# SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE CALL AUGUST 20, 2020

The meeting was held on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via conference call.

## PRESENT:

Chair Murray called for a motion to adjourn the Board of Trustees meeting and convene the Board of Directors meeting at 9:07 a.m. Trustee Canary so moved, Trustee O'Connor seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

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Chair Murray called for a motion to approve the Association minutes of the June 18, 2020 meeting. Trustee Coverdale so moved, Trustee deLeon-Lopresti seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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Chair Murray introduced Dr. Christopher Adams, Vice President for Student Affairs, to present the Association financial report. Dr. Adams reviewed the Association Financial report that was as of July 31, 2020. He reported that with one month left in the

Association's budgeting cycle, all the cost centers in the Association are running in the positive with the exception of the Eastern campus Peconic Cafe. To save the College money, the Association took on the salary of the manager of the Peconic Cafe last academic year. Since the Peconic Café is closed, there is a \$101,415 loss, in addition to the salary for the manager within the Peconic Cafe. The Association has a fund balance and they will use that to help subsidize any loss at the end of the year. Any money that is left over from the other cost centers will be returned to the fund balance within the Association. Due to the decline in enrollment they are anticipating less student activity fees coming into the Association.

In regards to Athletics, for the next academic year for the Fall sports, the Association has decided to cancel all Fall sports. Instead, those fall sports will take place in the Spring of 2021. They will have some practices with some sports that will all be outdoors for the Fall semester in preparation for the Spring semester.

In lieu of a commencement ceremony, the Association put together celebration boxes for all the graduating students, including the diplomas and diploma covers. The plan for commencement is to either have a ceremony in January to celebrate all of those graduates that graduated in May and August. If it can't be done in January, the Association intends to invite them back to the May 2021 ceremony. The Association is currently very involved in running orientations for students. The orientation is a lot more complicated this year with going remote. All of the orientations are done in a virtual environment, and this year for the first time they are also doing a parent orientation.

Trustee Canary asked VP Adams how they will be handling sports, such as basketball and volleyball, which are normally played indoors. VP Adams said they are going to play those games in the Spring, and will start practices sometime in late September early October. They will ensure they are practicing social distancing and taking precautions, such as not using locker rooms.

Trustee Sanders asked VP Adams if they are projecting any salary losses in sports if they are not going to play in the Fall. VP Adams answered that although they won't be playing the sports, the coaches will be running practices and recruiting, and will be kept on salary. He noted that they actually get modest stipends.

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Chair Murray called for a motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting and reconvene the Board of Trustees meeting at 9:17 a.m. Trustee Morgo so moved, Trustee Sanders seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting of the Board of Directors was adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted, Gordon Canary Secretary