that the College recently partnered with Catholic Charities and the Florida Gateway Food Bank to provide more consistent access to a food pantry on campus. The initiative, branded as Wolf Pantry, provides designated pantry days throughout the month while continuing to allow students to receive immediate assistance when needed.

Lastly, Ms. Mimbs presented a video produced by the Audiovisual team highlighting FGC's events, accomplishments, and work throughout the past year.

XI. Business Services

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

A. General Information

B. *Budget Amendment Number One (1) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Dr. Jim Surrency made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number One (1) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously

C. * Budget Amendment Number One (1) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Ms. Suzanne Norris made a motion to approve Budget Amendment Number One (1) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpended Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Ms. Sherrie Raulerson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XII. President's Report

Dr. Barrett was unable to attend this meeting, there was no report.

XIV. Topics for Future Meetings

XV. **Inspect Warrant Register**

XVI. **Set Time for the Next Meeting**

September 10, 2026
Time: 5:00 pm Regular Meeting
Location Regular meeting: Florida Gateway College Board Room
Administration Bldg. 1

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm

Mr. Lindsey Lander, Chair

Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary