

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
April 6, 2016**

A special meeting of the of St. Louis Community College Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at the Cosand Center, 300 S. Broadway, St. Louis, MO in the Executive Board Room.

Present were Hattie Jackson, Board Chair; Joan McGivney, Board Vice Chair (via SKYPE); Rodney Gee, Trustee; Doris Graham, Trustee; Libby Fitzgerald, Trustee, and Craig Larson, Trustee. Jeff Pittman, Chancellor; Keith Fuller, Staff Attorney, and Becky Garrison, Associate for Board Relations.

The meeting began at 10:12 a.m.

I. Oath of Office – Rodney Gee

Ms. Jackson administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Gee. Thereafter, Mr. Gee assumed his seat as a member of the Board of Trustees. A copy of the signed Oath of Office is attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

II. Human Resources

Dr. Pittman recommended that the Board hire Mr. Larry D. Johnson and Ms. S. Carol Lupardus as Provosts, effective June 1, 2016, at a starting salary \$145,000 per year. Following discussion, on motion by Dr. Larson and seconded by Dr. Graham, the Board unanimously approved hiring Mr. Johnson as Provost of the Forest Park Campus, and Ms. Lupardus as Provost of the Meramec Campus.

III. Vote to Hold Executive Session

On motion by Dr. Larson and seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald, the Board, on a roll-call vote, voted unanimously to hold an executive session for the purpose of discussing the qualifications of the candidates at 10:30 a.m..

The Board resumed its special meeting at 11 a.m.

IV. Missouri Gun Law

Ms. McGivney asked Dr. Pittman what was being done regarding the pending legislation to bring guns on college campuses.

Dr. Pittman said the four-year institutions have been testifying in committee and open sessions with negative results. He further stated that the Missouri Community College Presidents and Chancellors are meeting today regarding the topic. He said STLCC conducted (and video-taped) an Active Shooter Drill that assumed the new law was in effect. The results were not good. The officers did not know who the good and bad guys were and shot everyone. The video will be shown to legislators so they can see the outcome.

Dr. Pittman said this approach is a non-threatening way to get the point across without a frontal attack and a risk to our state funding.

V. State Funding

Dr. Pittman advised the board that one proposed Senate Bill reads that any institution raising its tuition or fees will lose some funding. He added that the College may want to stand down on the \$3 technology increase approved by the Board in March.

VI. Enrollment

Ms. Fitzgerald asked about programs moved to the Harrison Center and a 7-1-7 program at the South County Education and University Center.

Dr. Pittman said he will look into these programs. He said the 7-1-7 program at SCEUC is a pilot program.

Discussion ensued regarding recruitment and marketing of programs at the HEC. Dr. Pittman advised the Board that he will be meeting with the CEO of LaunchCode, a company that pairs people aiming to work in technology with top-level employers through paid apprenticeships and job placement.

VII. Stakeholder Survey – Executive Summary

Dr. Pittman distributed the executive summary providing the results of the recent stakeholder survey to the board. He explained that the document would drive the college in developing strategic initiatives. He said the final Community Forum would be held tonight at the Florissant Valley Campus.

Ms. Fitzgerald asked Dr. Pittman to provide a presentation to the Board from Community Partnerships and Recruitment.

VIII. Adjournment

On motion by Dr. Larson and seconded by Mr. Gee, the Board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Garrison
Board Secretary