

**CLARK STATE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Wednesday, October 16, 2019**  
**LRC 207/209**

**Minutes**

Directors present: Don Lynam (Chair), Cindy Barnett, Bill Brougher, John Brown, Nettie Carter-Smith, Sue Evans, Katherine Hoptry, Mitch Hurst, Joe Monnin, Steve Neely, Patti Phillips, and Ben Vollrath

Staff present: Adele Adkins, Christa Bostick, Theresa Felder, Lo Houser, Karen Hunt, Kathy Nelson, Toni Overholser, and Larry Wakefield

Guests: Carin Burr, Scott Dawson, Robyn Hennigan, Bridget Ingram, Taylor Roberts, and Gigi Tape

**Welcome.** Chair Don Lynam welcomed Board members and guests and convened the meeting at noon. He introduced Carin Burr, Clark State Social Work Faculty who will be presenting today, and invited Carin to begin her presentation.

**Highlight.** Carin Burr, Associate Professor Health Technologies has been with the College 15 years and has worked in the social work field for 20 years. She provided an update to the Board regarding our opioid paraprofessionals grant:

- Mental health and addiction used to be separate issues, but are now interconnected; the criminal justice community, medical community, and treatment community have come together
- Recently received 2 grants (from ODJFS and HRSA) for peer recovery supporters and licensed addictions treatment providers
- Goal is to train and place peer recovery supporters in the field to support recovery
- All peer recovery supporters must be recovering in mental health and/or addiction; recovery begins after the first year of being clean and sober
- Clark State was the first to cross over Social Work/Addictions/Mental Health
- Stackable certificates OMHS/pathway/job placement 11 students
- Only program in the state of Ohio
- 2000 hours in practicum and then can sit for state boards

**Minutes.** Bill Brougher presented the minutes from the August 21, 2019 meeting. John Brown moved to accept, Joe Monnin seconded, and the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Financial Statements.** Kathy Nelson presented the financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2019, showing a fund balance of \$14,432,095 reflecting a \$768,266 increase since June. Nettie Carter-Smith moved for approval, Mitch Hurst seconded, and the motion to accept the financials was approved by unanimous voice vote.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Finance/Audit/Investment Committee.** Chair Bill Brougher reported that the Committee met prior to today's meeting. Commonfund representative, Marc Bernhardt, attended the meeting and reported we have had good performance for the last several years and have out-performed colleges our size.

The committee voted to move \$10,000 to the student emergency fund.

Kathy Nelson reported that the audit just completed yesterday, went smoothly, there are no concerns, and everything has been filed with the State of Ohio.

**Resource Development Committee.** In Jo Ann Rigano's absence, Toni Overholser reported that the Committee did not meet in the last month. The Presidential Awards Banquet was held on October 2, and Toni thanked the committee members and the entire Board for making the event a huge success. There were approximately 120 attendees which was a little lower than we had hoped, however, there are 16 paid events in the area in October at the Hollenbeck venue alone, so we will look at moving the event to September in the future. Over \$3,000 was raised for the unrestricted fund. The three honorees were very touched by their awards, and there is a letter in your packet from one of the honorees, Amber Hudson, expressing her appreciation for her award. Overall, the feedback was very positive. Don added that the event was very nice and encouraged everyone to read more about Amber Hudson – she has an inspiring story. Toni will be happy to share the videos from the event for anyone who has not seen them.

**Governance Committee.** No report.

**Scholarship Committee.** Chair Nettie Carter-Smith reported that the Committee continues to meet and has robust conversation about how to improve all the scholarship processes. One issue that has arisen recently is that there are currently 20 students in the Champaign County Scholars program but only \$84,000 in that account and we need to increase the dollars in that fund. The minutes from the last Scholarship Committee meeting are included in today's packet.

**Friends of PACC.** Chair Paul Newman Jr. was unable to be at today's meeting, but in his absence, Adele reported that they had their first meeting of the season on September 26. The Committee is working on security for the building (other venues are using metal detectors). They have added two small events to the season that have not yet been announced – one is "Spamilton" – spoof of Hamilton scheduled for December 13 and 14. The second is "Naked Magicians" – (despite the name, it is an appropriate show) – scheduled for February 2020. Adele reminded the group that the Committee is implementing a new award for individuals or organizations who have championed arts in the community. Recipients will be inducted into the "Hall of Honor" which will be in an area off the lobby of the Performing Arts Center. This year's recipient is Chris Moore who led the Springfield Arts Council for 49 years. Dr. Blondin will be doing a lecture prior to the opening night performance of "She Stoops to Conquer," performed by the members of the Theatre Arts Department on Friday, November 1. Sue Evans also gave more information from the Committee meeting. She reminded the group that the Friends of the PACC Committee recently went through an in-depth review and rewriting of their mission statement and as a result there have been a lot of improvements. The Springfield

Symphony Orchestra and Arts Council are also represented at the Friends of the PACC meetings. There are two big events forthcoming – a Friendraising event on February 29, 2020 featuring Choir of Man (committee is actively putting plan together) and the annual gala later in the spring with featured performer, Michael Bolton. Sue also commended the marketing department at Clark State for the piece they created for the 19-20 season and said she is actively distributing these brochures in Champaign County.

## **STANDING REPORTS**

**Chairman's Report.** Don Lynam reminded Board members to reference the dates at the bottom of the agenda for upcoming meetings and events.

**Board of Trustees and President's Report.** In Dr. Blondin's and David Ball's absence, Dr. Theresa Felder reported on the following:

- Dr. Felder acknowledged the five SOAR members who are at today's meeting to learn a little more about what the Foundation does
- Today at 5:00 p.m. is the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Volley for the Cure; there will be 8 teams playing, 4 of which are made up of Clark State students and employees; there will also be an auction with 100% of proceeds going to the Breast Cancer Endowment Fund of Clark County
- The health clinic is up and running; they are currently offering flu shots
- Mercy Health Mobile Mammography will be on campus Monday, November 4 from 9am-2pm in front of the TLC building
- TechCred program – Governor's office has announced a new program that connects businesses with individuals and gives them the ability to earn credentials better preparing them for a job in today's technology-advanced economy
- Support Services at Clark State is focusing on retention; currently John Minter, JFS, Care Source life coach are working with students in need; soon the Second Harvest Food Bank will have a space on campus; the department is continuing to look at ways to support and retain students - we can't keep up with demand
- Successful accreditation visit for Graphic Design bachelor's degree; Clark State will offer the program next year
- Capital bill requests this year \$5 million center for workforce development and collaboration; \$4 million PAC upgrades; \$8 million Rhodes Hall completion and ASC renovation

**Director's Report.** Toni Overholser reported on the following:

- Employee Campaign in September was very successful; nearly \$12,000 in pledges and gifts received; the link to online giving will remain on portal for anyone wishing to contribute throughout the year
- We will be kicking off the Annual Campaign at the end of the month and will be targeting the unrestricted fund/student emergency fund
- The online scholarship application is open October 1-30 and so far we have received almost 100 applications; all Board members are asked to help review the applications between November 1-15; workshops will take place for students needing help with the FAFSA and completing the scholarship application

- The alumni newsletter will be sent out soon; we are in the process of developing a donor newsletter

Lo Houser gave a report on Project Jericho:

- 16 youth will participate in “Inktober” at the HBC tomorrow
- 2000-3000 people attended Chalkfest this year; PJ partnered with National Trail Parks and Recreation for the event
- Project Jericho recently won the Community Beautification award for the Rose City Mural

Karen Hunt gave a report on the Scholars Program:

- Karen echoed Nettie’s remarks earlier about the need to raise funds for the Champaign County Scholars program
- Karen has been working with the College’s Institutional Research department to look at program data
- She has been meeting with current and former scholars at Clark State

The meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Overholser