

CLARK STATE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, May 15, 2019 – 11:30 a.m.
Brinkman Educational Center Conference Center

Minutes

Directors present: Mitch Hurst (Vice-Chair), Bill Brougher, John Brown, Nettie Carter-Smith, Sunny Dhingra, Sue Evans, Joe Kennedy, Kirk Koennecke, Paul Newman Jr., Kerry Pedraza, Patti Phillips, Jo Ann Rigano, and Phil Teusink

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

Welcome. In Chair Don Lynam’s absence, Vice-Chair Mitch Hurst welcomed Board members and convened the meeting at 11:53 a.m. He began the meeting with a quote from American philosopher, John Dewey – “Education is not preparation for life, education is life itself.” He then congratulated Kirk Koennecke on his new position at Indian Hill Exempted Village School District in Cincinnati and thanked him for his service to the Foundation Board.

Highlight. Adam Groshans, COO of Mercy Health in Springfield, gave an update on the health clinic set to open soon at Clark State:

- Discussions started over a year ago; in August/September, the plan started to formalize
- Mercy Mission Statement - “We extend the compassionate ministry of Jesus by improving the health and well-being of our communities and bring good help to those in need, especially people who are poor, dying and underserved.” This aligns heavily with the community mission statement of Clark State.
- 4 pillars
 - Improvement of community health and well being
 - Delivering clinical and operational excellence
 - Continue to strengthen culture and capabilities
 - Innovate and grow
- Clark State is a strong community partner so this was a natural partnership
- Patient access – how do we bring care closer to students?
- Many potential locations but chose ASC building which will help provide a great benefit to the health technologies programs at Clark State
- Late May/early June – soft launch
- May 20 – doors will be open for a “mini soft launch”
- Leatha Ross, Dr. Rodney, and additional staff are in place
- Continuing education and internship opportunities will exist
- Student access - fees attached to tuition - \$65 (\$25 for fall, \$25 for spring, \$15 for summer)
- Vaccinations available
- Prescriptions (retail pharmacy at hospital)
- Soft marketing
 - Education/promote via letters, posts, ads
 - Letters to previous patients in this ZIP code

Minutes. Phil Teusink presented the minutes from the April 17, 2019 meeting. It was noted that Kerry Pedraza's name was inadvertently left off the minutes as attending the April meeting and Toni also made a slight correction to the version of the minutes that were sent in the packet last week addressing a motion made regarding residual restricted scholarship funds being transferred into the Community Commitment Scholarship fund. Both corrections were made prior to today's meeting and Phil asked for a motion to accept. Sunny Dhingra moved to accept, Nettie Carter-Smith seconded, and the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Financial Statements. Kathy Nelson presented the financial statements for the period ending April 30, 2019, showing a fund balance of \$13,644,744 and an increase of \$14,294 since March. Bill Brougner moved for approval, Sunny Dhingra seconded, and the motion to accept the financials was approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Audit/Investment Committee. Chair Phil Teusink reported that the Committee met prior to today's meeting. There were no action items to be brought forward at today's Board meeting. They will meet again next month to review the budget for the upcoming year.

Resource Development Committee. Chair Jo Ann Rigano reported that the Committee will meet on June 20 to begin planning the inaugural event scheduled for September 20.

Governance Committee. In Chair Carah Birch's absence, Toni reported that the Committee is finalizing the list of candidates to replace retiring Board members and will forward the names prior to the June Board meeting.

Scholarship Committee. Chair Nettie Carter-Smith reported that the Committee has not met but will plan to meet soon. She thanked those who were able to help read and score scholarship applications for summer semester. Toni reported that we were able to award just over \$22,000 to 38 students.

Several Board members offered input on the AcademicWorks online application system. Can we clarify the reviewer questions that address whether or not the student is a single mother/parent, has overcome hardships, or is a cancer survivor? Toni explained that these have to be asked of reviewer because some of the scholarship opportunities take this into consideration. Toni will look into the formatting of the questions and try to improve the process for the reviewers.

Friends of PACC. Performing Arts Center Executive Director, Adele Adkins, reported on the following:

- More than \$20,000 has been received from the annual appeal and gifts continue to come in daily; teasers advertising early sales to upcoming shows have helped with membership sales
- The Melissa Etheridge concert was almost sold out with people coming from as far away as Michigan, Illinois, Kentucky and Pennsylvania; it was one of the best concerts Adele has been to!
- Ongoing conversations about the Friends gala have taken place over the last month; Adele thanked John Brown for his questions and input and for thinking outside of the box

STANDING REPORTS

Chairman's Report. On Don Lynam's behalf, Mitch reported that Don was pleased with graduation day and how everything went. He reminded everyone to reference the calendar items at the bottom of today's agenda.

Board of Trustees Report. No report. The Board of Trustees will meet next Tuesday, May 21, 2019.

President's Report. In Dr. Blondin's absence, Dr. Theresa Felder reported on the following:

- Graduation took place last Saturday, May 11, and went very well. This is the second year that the event was separated into two ceremonies allowing more family members to attend. There were two great student speakers, one of which was Nettie's niece, Stephanie Carter.
- New programming beginning fall semester includes the Bachelor in Manufacturing Technology; next fall there will be a Bachelor in Web Design and Development. The addiction studies offering is still a possibility.
- There may be a minimal tuition increase this coming academic year
- Summer programming includes College for Kids classes, Johns Hopkins Engineering Innovations, and Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajig's 3-D Printing Manufacturing camp
- The presence of the new health clinic will have a strong emphasis on service to the community; there will be a soft opening on May 20
- Summer enrollment is increasing but there is still work to do; every day is looking better

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

- Scholars mentor appreciation lunch is being planned for current and retiring mentors; the program is in need of more mentors for the future
- Scholarship awards were recently made for summer semester – just over \$22,000 was awarded to 38 students
- We will have budgets to approve at next month's Board meeting; they will be sent out prior to the meeting to allow Board members time for review
- Toni received good news this morning – we received funding to renovate and expand the Workforce STNA lab from the Springfield Foundation; STNA is the first step to the RN degree
- College For Kids – all programs are full for summer and we have started a waiting list
- Johns Hopkins Engineering Innovations class is for students in grades 11 and 12; registration deadline is the end of May and the program starts the second week of June; we need to have all slots filled or the class cannot run

Foundation Reports:

- Project Jericho – Lo Houser reported that 11 students participated in the photography module that will be displayed at the Springfield Farmer's Market on June 1; the theme for this project was "growth"
- Alumni – Karen Hunt reported that we are still accepting nominations for the two alumni awards that will be presented at the inaugural event September 20
- Scholars Program – Karen Hunt reported that there were several middle school retreats in the last month with the programs at Shull Hall being the highlight

Mitch ended the meeting with a quote from William Yeats – “Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.” He then asked for a motion to adjourn, Phil Teusink moved to adjourn, Paul Newman Jr. seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Overholser