BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FGC Board Room Building 001 June 12, 2025

Board of Trustees Present:

In Person: Mr. Lindsey Lander, Ms. Suzanne Norris, Dr. Jim Surrency, Mr. John Medina, Mr. Chuck Brannan, Dr. Miguel Tepedino and Board Attorney Meagan Logan

Board of Trustees absent: Ms. Renae Allen

Welcome

Chairperson Lindsey Lander called the workshop to order at 4:00 pm and lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then invited President Lawrence Barrett to begin.

Dr. Barrett welcomed Trustees to the meeting and stated that Vice President Holloway is serving as the college's DOGE point of contact, and has been working on completing their requests.

2025-2026 College Budget Presentation

Vice President Holloway presented the proposed new budget. This year focus on three top priorities, investing in our students, investing in our campus and investing in our talent. The discussion included the budget highlights, which again contained no increase in tuition and fees, salary changes, a 3% raise for full-time faculty and staff, and fund balance.

Cassie Buckles, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, went over proposed starting salary increases for the lowest three pay brackets. She proposed an increase for nursing hourly rates by 12% and adjunct and overload pay increases.

Trustees had a brief discussion on the proposed budget.

Strategic Plan

Dr. Barrett reviewed the proposed Strategic Plan Executive Summary. This plan is in its final stages and will be brought to Board members for a vote at the August meeting.

Board Reorganization

Ms. Meagan Logan reviewed the Board positions. There were no objections.

Board Comments/Additions

Mr. John Medina requested further information on AI and how it can be used at the college.

Ms. Norris asked how many of our dual enrollment students are completing their degrees here after high school. Vice President Kacey Mimbs stated we had 235 high school seniors enrolled in Dual Enrollment with 74 of those seniors that graduated with their AS or AA degree in Spring 2025. 75 of those students have enrolled in Summer or Fall classes.

Mr. Brannan inquired about what schools these students are predominantly coming from Charter Schools or Homeschooling.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Items provided to the Board at the Workshop:

Board Study Session Agenda Budget PowerPoint Presentation Proposed Strategic Plan Executive Summary

Lindsey Lander, Board Chair

Lawrence Barrett, Secretary

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