

Hudson Valley Community College

80 Vandenberg Avenue, Troy, New York 12180

MINUTES

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, on the college campus, 80 Vandenberg Avenue, Troy, New York; 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
Ryan Connors
Philip J. Danaher
William Fagan
Flora Fasoldt
Thomas P. Grant
William C. Jennings
Jacqueline McDonough
Wayne Pratt

EXCUSED

none

ALSO PRESENT

Louis Coplin, Officer-in-Charge
George J. Raneri, Secretary of the Board
Excused: Suzanna Calkins
G. Ambriz
J. Ashdown
H. Bagshaw
K. Better
T. Bockett
J. Bourgeois (remote)
C. Campana
D. Christian
A. Clark
A. Collins Schroeder
A. Cooper
T. Conway
J. Dana
J. Deitchman
J. DiLorenzo
J. Dorrough
E. Dwyer
D. Ely
S. Esart-Zapp
C. Ferris
H. Hassib
B. Hathaway
W. Jojo
D. Kennedy
T. Kessel
P. Klimkewicz
I. LaChance
C. Lensink
D. Martin
D. McGreevy (remote)
A. Novak
M. Pendergast

K. Petley
A. Podlaski
M. Reynolds (remote)
D. Richey
H. Rodriguez
A. Roberts
L. Robichaud
G. Sausville
D. Shoemaker
A. Shulkin
R. Thibodeau
R. Whitaker
R. Wilson
L. White
E. Yanoff

Chairman Kelleher welcomed everyone to the February Board meeting. He called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Upon a motion by Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Danaher, the Board voted unanimously to amend the January 28, 2025 minutes to correct a typographical error.

**AMENDING THE
MINUTES**

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

MINUTES

Resolved, that the minutes as amended, of the monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on January 28, 2025, be and hereby are, approved.

Upon a motion by Mr. Fagan, seconded by Mr. Grant, the Board voted unanimously to table the request to approve a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department Chairpersons Association (DC Association) for a collective bargaining successor agreement for the period September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2029.

**TABLED--DC
SUCCESSOR
AGREEMENT**

Upon a motion by Mr. Grant, seconded by Mr. Danaher, the Board voted unanimously to table the request to approve a Memorandum of Agreement with the Non-Teaching Professionals Organization (NTPO) for a collective bargaining successor agreement for the period September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2030.

**TABLED--NTPO
SUCCESSOR
AGREEMENT**

Upon a motion by Mr. Danaher, seconded by Ms. Breselor, the Board voted unanimously to amend the salary amount in the agenda item to appoint an Interim Executive Dean for Workforce, Community and High School Partnerships.

**AMENDING THE
AGENDA**

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

Resolved, that the request for the appointment of Deborah Shor as Interim Executive Dean for Workforce, Community and High School Partnerships, at an annual salary of \$135,000, be and hereby is, approved.

**APPOINTMENT OF
INTERIM
EXECUTIVE DEAN
FOR WORKFORCE,
COMMUNITY &
HIGH SCHOOL
PARTNERSHIPS**

Upon a motion by Mr. Danaher, seconded by Ms. Breselor, the Board voted unanimously to amend the salary amount in the agenda item to appoint an Interim Dean for the Learning Commons.

**AMENDING THE
AGENDA**

Upon a motion by Mr. Danaher, seconded by Ms. Fasoldt, the following amended resolution was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, that the request for the appointment of Marcy Pendergast as Interim Dean for the Learning Commons, at an annual salary of \$100,000, be and hereby is, approved.

**APPOINTMENT OF
INTERIM DEAN FOR
THE LEARNING
COMMONS**

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

**HVCC FOUNDATION:
APPOINTMENT OF
OFFICERS**

Resolved, that the request for approval of officer appointments to the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation Board of Directors, as recommended by the Foundation Board of Directors on January 22, 2025, be and hereby is, approved, as follows:

The officers of the Foundation Board of Directors for a term from February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2026 are:

- Frank Sarratori, Chairperson
- Cory Martin '97, 1st Vice Chairperson
- April Clas, 2nd Vice Chairperson
- Laura Siracuse, Treasurer
- Leslie King, Secretary
- Kelly Klopfer, 2nd Secretary
- Gordon Zuckerman '62, Immediate Past Chair
- Derek Martin, Executive Director

Upon a motion by Mr. Danaher, seconded by Ms. Fasoldt, the following resolution was adopted, with Mr. Pratt abstaining.

**ATEC—AMENDING
AWARD OF
CONTRACT**

Resolved, that the request to for the award of contract for the capital project entitled “Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II,” be and hereby is approved, as follows:

WHEREAS, the College has engaged in a \$85 million Capital Project to construct a new 130,000 sq. ft. building, the Applied Technology Education Center (ATEC); and

WHEREAS, the project will support the College's growing programs within STEM, including: automotive technology services, electrical construction and maintenance, heating/air conditioning/refrigeration technical services, and welding; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College, at their meeting of August 22, 2023, approved the capital project entitled Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II at a cost of \$53.5 million; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature, via Resolution G/358/23, approved the project entitled "Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II at a cost of \$53.5 million, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College, at their meeting of November 26, 2024 approved contract awards for Capital Construction – Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II, pending the project's full funding award announcement from New York State, which included an award of contract for General Construction to Bunkoff General Contractors in the amount of \$22,920,000.00 and

WHEREAS, the Rensselaer County Legislature, via Resolution G/527/24, approved contract awards for Capital Construction – Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II, pending the project's full funding award announcement from New York State; and

WHEREAS, it was subsequently discovered that a typographical error had occurred and the amount of the award to Bunkoff General Contractors recorded in the bid summaries was \$27,920,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hudson Valley Community College Board of Trustees approves the amendment of the contract award for General Construction to Bunkoff General Contractors in the amount of \$27,920,000, as recorded in the bid summaries, for the project entitled, “Applied Technology Education Center (ATEC) Phase II”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be forwarded to the Rensselaer County Legislature for their further action.

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

**ATEC—
AWARD OF
CONTRACTS**

WHEREAS, the College has engaged in a \$85 million Capital Project to construct a new 130,000 sq. ft. building, the Applied Technology Education Center (ATEC); and

WHEREAS, the project will support the College's growing programs within STEM, including: automotive technology services, electrical construction and maintenance, heating/air conditioning/refrigeration technical services, and welding, among others; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College, at their meeting of August 22, 2023, approved the capital project entitled “Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II at a cost of \$53.5 million; and

WHEREAS, the Rensselaer County Legislature, via Resolution G/358/23, approved the project entitled "Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II at a cost of \$53.5 million; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Hudson Valley Community College, approves the contract awards for the capital project entitled, “Applied Technologies Education Center (ATEC) Phase II” as follows:

- Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Services to Barber Engineering in the amount of \$9,000
- ATEC Project Commissioning Services to Labella in the amount of \$97,300
- Project Special Inspection Services to Atlantic Testing Laboratories in the amount of \$39,159

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following information items were noted:

INFORMATION ITEMS

A. FULL TIME FACULTY

B. FULL TIME FACULTY

1. Academic Affairs

Peter Rieseler, Electronic Resource Management Librarian,
Marvin Library Learning Commons,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 2/3/25

\$52,000/yr

2. School of STEM

Ebaan Bookay, Instructor,
Applied Technologies,
f/t temp. appt., eff. 2/3/25 to 5/19/25

\$52,000/yr

C. FULL TIME NON-TEACHING PROFESSIONALS

1. Academic Affairs

Erin Grace Dwyer, Operations Support Assistant,
Academic Affairs,
f/t appt., eff. 2/3/25

\$68,000/yr

2. Educational Opportunity Center

Jonathan Delaney, Counselor,
EOC Instructional Services,
f/t appt., eff. 2/20/25 or thereafter

\$47,000/yr

2. Student Affairs

Gary Broadhurst Jr., Counselor,
Admissions Office,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 2/17/25 or thereafter

\$42,000/yr

Lauren Gallo, Manager of Student Services,
Student Affairs, HVCC North,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 1/23/25 or thereafter \$66,000/yr

Carrie Gratton, Technical Assistant,
Registrar's Office,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 3.3.25 \$40,000/yr

Summer McLain, Technical Assistant,
Registrar's Office,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 3/18/25 or thereafter \$40,000/yr

D. FULL TIME CLASSIFIED/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

1. Administration and Finance

Sam Ballout, Campus Security Officer,
Public Safety and Security,
f/t prov. appt., eff. 1/16/25 or thereafter \$21.26/hr

Timothy Brandow, Custodial Worker,
Facilities,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 1/16/25 or thereafter \$17.55/hr

David Fowler, Custodial Worker,
Facilities,
f/t prob. appt., eff. 1/16/25 or thereafter \$17.55/hr

2. Student Affairs

Hadassah Robbins, Program Assistant,
Center for Access and Assistive Technology,
f/t prov. appt., eff. 2/1/25 or thereafter \$22.50/hr

E. PART TIME FACULTY

1. Academic Affairs

Morgan Telesky, Adjunct Instructor,
Workforce Development and Community Education,
p/t appt., eff. 3/8/25 \$75.00/hr

F. PART TIME CLASSIFIED/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

1. School of STEM

Mohamed Khalafalla, Laboratory Assistant,
Engineering and Architecture,
p/t prob. appt., eff. 2/6/25 or thereafter \$23.90/hr

G. RESIGNATIONS

1. Catherine Almeida, Communications Specialist, eff. 2/21/25
2. Daniella Charzuk, Program Assistant Academics II, Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Digital Media, eff. 2/28/25
3. Sheila Doyle, Program Assistant I, Human Services and Chemical Dependency, eff. 1/24/25
4. Lisa Mattes, Technical Assistant, EOC Office of the Executive Director, eff. 2/26/25

F. HVCC MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Operating Budget Summary as of 1/31/25
2. Capital Expenditures, January 2025 and cumulative

G. FACULTY STUDENT ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. FSA Financial Reports, period ending 1/31/25

MARCH MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025.

MARCH MEETING

Upon a motion by Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Danaher, an executive session was called at 5:36 p.m. for the purposes of discussion of a personnel matter. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion by Mr. Fagan, seconded by Ms. Breselor, the executive session was ended at 6:32 p.m. and Chairman Kelleher re-opened the meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Grant, seconded by Ms. McDonough, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Suzanne Kalkbrenner
Assistant Secretary to the Board

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