

MINUTES
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 8, 2025
3:30 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 May 8, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. by Chairperson Lindsey Lander.

Board Member Ms. Suzanne Norris was absent. Board member Dr. Miguel Tepedino was tardy, he arrived after the Consent Agenda and did not participate in the former votes.

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

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the April 10, 2025 Board meeting minutes. Dr. James Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Student Government Report

There was no report.

VI. Presentation of Consent Agenda

- A. *Personnel Matters
- B. *Routine Contracts and Agreements
- C. *Surplus Property
- D. *Approval of Write-Off of Uncollectible Accounts FY 2024-25
- E. *Approval of First Federal Credit Card Approval
- F. *Approval of Course Changes
- G. *Approval of Program Changes
- H. *Approval of Deleted Courses
- I. *Approval of Foundation Donation

Dr. Jim Surrency made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items "A" through "I". Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VII.

Academic Affairs

Dr. Kris Brady, Vice President of Academic Affairs, began his report by giving a special thanks to Lisa Co, Assistant Professor of Art, and Denise Gross, Professor of Digital Media and Graphic Design for completing their spring 2025 Student Art Show.

He then gave updates in the Nursing and Education programs. The Nurses Pinning Ceremony had 41 students attend, and they are preparing for their licensure exams. The Future Teacher Club, led by Allyson Czarnecki, Professor and Coordinator of AA Education, visited Five Points Elementary to celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week.

Three students from the HVAC program competed at the Florida SkillsUSA Competition. Kayleigh Skeen received 1st for Secondary competition, David McCaskill placed 1st in postsecondary and Andrew Bennett finished 2nd in postsecondary.

Dr. Kris Brady then shared a story of an EMT student who saved a patient's life after using the knowledge he gained from his courses at FGC.

Lastly, he gave updates on a couple of projects. The greenhouses and HVAC lab are continuing in progress. The Perkins Grant is completed and ready to be submitted thanks to Dr. Brandon McIntire, Associate Dean of E-learning, and Elizabeth Rogers, Director of E-learning.

VIII.

Student Affairs and Public Information

Mr. Tony Cardenas, Vice President of Student Affairs and Public Information, updated Board members on events in his area. The FGC Women's Flag Football team won their third National Championship in a row, and Coach Ricky Hufty earned Coach of the Year, three years consecutively. Tremesha Harris was also named the Final Tournament's MVP. He went on to say that softball made it to the District 8 semifinals, where they played Lake-Sumter State College, and Esports placed as the National Runners-Up in Valorant with a final record of 11-1.

Mr. Cardenas proceeded to give updates in other areas; summer camp enrollment is up by 10% compared to last year, with a few spots remaining in Art, STEM, and Esports. Testing and Accessibility Services administered 54 Civic Literacy exams marking the largest single-day for Civic Literacy tests on campus.

Lastly, Vice President Cardenas gave stats on the Public Information Office issuing seven press releases this month, which were shared with the Lake City Reporter and Channel 20.

IX.

Enrollment and Marketing

Ms. Kacey Mimbs, Vice President of Enrollment and Marketing, provided updates in her area. Summer enrollment is down 2.4% in headcount, with 1,649 students compared to 1,689 students from last year. Credit hours are up by 4% at 11,955 compared to 11,498 from last year.

Spring Graduation had around 200 students walk with Student speaker Kelly Gracie White, who delivered a speech about a rare genetic disease she was born with and treated for on the anniversary of May 8th, the same day as graduation.

Ms. Mimbs concluded her report by saying the Florida Sportsman magazine's May issue included a feature on Florida Gateway College. The article showcased the bass fishing team and its team coach, Bryson O-Steen.

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 Nine (9) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Mr. Chuck Brannan made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Nine (9) Restricted Current Fund (Fund 2) Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Dr. Miguel Tepedino seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. * Budget Amendment Number Nine (9) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected Plant Fund (7) Budget Fiscal year 2024-2025

Mr. John Medina made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Number Nine (9) Capital Outlay Plan for Unexpected plant fund (Fund 7) Budget Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Dr. James Surrency seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

D. * Approval of the Florida College System Capital Improvement Plan and Legislative Budget Request FY 2026-2027 through FY 2028-2029

Dr. Miguel Tepedino made a motion to approve the Florida College System Capital Improvement Plan and Legislative Budget Request FY 2026-2027 through FY 2028-2029. Ms. Renae Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. President's Report

Dr. Barrett began his report announcing the Commissioner's Summit happening early June. Vice Chair Ms. Renae Allen has volunteered and will be attending.

The following week Dr. Barrett will be visiting Texas to review cases on community college and four-year degree programs as part of the SACS Trustee Leadership.

B. *2024-2025 Presidential Evaluation Results {M. Logan}

Ms. Logan discussed the results of the Presidential Evaluation. Dr. Barrett received almost all 5 ratings with the exception of two categories receiving an overall 4.8 rating.

XIII. Topics for Future Meetings

XIV. Inspect Warrant Register

XV. Set Time for the Next Meeting

June 12, 2025

Time: 4:00 pm/ Workshop

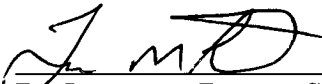
Regular Meeting to follow immediately after Workshop

Location Workshop & Regular meeting: Florida Gateway College Board Room
Administration Bldg. 1

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm



Mr. Lindsey Lander, Chair



Dr. Lawrence Barrett, Secretary