

Clark College
Minutes of the Board of Trustees Retreat
August 15, 2022
Columbia Tech Center
Room 144

In Attendance

Jeanne Bennett, Chair
Paul Speer, Vice Chair
Cristhian Canseco Juarez, Trustee
Denise Gideon, Trustee

Zoom

Rekah Strong, Trustee

Administrators

Dr. Karin Edwards, President
Sabra Sand, Interim Executive Vice President of Operations
Dr. Michele Cruse, Vice President of Student Affairs
Paul Wickline, Vice President of Instruction
Brad Avakian, Vice President of Human Resources
Dr. Rashida Willard, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Vanessa Neal, Interim Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Calen Ouellette, Foundation CEO
Das Gupta, Interim Chief Information Officer

Others

Michael Shinn, Assistant Attorney General
Julie Taylor, Recorder

I. Call to Order/Agenda Review

Chair Bennett called the meeting to order at 8:20 am.

II. Ice Breaker

Dr. Edwards led the Board of Trustees in an Ice Breaker exercise.

III. Facilitated Discussion – Dr. Mary Spilde

Dr. Mary Spilde facilitated a conversation with the Board of Trustees about setting the college and President up for success, the partnership between the Board and the President, fiduciary duties, common statutory responsibilities, govern through policy, board responsibilities, effective trusteeship, the President's role, and communication.

The Executive Cabinet joined the Board Retreat at 2:00 pm to give an update on their area and the Strategic Plan, and Student Success.

Board Goals 2022-23

1. Improve Internal Effectiveness of the Board
 - a. Onboarding New Trustees
 - b. Professional learning of the Board
 - c. Equity goals
 - d. In-person meetings orientation
 - e. Making human connections – building community
2. Development of Board evaluation instrument and process
3. Strategic connection of the President to the community (revisit initial plan), including public advocacy
4. Develop an intentional calendar of events
5. Continue to improve the relationship with the foundation

IV. Executive Cabinet Updates

Dr. Cruse gave an update on Student Success.

Dr. Willard gave a Strategic Plan update.

Brad Avakian gave an update on hiring, onboarding and next level leadership.

Sabra Sand gave an update on Boschma Farms and cash balance.

Calen Ouellette gave a foundation update.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VI. Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees next regular meeting will be Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 5:00.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.



Chair Bennett, Chair

Julie Taylor, Recorder
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