MINUTES FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 11, 2024 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 January 11, 2024 at 5:01 p.m. by Chairperson David Crawford.

Trustee Kathryn McInnis was absent.

All votes were unanimous unless stated otherwise.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Renae Allen led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Audience of Any Citizen

There were no citizen's that elected to speak.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the November 9, 2023 Board meeting minutes. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Student Government Report

Ms. Zamaria Granado, SGA President updated Board members on recent events. SGA provided three student families with canned goods and funds to purchase turkeys for Thanksgiving and helped a student's family with toys for Christmas. SGA hosted Welcome Back activities on January 10, 2024. They are currently planning Spirit and Alumni week which will be held at the end of February.

VI. Presentation of Consent Agenda

- A. *Personnel Matters
- B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
- C. *Surplus Property
- D. *Approval of New Courses
- E. *Annual Course Continuations
- F. *Annual Course Deletions

Dr. Jim Surrency made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items "A" through "F". Mr. Lindsey Lander seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VII.

Academic Affairs

Dr. Paula Gavin, Vice President of Academic Affairs started her report by giving an update as to several programs. There has been an increased interest in our fire program by students and industry partners for the spring semester, as five departments have currently committed to send or sponsor students to our program which include Alachua County Fire Rescue, Dixie County Fire Rescue, Suwannee County Fire Rescue, Bradford County Fire Rescue, and Levy County Fire Rescue. The Department of Corrections is sending us two full classes for January with a total of 53 students. The Lake City Fire Department has donated fourteen Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus systems for our fire recruits for hands on training. During the summer and fall semesters, Avery and Twyla Roberts's School of Public Service hosted 8 continuing education courses for local law enforcement and correctional officers. Our Brain Bowl team will compete at Santa Fe College on January 19th-20th.

The proposal for the B.S. in Business Administration was submitted for state review and we hope to know their decision by April. The prospectuses for B.S.B.A and A.S. in Fire Science were submitted to SACS with a projected start date Fall 2024. Lastly, CAPTE has reversed its decision from withholding accreditation to awarding accreditation for our PTA program.

At the conclusion of Dr. Gavin's report, Dr. Barrett thanked Dr. Paula Gavin-Jewett, Vice President of Academic Affairs for her years of service and hard work at the college. Mr. Crawford also thanked VP Gavin-Jewitt for her service to the college. Dr. Gavin-Jewitt will be retiring from FGC later this month.

VIII.

Student Affairs and Public Information

Mr. Anthony Cardenas, Vice President of Student Affairs and Public Information started his report by saying that Allyson Beatty will be our first Transfer and Career Services Advisor. Our TRIO program recently submitted the results for the 2022-23 annual progress report and met all of our objectives for this year.

He continued his report by stating our athletic programs have excelled both on and off the field during the Fall semester, having four student-athletes who achieved a 4.0 GPA. Our men's cross-country and women's softball teams had a team GPA of 3.09 and 3.07, respectively. This Saturday at 2:00 pm is our men's first basketball game of the new year. On January 27th at 1:00 pm we have our first regular season softball game. FGC will be hosting a campus blood drive on February 5th.

IX.

Enrollment and Marketing

Ms. Kacey Schrader, Dean of Enrollment and Marketing, reported Spring enrollment numbers. Currently, the College is down 1.3% in headcount at 2,585 students compared to 2,621 students this time last year. However, the College is up 36 credit hours compared to the same time last year. The Fall graduation ceremony was held on December 14th with 140 students participating, with an overall total of 340 students graduating.

Ms. Schrader stated Financial Aid is working on new changes required by the FAFSA simplification act, this act required an overhaul of the FAFSA form. With these changes we have updated some of our policies and procedures required to participate in Title IV aid.

Ms. Schrader ended her report by thanking Anthony Free for his 30 years of service to the college in the audiovisual department. He has been critical to many events, meetings, and performances. He will be retiring at the end of the month.

X. Business Services

A. General Information

VP Holloway updated Board members on upcoming projects around campus. The roadway between building 001 and the Howard Conference Center will be reopened. Using the Deferred Maintenance Fund, we will be resurfacing several parking lots and updating campus security cameras.

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

B. * Budget Amendment Number Five (5) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Dr. Miguel Tepedino made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Five (5) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Ms. Suzanne Norris seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. * Budget Amendment Number Five (5) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal year 2023-2024

Ms. Suzanne Norris made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Five (5) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected plant fund (Fund 7) Budget Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. President's Report

A. General Information

Dr. Barrett began his report by updating Board members on ongoing projects on campus. The roofs at the old Boy's Club facility and on building 002 at the Olustee campus are completed. The Levy Performing Arts Center renovation is close to being complete. He thanked our legislators for their continued support of FGC and the Charter School.

Dr. Barrett introduced Dr. Christy Noe, President/CEO of Collaborative Educational Network, Inc. Dr. Noe gave a project update on the Florida Gateway Collegiate Academy (Proposed Charter High School) application. She went over the application process and is

working on a submission date of April 2024; this application would be presented to Board members at the March 2024 meeting for approval. This school would be built on the FGC campus with anticipated enrollment of 300 students in grades 9-12. Approximately half of the students would be taking high school courses from FGCA teachers and half taking Dual Enrollment Courses through FGC. She noted that the current FGC Board of Trustees would be the governing Board for this school. Several Board members had questions about what this would entail for them, School District or College Sponsor's, what districts this school would serve and what she as the consultant would assist with. After a discussion around this it was recommended that a Board Workshop be held to address these concerns.

After a brief discussion it was suggested that the March 14, 2024 Board Meeting be moved from Baker County to the Florida Gateway College campus and a Board Workshop be held from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm before the regular scheduled meeting at 5:00 pm.

Mr. Lindsey Lander made a motion to move the March 14, 2024 Board Meeting from Baker County to Florida Gateway College and have a Board Workshop from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm before the regular meeting at 5:00 pm Mr. John Medina seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XIII. Topics for Future Meetings

XIV. Inspect Warrant Register

XV. Set Time for the Next Meeting

February 8, 2024
5:00 pm Regular Meeting
Location Regular meeting: Dixie County Public Library
16328 SE Highway 19
Cross City, FL 32628

Dr. Miguel Tepedino made a motion to adjourn. Mr. John Medina seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm

Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary