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**DR. SHAUN L. MCKAY IS APPOINTED AS SIXTH PRESIDENT OF
SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Selden, NY – On Tuesday, March 23, the State University of New York Board of Trustees officially approved the appointment of Dr. Shaun L. McKay as president of Suffolk County Community College (SCCC).

In making the announcement, SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher said, “Throughout his career, Dr. McKay has demonstrated significant achievement in campus administration, academic program development, budget and finance, strategic planning and institutional assessment. As Executive Vice President of Suffolk County Community College for the past year, Dr. McKay has proven to be an effective and capable leader. I thank the search committee for its diligence in recommending Dr. McKay and both the College Board and the SUNY Board for seeing his appointment through.”

SUNY Board of Trustees Chairman Carl T. Hayden said, “I am pleased to support Dr. McKay’s appointment as president of Suffolk County Community College. He has served the college with great vision and leadership over the past year in an interim capacity and prior to that for several years as executive dean. I am confident that Dr. McKay will continue to be a strong and effective leader for SCCC and SUNY and an excellent community partner for Long Island and the state of New York.”

“I am honored by my appointment to serve as the sixth president of Suffolk County Community College. I would like to express my gratitude to the SUNY Board and to Chancellor Zimpher for their vote of confidence in me,” said Dr. McKay. “I am looking forward to building upon the College’s first fifty years of success and accomplishment—fostering our institutional reputation for excellence and championing the achievements of our students, faculty and staff. It will be my privilege to collaborate with the college community and our corporate and community partners, in order to advance this exceptional institution.”

Since March 2009, Dr. McKay has been serving as the College’s Interim Executive Vice President. In this role, Dr. McKay had authority and responsibility for the planning, policy development, implementation and assessment of College programs and services. Dr. McKay joined the College in 2005, as Executive Dean for the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood.

Prior to joining SCCC, Dr. McKay served as Director of Planning for the Community College of Baltimore County and spent eight years in various positions at Morgan State University. Dr. McKay has also taught both undergraduate and doctorate level courses at several institutions.

Active in national and local organizations, Dr. McKay has received numerous awards for distinguished service in higher education. In 2009, Dr. McKay was selected from among an international pool of applicants as one of only 33 community college senior administrators to attend the prestigious Executive Leadership Institute sponsored by the League for Innovation. He serves as a Systems Appraiser for the Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) of the Higher Learning Commission-North Central Association and is a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice (JSARP). In the summer of 2009, Dr. McKay was invited to participate with 19 public, private, and non-profit organizations from across the country to explore ideas and concepts in lifelong learning in order to formulate a policy agenda for the American Council of Education (ACE)'s Center for Lifelong Learning. Dr. McKay is a current member of the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce and serves on the Advisory Board of PRONTO of Long Island, a non-profit community outreach center. He has also served as a member of The State University of New York Chancellor's Advisory Group on Leadership and Professional Development.

Before joining the administration of SCCC, Dr. McKay was appointed and served as the Chancellor's representative of the Community College of Baltimore County to the University Systems of Maryland/Maryland Association of Community Colleges (USM/MACC) Solutions Committee, which was responsible for follow-up activities associated with a capacity study for the State of Maryland.

Dr. McKay received his Ed.D. in Higher Education Administration with a specialization in Community College Leadership from Morgan State University in Baltimore, his M.A. in Management and Communication from the College of Notre Dame in Baltimore, and his B.S. in Business Management from the University of Maryland, College Park.



Photo Caption: Dr. Shaun L. McKay was recently appointed President of Suffolk County Community College.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 25,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at www.sunysuffolk.edu.

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