

Hudson Valley Community College

80 Vandenburg Avenue, Troy, New York 12180

MINUTES

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College was held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 via remote meeting and live streamed for the public on the college's website at www.hvcc.edu.

PRESENT

Neil J. Kelleher, Chairman
 Judith Breselor
 Philip J. Danaher
 William Fagan
 Flora Fasoldt
 Thomas P. Grant
 Reese A. Harrison
 William C. Jennings
 Wayne Pratt
 Brian Zweig

EXCUSED

none

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Roger A. Ramsammy, President
 George J. Raneri, Secretary to the Board
 Suzanne Kalkbrenner, Assistant Secretary

J. Ashdown	E. Hatter	K. Petley
G. Baez	P. Hill	R. Pinke
J. Bourdeau	D. Kennedy	K. Petley
D. Christian	E. Kiel	P. Schaefer
L. Coplin	P. Klimkewicz	A Thomas
A. Courter	R. LaGatta	R. Wilson
J. DiLorenzo	L. Marion	
S. Ely	K. Paquette	

Before the meeting began, Chairman Kelleher welcomed Flora Fasoldt, who has been appointed by the Governor to the Board of Trustees.

Chairman Kelleher called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Dr. Jennings, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

MINUTES

Resolved, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on February 23, 2021, be and hereby are, approved.

Upon a motion by Ms. Breselor, seconded by Mr. Fagan, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

**CURRICULUM
CHANGES**

Resolved, that the following curriculum changes, as recommended by the Academic Senate and the President, be, and hereby are, approved:

A. SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

1. Health, Physical Education & Exercise Studies

New Course:

Fitness Infusion – PHED – 161

Currently there is no course that allows students to experience some of the newer trends in the fitness and exercise field all within one class. The course will allow

the addition of beneficial activities to the curriculum in order to expose the student body to pursuits they may not have otherwise tried or been exposed to. The introduction of new or different fitness modalities also will present increased opportunities for the students to improve their own personal health benefits as well as offer our majors increased exposure to trends they may find themselves engaging in as professionals.

Change to Existing Course:

Health and Wellness Promotion – HLTH - 170

Reintroduction of course after 7 semester Hiatus with no changes.

2. Cardiorespiratory & Emergency Medicine

Change to Existing Course:

Human Anatomy & Physiology– RESP - 110

Change in pre-requisite(s):

Current: Pre-requisite(s): BIOL 139 Anatomy & Physiology for Respiratory Care Students with a final grade of “C” or better.

Change To: Pre-requisite(s): BIOL 139 Anatomy & Physiology for Respiratory Care Students OR BIOL 271 Anatomy & Physiology II with a final grade of “C” or better.

Change to Existing Program/Certificate:

Community & Public Health, A.S.

Change in Program Title:

When originally submitted to SUNY for approval as a new program, we met all the requirements of an A.S. degree except for having at least two articulation agreements. We now have the required articulation agreements with SUNY Albany and SUNY Potsdam. We have also been approached by Cortland and Plattsburgh.

Community & Public Health Certificate

Change in Program Title for Certificate.

B. SCHOOL OF STEM

1. Biology, Chemistry and Physics

New Courses:

Neuroanatomy & Neurophysiology – BIOL - 295

This course will serve as a 4 credit science elective for students in the Biological Sciences, Biotechnology Certificate Program and Humanities and Social Science Program in the Psychology track. The Biological Science A.S. and Biotechnology programs require 8 credits of biology science electives. The psychology track requires 3-6 credits of science electives. We currently do not offer a course of this discipline at HVCC. Students in the BCP department and on the psychology track will benefit from the opportunity to explore the nervous system in depth, assess scientific literature at a higher level and perform wet labs utilizing molecular techniques. This 4 credit elective lab course will transfer as a science elective to any number of science and liberal arts programs.

Additionally, the Neuroanatomy and Neurophysiology/Neuroscience course with lab is a requirement for Doctor of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy BS/MS and pharmacology students. This course could draw a new population of

students to HVCC. HVCC currently has formal articulation agreements with a number of local institutions which require a neuroscience course as part of their core curriculum: SUNY Albany (minor in Neuroscience); SUNY Buffalo (Occupational Therapy BS/MS); Russell Sage College (Doctor of Physical Therapy), Albany School of Pharmacy (Pharm D) and Maria College (Health and Occupation Sciences BS).

The Greenhouse Environment – BIOL – 155

The Greenhouse Environment will become one of a series of courses as part of a new program in the Plant Sciences for students at HVCC. This course will provide practical knowledge of plant growth under controlled environment conditions and allow students to develop key skills in greenhouse plant production practices.

Introduction to Plant Biology – BIOL – 160

This course is designed to provide students with a foundation in Plant Science and prepare them for Plant Tissue Culture and Biotechnology. In Summer 2021, Introduction to Plant Biology will be offered as part of Biological Sciences Program. This will be a new course for BCP with emphasis on factors that affect plant growth and plant genetics. Students who would like to pursue a degree in Plant Sciences/Biological Sciences can opt to take this course as an elective. This course will broaden the opportunities for our students who are in Biological Sciences by giving them an additional career path in Plant Sciences.

C. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & LIBERAL ARTS

1. Education & Social Sciences

New Courses:

Current Issues in Politics – POLS - 215

This course is intended to provide students with an opportunity to examine and critically assess a major current political issue. By choosing contemporary issues of exceptionally broad scope, students will learn the relevance of these issues to their lives and be both informed and prepared to engage and participate in politically-meaningful ways.

American Revolution – HIST - 201

This course recognizes the vital role Upstate New York and the Capital Region in particular played in the war that helped establish the modern United States and the interest among students and the public in this conflict and our area's role in it. In addition, contemporary political debates have rekindled interest in the nation's founding and establishment and the legacy of the Revolution in many aspects of our lives today, such as economics, elections, race relations, rights, oppression, and the legitimacy of protest as a vehicle for political change. This course would also help prepare students for service learning/internship opportunities with sites associated with this period.

2. Business, Computer Science, & Criminal Justice

New Course:

Criminal Justice Reform – CRJS – 275

This course provides students specialized knowledge in the challenges and issues with the current system design, and assist with the development of critical thinking skills to assess the disconnect between theory, policy, and politics.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Dr. Jennings, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

**FACULTY STUDENT
ASSOCIATION (FSA)
OPERATING
BUDGET, FY 2021-2022**

Resolved, that the request to approve the Faculty Student Association's operating budget for fiscal year 2021-2022, totaling \$ 7,107,714 in revenues and and \$ 7,102,375 in expenditures, as approved by the Faculty Student Association Board of Directors on March 1, 2021, be, and hereby is, approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following information items were noted:

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ITEMS**

A. PART-TIME CLASSIFIED/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

1. Facilities

Michael Gardner, Senior Stationary Engineer,
Facilities,
p/t appt., eff. 3/16/21

\$33.6038/hr

B. RESIGNATION

1. Laura Cullen, Technical Assistant. Marketing, eff. 3/26/2021

C. RETIREMENT

1. Gary Einarsson, Stationary Engineer, Facilities, eff. 3/19/2021

D. HVCC MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Operating Budget Summary as of 2/28/2021
2. Capital Expenditures, February 2021 and cumulative

APRIL MEETING

The next monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Upon a motion by Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Grant, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT


Suzanne Kalkbrenner
Assistant Secretary to the Board