

**BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES  
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

FGC Board Room

Building 001

June 13, 2024

***Board of Trustees Present:***

In Person: Ms. Renae Allen, Dr. Jim Surrency, Ms. Suzanne Norris, Mr. John Medina, Mr. David Crawford, Mr. Lindsey Lander and Board Attorney Meagan Logan

***Board of Trustees absent:*** Ms. Kathryn McInnis, Mr. Chuck Brannan and Dr. Miguel Tepedino

**Welcome**

Board Chair Mr. David Crawford called the workshop to order at 4:05 pm.

**2024-2025 College Budget Presentation**

Dr. Barrett spoke briefly about the state of the college to help communicate how this will affect the budget for the future. We have hired a new VP of Academic Affairs, Dr. Kathleen Ciez-Volz, she will start on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

President Barrett spoke about the budget that was signed yesterday by the Governor and how it will affect the college's budget, future projects and health insurance. He then invited Vice President Holloway to review the college's 2024-2025 budget. The discussion included the budget highlights, which again contains no increase in tuition and fees and a 4% raise for full-time faculty and staff.

**Charter School Update**

Dr. Barrett stated there was no new update, the Charter School application is almost complete with the exception of the section regarding governance, as we seek to obtain additional clarification regarding possible governance board options.

**Ethics Forms**

Dr. Barrett made Trustees aware that from now on all forms and communications from the State of Florida Commission on Ethics will be electronic only.

**STEM Project Update**

Dr. Barrett gave an update on the STEM II building. As the opening bid came in \$1.9 million over budget, we are currently working with the architect to redesign and make changes to stay within budget. One suggestion is to finish the first floor while leaving the second floor unfinished until funds are secured. Trustee Norris suggested the Foundation for FGC to have a capital campaign to help raise funds to complete this building.

**Graduation Participation**

Dr. Barrett reminded Board members of our upcoming Summer 2024 graduation that will be held on August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

**Board Comments/Additions**

Dr. Barrett and the Board discussed current challenges and opportunities.


**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 4:42 pm.


**Items provided to the Board at the Workshop:**

Board Study Session Agenda

Budget PowerPoint Presentation



Lindsey Lander, Board Chair



Lawrence Barrett, Secretary