

**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
CAPTREE COMMONS, MICHAEL J. GRANT CAMPUS
BRENTWOOD, NEW YORK
September 18, 2014**

The meeting was held on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in Captree Commons at the Michael J. Grant Campus, Brentwood, New York.

PRESENT:

Dafny Irizarry	Chairwoman
Bryan Lilly	Secretary
Gordon D. Canary	Trustee
James Morgo	Trustee
Paul V. Pontieri, Jr.	Trustee
Belinda Alvarez-Groneman	Trustee
Anne D. Shybunko-Moore	Trustee
Denise Lindsay Sullivan	Trustee
Gardy E. Amilcar	Student Trustee
Dr. Shaun L. McKay	President
Louis Petrizzo, Esq.	General Counsel
Mary Lou Araneo	V.P. Institutional Advancement
Christopher Adams	V.P. of Student Affairs
Jeffery Pedersen	V.P. for Planning & Institutional Effectiveness
Gail Vizzini	V.P. of Business and Financial Affairs

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was convened at 4:05 p.m.

Chairwoman Irizarry welcomed everyone; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Canary. Ms. Denise Lindsay Sullivan was sworn in as a Board member and Chairwoman Irizarry welcomed Trustee Sullivan and her expertise and commitment to give significant contributions to the college. Chairwoman Irizarry thanked Trustee Cliff for fulfilling his previous term.

Chairwoman Irizarry requested a motion to adjourn the Board of Trustees meeting and call to order the meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:09 p.m. Trustee Shybunko-Moore so moved, Trustee Lilly seconded, motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Irizarry called for a motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting and reconvene the Board of Trustees meeting at 4:18 p.m. Trustee Morgo so moved, Trustee Shybunko-Moore seconded, and motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Irizarry requested a motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Pontieri so moved, seconded by Trustee Alvarez-Groneman, motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Irizarry introduced Vice President of Business and Financial Affairs, Ms. Gail Vizzini, to present the College Financial Report. VP Vizzini reported that her office is in the process of closing out the 2013-14 fiscal year which will be ending in the black. She said that the precise fund balance could not be determined as of yet but that all indications right now are that the number will be less than \$2 million. She stated this is very important, because that will allow the College to replenish its fund balance to offset the deficit in the operating budget. She said September 1st began the 2014-2015 fiscal year and although the campus departments have started requisitioning and purchase orders, it is a bit too early to begin reporting monthly expenditure and revenue projections to the Board, and she would begin those reports next month.

VP Vizzini said that on the capital front, the Life Sciences Building is very much on schedule for completion by mid-October and the ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for October 21st. She pointed out a change order before the Board on today's agenda, Item Number 4, for \$17,946 and said that the specifics of the change order were sent to the Facilities committee members. She stated that although these specific items were not in the original plan, as the project progressed they were deemed necessary, and there is sufficient funding in the project to pay for them. She explained that they pertain to certain necessary plumbing modifications, water pressure valves; alternative student chairs for the science labs that will not deteriorate from the chemicals in use there, and enhanced functionality of the video wall. VP Vizzini next addressed the Riverhead Building renovations, stating Phase 2 of the renovations was completed on time for the fall classes. She said this was a very ambitious project with a narrow time frame, having only the small window of summer to complete everything that was done and she offered compliments and thanks to a number of people who accomplished this. She mentioned first and foremost Paul Cooper, Steve Clark, Gary Ris and their teams, and the many dedicated College employees who restored college operations after the renovations were completed.

She then reported the College would be hosting a site visit for the County Legislatures' Education committee on September 23rd at nine a.m. so they could see the intersection near the south entrance to the Ammerman campus, the site for which the College requested a capital resolution for traffic mitigation. She explained that at that site, the line of visibility is not the best because of a hill, and although there is a stop sign, oncoming traffic cannot see what is coming over the hill.. She said it has been the site of a few accidents, including, regrettably, another T-bone accident the first week of school. She said she hoped with the presence of facility, staff, and Cameron Engineering the College could persuade the Legislators to appropriate the money to begin traffic mitigation efforts. She said a project of this type can only be accomplished in the summer when there are fewer students, because that intersection would have to be blocked off. With that she completed her report.

Trustee Morgo asked VP Vizzini to go back to the operating budget, saying it was very good that she delineated the operating budget and capital project which are two very separate things. He recalled that VP Vizzini had said that the College more than made up its use of the fund balance in 2013-2014, by about \$400,000 additional, and asked if that extra could be applied for the 2014-15 budget. VP Vizzini replied yes. Trustee Morgo asked if everybody knew what he was asking and this was acknowledged. VP Vizzini explained the College adopts a balanced budget. If at the end of the year we don't really need the \$4.3 million in reserves because of the College's prudent management and other belt tightening measures that occurred, the College will not make that transfer, but will only transfer what is needed.

Trustee Morgo said that \$4.3 million hitting the reserve fund is a scary number, and understood it might not actually be that number.

VP Vizzini confirmed that collectively the College is making an effort in order to mitigate use of the reserve. She explained that is also why the reserve is a bit of a moving target. Trustee Morgo thanked VP Vizzini and told her that is the answer he wanted.

Trustee Canary asked, regarding the Life Science Building, what the result of the problem was with the moisture in the floor where additional work had to be done in order to prepare to lay the floor. VP Vizzini answered that after getting all the information that was needed, the College determined to do the beat blasting, explaining it is pretty much the way it sounds, to beat up the concrete in order to accelerate the dehumidification to approach a threshold for the flooring to adhere. She said the beat blasting worked and it was not that bad, and to remain on schedule for classes to open in the spring it was the right thing to do and was successful. Trustee Canary asked if the contractor ate those costs and VP Vizzini answered that the College is sharing those costs.

Dr. McKay asked to speak. He said he was in Albany the week before, and at that meeting learned that the Board of Trustees for SUNY passed a resolution whereby the state system had a deficit of \$6 million in their budget in the Central office, and that the colleges were informed at that time SUNY would assess each college within the system a percentage based on the FTE, and thus they assessed Suffolk County Community College \$186,000. He said this meant the first charge to the College in year one is \$37,200. He said he questioned what the College was actually paying for because the College didn't receive an invoice. He stated certainly it occurred after the campus presented a budget to the Board, which the Board approved, and subsequently it went to the County Executive and the County Legislature. The College started the year with that budget in effect. He said the presidents in the SUNY system then went back and forth on that matter. He stated the College has not agreed to pay that assessment fee because there are no services affixed to that number. Dr. McKay said he was putting it before the Board now because the presidents will have to respond to the Chancellor. He said his question to the Chancellor was that, in the local budget the colleges have to live within their means and have to have a balanced budget, that the College makes adjustments throughout the year whenever there is a cost to the budget. He said what is not known is if the Chancellor has any statutory or legal authority to impose a fee on the local college when the local board has already passed a budget for the campus, adding that General Counsel is looking into it as well as others.

Dr. McKay continued by explaining this is similar to Degree Works, a system that SUNY has asked the College to take on but the College cannot implement because SUNY has not implemented all the programs. Still they impose a fee on the College, which has not been paid. He said that was about \$39,000 as well. He said his question to the Chancellor was what happens in the next year if the costs increase again and the College doesn't have the revenue to cover it. What is the College paying for and what if it can't pay it. He told the Board they might hear this at the upcoming NYCCT meeting, but was placing it before them now to think about whether or not the College should consider it. He repeated it is not a benefit to our students.

Chairwoman Irizarry thanked Dr. McKay and said she believed she'd read some documents on that matter and her understanding was that this is still an ongoing conversation, and that no college has taken any action to agree to go ahead and pay as yet. Dr. McKay said the resolution that the SUNY Board members passed says that the colleges can pay the first year and for the other four years they will revisit it and have another discussion. He said his problem is, by paying the first year, the College is acquiescing to something that the SUNY Trustees are imposing on us as a fee for service item, and he is worried about the legal authority that the SUNY has to impose such a fine on us or tax on the College when in fact there is no invoice in the system that states the College is paying for a service. Chairwoman Irizarry said until that authority is determined; she would think that the College's action should be none. Dr. McKay agreed, saying that is what he is recommending to the Board.

Trustee Morgo told Dr. McKay he thought it was a good thing he is working with the other presidents to come up with a strategy, as indicated in the letter Dr. McKay shared. He said that because the state did not do well by the College this time, \$75 for FTE. This certainly could be an argument to make to the state.

Dr. McKay said , at the meetings, SUNY is asking the College to advocate for SUNY Central. He said he felt that is a losing argument because the College is here for the students, and not for arguing for more money for SUNY as a system. He said he would be arguing against aid to the community colleges here. He stated that his position is advocating for base aid for our students as per the state charter, not for SUNY in general.

Trustee Lindsay Sullivan asked if this has occurred in the past and Dr. McKay answered never. Trustee Lindsay Sullivan asked what the consequences are if one doesn't pay. Dr. McKay said he didn't believe there were any. As an example, he said, none of the colleges has paid Degree Works as yet. He said SUNY should let the colleges pay for the services they get and that, in essence, SUNY has overspent its budget by \$6 million and is finding a way to make up the \$6 million, which should not be the colleges' costs.

Chairwoman Irizarry announced that the FA president would like to share some comments on that issue. Mr. Peterman thanked the Chairwoman and reported that he has been in touch with the New York State United Federation of Teachers and that they are pursuing this issue and looking at every avenue to stop it. The community colleges are not state operated institutions. He said he wanted to make clear that the Faculty Association is already taking a position on that. The Chairwoman thanked him for the support and asked for any other comments. Trustee Canary said it was morally reprehensible and the Chairwoman responded "Loud and clear."

Chairwoman Irizarry then asked Vice President Vizzini for comments on how close the College is to the projected enrollment for the school year, if it met the projection or was below. Ms. Vizzini answered that the budget was predicated on enrollment being flat. Dr. Adams interjected that it is 98.2, and Ms. Vizzini said it is just shy of being flat. Dr. Adams added that it does not include the correction officer class that will be counted towards the FTE, and also the Excelsior Program, which is anticipated to bump it up 1%. Dr. McKay added there was a lot of effort this semester with advertisements and the College has seen a bump in the number of students that have enrolled. He said Suffolk graduated the largest class, with 4189, and to get back to flat, it had to bring in 4189 plus a number above that. He said the College has surpassed that number of students.

Chairwoman Irizarry said when we look at other institutions and how their projections are being met; the College is doing pretty well. Dr. McKay said there are colleges upstate that are down 10%, 8%, 9%, and agreed the College has done pretty well. He commended the staff for working as hard as they did on weekends and evenings to make sure the College hit those enrollment numbers.

Chairwoman Irizarry requested a motion for the approval of College Resolutions 2014.71 to 2014.81. Trustee Morgo asked to further discuss Resolution 2014.79 but to move ahead with the other Resolutions. Chairwoman Irizarry agreed and requested a motion on 2014.71 to 2014.78 and 2014.80 to 2014.81. Trustee Morgo so moved, Trustee Pontieri seconded. Before approval of the resolution there was discussion about 2014.71, the Excelsior Program and the Early College Program. Chairwoman Irizarry asked the board members to view the chart and asked Dr. DeLongoria, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs to explain how she arrived at the Excelsior college tuition. Dr. DeLongoria explained

that by keeping the cost of the Excelsior college tuition down the College does not risk losing students to its competitors. Trustee Lindsay-Sullivan asked Dr. DeLongoria to explain the difference between Excelsior and Early College. Dr. DeLongoria explained that Excelsior College is where the College credentials high school teachers to teach the course in the high school. Early College is where students from the high school come and take courses at the college with the regular class. President McKay added that the experience is also different in that students in the classroom have the true college experience versus the Excelsior program which is taught at the high school itself. Next, Chairwoman Irizarry pointed out that Resolution 2014.76, a grant to be accepted has had a budget added to the original resolution packet. With no further questions on the remaining resolutions 2014.71 to 2014.78 and 2014.80 to 2014.81 were approved, the motion carried with no opposition.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.71 CONFIRMING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TUITION POLICY FOR THE COLLEGE'S EXCELSIOR PROGRAM BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

WHEREAS, the College's Excelsior Program is a dual enrollment program that allows high school students to enroll in College courses while still working toward high school graduation, and

WHEREAS, college credits earned in the Excelsior Program can be applied toward high school and college graduation and can be transferred to other colleges and universities, and

WHEREAS, Excelsior Program courses are taught at partnering high schools by secondary school teachers, and the training expenses incurred by the College for the program are fixed costs that do not vary based on the number of sections taught, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees wishes to establish a fair and equitable tuition policy for its Excelsior Program offerings island-wide, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Suffolk County Community College hereby sets the tuition rate for all Excelsior Program courses at \$53.00 per credit, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Vice President for Business Affairs and the President, this tuition rate may be subsequently revised by the Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the conditional approval by the Executive Committee of the establishment of a tuition policy for the College's Excelsior Program, is hereby confirmed in all respects.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.72 CONFIRMING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TUITION POLICY FOR THE EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

WHEREAS, the Early College Program is a dual enrollment program that allows high school students to enroll in College courses while still working toward high school graduation, and

WHEREAS, Early College Program courses are taught at the College's Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood and the training expenses incurred by the College for the program are fixed costs that do not vary based on the number of sections taught, and

WHEREAS, the College seeks to expand its Early College Program to additional Suffolk County school districts, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees wishes to establish a fair and equitable tuition policy for its Early College Program offerings county-wide, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Suffolk County Community College hereby sets the tuition rate for all Early College Program courses at \$53.00 per credit, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Vice President for Business Affairs and the President, this tuition rate may be subsequently revised by the Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the conditional approval by the Executive Committee of the establishment of a tuition policy for the Early College Program, is hereby confirmed in all respects.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.73 REAPPOINTING DIRECTORS TO THE BOARD OF THE SUFFOLK CENTER ON THE HOLOCAUST, DIVERSITY & HUMAN UNDERSTANDING, INC.

WHEREAS, the by-laws of The Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity & Human Understanding, Inc. provide for the Board of Trustees to appoint the members of its Board of Directors, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to reappoint a member whose term is expiring and the Board of Directors recommends that the member be reappointed, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the reappointment of the following person to the Board of Directors of The Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity & Human Understanding, Inc. is hereby approved, for a term of three years, effective September 1, 2014:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.74 APPROVING A MAJOR CHANGE ORDER AND AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WILLIAM J. LINDSAY LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING ON THE AMMERMAN CAMPUS

WHEREAS, J. Petrocelli Contracting, Inc. was awarded a contract ("Contract") to construct the William J. Lindsay Life Sciences Building on the Ammerman Campus, and

WHEREAS, work which was not anticipated under the terms of the Contract or shown on the design drawings is required, consisting of plumbing upgrades, including a building water pressure valve, resized laboratory acid waste tanks and an oil smart elevator sump pump; additional tree removal; upgraded functionality of the video wall; additional technology conduit in building hallways; and upgraded student laboratory chairs and stools, and

WHEREAS, at this stage of the construction the College estimates that sufficient contingency funding remains in the project budget, and

WHEREAS, including the additional work described herein increases the contract with J. Petrocelli Contracting by more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), thus constituting a major change order as defined in the College's *Procurement Policy*, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such policy, all major change orders require the approval of the Board of Trustees, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that a change order in the amount of \$72,946.65 to the Contract with J. Petrocelli Contracting, Inc. for additional work to be performed for the construction of the William J. Lindsay Life Sciences Building on the Ammerman Campus, is hereby approved, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the College President is authorized and empowered to execute the necessary documentation, as approved by the College General Counsel, reflecting the change order and the nature of the additional work so authorized.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.75 ADOPTING AN ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Law §6306(5), the College's Board of Trustees is charged with the care, custody, control and management of the lands, grounds buildings, facilities and equipment used for the purposes of the College, and has the power to protect, preserve and improve the same, and

WHEREAS, the Board embraces energy conservation and desires for the College to become an institutional leader in energy conservation as part of its responsibility to prudently manage the College's finances, conserve energy and respect natural resources, and

WHEREAS, by a resolution duly adopted on March 20, 2014, this Board authorized a contract with *Cenergistic, Inc.*, to work cooperatively with the College to implement a behavior-based energy conservation program, and

WHEREAS, a College policy outlining a comprehensive, behavior-based energy conservation program will help facilitate the College's energy conservation goals, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the College hereby adopts the "Energy Conservation Policy," (Attachment D), effectively immediately, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the College Administration shall develop and implement appropriate energy conservation guidelines and strategies in order to implement the Energy Conservation Policy.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.76 ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD FROM THE New York STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR A NEW ENTRY LEVEL MANUFACTURING TRAINING COURSE

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Economic Development provides economic resources for projects focused on community development and job creation throughout New York State, and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County Community College has been selected to receive an amount of \$32,500 in Empire State Development (ESD) Technical Assistance and Training Grant Funds for a new entry level manufacturing training course which will focus on skills development in blueprint reading, shop math, and measurement quality and safety, consistent with the needs of manufacturers in the Greater Wyandanch area, and provide training for thirty-two (32) students, and

WHEREAS, \$3,975 in matching funds is required, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that an ESD Technical Assistance and Training Grant award in the amount of \$32,500 from the New York State Department of Economic Development for a new entry level manufacturing training course is hereby accepted, and the College President, or his designee, is authorized and empowered to execute a contract and any other required documentation with the administering agency.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.77 APPROVING MONTHLY SPONSOR SERVICES FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WHEREAS, the State University of New York Regulation No. 602.7 requires the Suffolk County Community College Board of Trustees to review and approve all Sponsor provided services and their estimated value in advance of the service being rendered, and

WHEREAS, the regulation also requires the approval of the payment of each Sponsor Service satisfactorily performed, and

WHEREAS, health insurance is considered a Sponsor Service, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the health insurance payment to the County of Suffolk in the amount of \$2,006,648.18 for the month of September 2014 (Attachment II) is hereby approved by the Board of Trustees.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.78 AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE HOURLY WAGE RATE FOR PART-TIME LABORERS EMPLOYED BY SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WHEREAS, due to the increase in New York State's minimum wage to \$8.75, effective 12/31/14, and to \$9.00 effective 12/31/15, the hourly wage rate for part-time laborers employed by the College should, likewise, be increased, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the hourly wage rate for part-time laborers employed by the College to work day shifts be increased from \$8.00 to \$9.00, effective 12/15/14, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the hourly wage rate for part-time laborers employed by the College to work night shifts be increased from \$9.00 to \$9.50, effective 12/15/14.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.80 APPROVING BUDGET TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has established a policy on the authorization of budget transfers, and

WHEREAS, according to said policy, budget transfers must be authorized by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs recommends the budget transfers on Attachment IV as necessary for the operation of the College, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the budget transfers shown on Attachment IV are hereby authorized and approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.81 AMENDING THE SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXEMPT SALARY AND BENEFIT PLAN

WHEREAS, the President of College has divided the duties of the Office of Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs into Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, and

WHEREAS, titles of Vice President of Academic Affairs and Vice President of Student Affairs already exist as College titles, and

WHEREAS, the title of Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs will be removed from the Exempt Salary and Benefits Plan, and the titles of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Vice President for Student Affairs will be placed on the Exempt Salary Plan, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the title of Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs be deleted from the Exempt Salary Plan under Category B, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the titles of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Vice President for Student Affairs be placed in Category C on the Exempt Salary Plan (Attachment V).

Trustee Morgo asked to move Resolution 2014.79 and then have a discussion about the resolution. Chairwoman Irizarry requested a motion to approve Resolution 2014.79. Trustee Morgo so moved,

seconded by Trustee Pontieri. Trustee Morgo started the discussion by stating that becoming part of Start Up New York could certainly be one of the great things for the College as well as economic development for Suffolk County.

Mr. Benjamin Zwirn, Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator, explained that the Start Up New York program was introduced last January and that the College submitted an application as a SUNY school. He went on to explain that it's a tax free zone, no state taxes, no franchise taxes, no income taxes for ten years for companies that fit the criteria would be on SUNY campuses. Mr. Zwirn further explained that the two primary locations that the College is looking to utilize are the sixty acres in Selden owned by Suffolk County and within the Wyandanch Rising Project allowing ten thousand square feet available to the college. He also stated that the College has gotten inquiries from companies that have preliminary approval from Start Up New York. Since the College does not currently have any rentable space, the thought is to pass those that qualify onto Farmingdale College because they presently have room and work with Suffolk County Economic Development. The College has notified all the municipalities for Start Up New York looking for any preliminary comments with no reply. Mr. Zwirn stated that if the resolution is approved today, it will go back up to New York State, wait for final approval and then the College will work with the county, and the Start Up New York Program to find companies who would qualify and meet some of the needs of the students in creating jobs for them.

Dr. McKay introduced Ms. Kelly Morris, Assistant to the Commissioner, Department of Economic Development. Ms. Morris addressed the board on behalf of Commissioner Minieri stating that Suffolk County is thrilled to be working with the community college on this effort. The Department of Economic Development sees Start Up New York as a tremendous opportunity to bring new business to the area, grow existing business, build jobs, and a variety of educational opportunities for the students through internships and entrepreneurial opportunities. Ms. Morris also pointed out that Suffolk County Executive Bellone's initiative for the BRT, Bus Rapid Transit, is well underway, working on feasible studies, looking from Patchogue up to Stony Brook, to improve and broaden visits to the area.

Trustee Canary thanked Ms. Morris for attending the meeting and then asked if the county will still be the owner of the sixty-two acres and the buildings that will be used for Start Up New York.

Mr. Zwirn answered by stating that the College would like to negotiate to ultimately have some control over property, or at least portions of it, but right now it's in the county's name. Dr. McKay added that there were initial discussions about the property when it was first addressed saying that the college, Empire State and the county would all have a portion. Since the initial discussion the county has stated that if a user is found, that they will place that portion of land in trust for educational purpose so the college can then continue to work with Start Up New York. The county is committed to the development of the property.

Trustee Canary inquired as to whether the interested companies or the county will spec and build the buildings. Dr. McKay explained that first there will be a proposal which will go to a local committee for review. Once a proposal is recommended to President McKay, he will in turn recommend it to the Board. From there it will go to Albany and be determined whether there will be state, county or local area support. He also pointed out that there could be additional aspects since the college does not have a builder.

Mr. Zwirn added that with the Wyandanch project, the county has applied to the state for a grant of two and a half million dollars to build a building that will have ten thousand square feet with Start Up New York. Mr. Zwirn also pointed out that if someone wants to make a commitment and put up the money, the IDA may come in with low interest loans.

Trustee Morgo commented that so far it has not been a huge success but added that he has been told by people from Empire State Development that they are more flexible now because it is the cornerstone of the Governor's economic development program. He then asked if the College would consider using some of the space for extra parking on campus and seek alternative space on campus. He also mentioned that County Executive Bellone was concerned about the resolution being a problem since Ms. Morris was hired and this is something that County Executive Bellone thinks is very important considering the resources that have been invested in buying the land. Trustee Canary interjected that both Senator Johnson and Senator Boyle strongly supported the Wyandanch Rising initiative.

Trustee Morgo stated that he recently toured the property acquired for the Wyandanch Village and that the Regional Economic Development Council is very supportive. He also added that while speaking with the County Executive regarding the resolution, he inquired as to whether or not the college has a radio station. Trustee Morgo questioned why he would ask that question and Chairwoman Irizarry noted that the same question came up at the student success committee meeting.

Trustee Canary asked if the plan is successful - does the College envision building a planned industrial park on the sixty-two acres?

Dr. McKay responded by stating that it was not in the discussion plans and that the neighborhood had opposed an industrial approach in that location, which means that the plan is to really design the structure around the corporations or the companies' needs. It will be unique to the vendor who wants to utilize the space and would be constructed based on the needs of the vendor which will be part of the proposal going forward. The College will have to look at the viability of whether or not that fits into what the Governor has declared to be a technology zone and if it fits into the long-term plan of the region. He added that when it comes to design, that has to come before the county, the state and the Governor, before a shovel gets put into the ground.

Trustee Canary also asked about the time frame to which Mr. Zwirn responded that once submitted to the state, the state will let the college know if it was approved. Upon approval, the College will entertain applications from companies around the country, around New York and around the world. The College will ask the county to help vet some of the companies to make sure they're legitimate and they are what they say they are. He added that there have been a couple of inquiries from the West Coast, one from a national company based in Indianapolis that does energy audits. Mr. Zwirn explained that it can be a bit confusing since energy audit companies already exist in New York State and on Long Island.

Trustee Canary then asked Mr. Zwirn to clarify his statement about sending potential interests to SUNY Farmingdale. Mr. Zwirn stated that he would try to keep them in Suffolk County. He also pointed out that it's really any location that was not paying property tax beforehand so there is no loss of revenue. State lands can be used.

Trustee Morgo commented that the application is good particularly with regard to student benefits.

Chairwoman Irizarry thanked everyone and continued to move the motion for approval of the resolution. The motion carried with no opposition.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014.79 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION, SUBMISSION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S "CAMPUS PLAN FOR DESIGNATION OF TAX-FREE AREAS" UNDER THE START-UP NEW YORK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York Economic Development Law (EDL) §435, the Start-Up NY Program is an initiative to create tax free communities for new and expanding businesses on SUNY and other college campuses across the state, and

WHEREAS, the College and the County of Suffolk have identified vacant parcels of land located in Selden and Wyandanch which are proposed as Tax-Free NY Areas, and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2014, in accordance with EDL §435(1), the College provided copies of its “Campus Plan for Designation of Tax-Free Areas” to the County of Suffolk and the Towns of Brookhaven and Babylon, as well as to local economic development entities, the College Governance Council, representatives of the College’s unions, and student government, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the College President is hereby authorized to execute, submit and implement the College’s “Campus Plan for Designation of Tax-Free Areas,” annexed hereto at Attachment III.

Chairwoman Irizarry commented on the last resolution before the board regarding the amendment of the Suffolk County Community College exempt salary plan asking Assistant Vice President Tempera to explain the change from salary B to D. AVP Tempera explained that the College has eliminated the position of Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs and has changed to the positions already existing for Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The positions have been in effect at the College in the past, so it's not a creation of new titles. However, the salary plan was amended in 2011. When the salary plan was amended, it did not contain the two titles of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Vice President for Student Affairs. What this resolution is doing is simply amending the salary plan and placing the two new positions on the current salary plan in Category C, eliminating Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs in Category B, and placing the two new titles of Vice President for Academic Affairs and Vice President for Student Affairs in Category C.

Chairwoman Irizarry thanked AVP Tempera and asked if there were any questions.

Chairwoman Irizarry moved on to the committee reports beginning with the Personnel Committee. Trustee Pontieri indicated the report needed to be discussed in executive session. Chairwoman Irizarry called for the Facilities and Technology report. Trustee Lilly stated that earlier that afternoon he went on a tour with Paul Cooper, Jon DeMaio, and Neff Collazo of the Health, Sports and Education Complex on the Michael J. Grant Campus. He was shown the new flooring at the field house, which is one of three of its kind in the northeast. Trustee Lilly noted that winter track is a very large event at the College for all the local high schools. Previously, they ran on a cement type floor that is now a rubberized floor. It is expected this will increase the participation of the local schools. Trustee Lilly, stated there was an issue, with the number of bleachers, with some events requiring more than the current bleachers can hold of four thousand. He asked Dr. Adams if some of the surplus of student fees in athletics could be used to fund more bleachers in the future. Dr. Adams stated they would look into it.

Trustee Lilly stated that between the new floor and the plastering of the pool he expected there would be a draw of high school students coming in, and it would be a good opportunity to market the College and its facilities. He hopes going forward, the marketing will be emphasizing this and can help increase enrollment going forward. Trustee Lilly stated there was also a drainage project that will be environmentally friendly. One of the parking lots is sloped where it goes towards the loading dock, and every time there is a large rainfall, it backs up into the loading dock. A drain was put in and it goes to a field where they will be planting plants that will be drawing the nitrogen out of the water. This drain will be used for some classes.

Trustee Lilly noted he suggested to VP Vizzini that when there are meetings at each campus the Facilities committee could arrive prior to tour the campus and get an update of the ongoing projects. Trustee Lilly stated Dr. McKay has done a great job in marketing the school. He noted he was reading an article about some colleges that might not be the highest academic schools, more middle of the road, but they are providing amenities that people are looking for, whether it be in facilities for athletics, theater. Trustee Lilly stated the College has the facilities that can rank with some of the other colleges. Properly marketed it could be a great source of revenue for the College. Chairwoman Irizarry stated that was why the College has the word "community" in its name because the College provides opportunities, facilities, and resources to the community.

Trustee Lilly concluded his report by stated that Nick Palumbo was working on a campus-wide recycling initiative.

Chairwoman Irizarry moved on to the Finance and Budget Committee. Trustee Morgo reported the committee had last met on September 4th. He stated President McKay spoke about the efforts to increase the state contribution to the College, and particularly his work with Chairman Carl McCall. The rest of the meeting focused on the Colleges local partnership with Suffolk County. The meeting focus was to get ready for the meeting with Presiding Officer Gregory on September 8th. Trustee Morgo stated this was a follow-up to the resolution that was passed in April calling for a plan to try to avoid the past situation with the budget, where the College had to use four point three million dollars of the reserve fund of, and increase the students' tuition by two hundred fifty dollars.

Trustee Morgo stated that on September 8th he along with VP Gail Vizzini, General Counsel Lou Petrizzo, Ben Zwirn and Student Trustee Amilcar met with Presiding Officer Gregory and his aide Eric Rotundo. The focus was to come up with a plan that mitigates tuition increases, and eliminates the need to use the fund balance. Trustee Morgo reminded everyone that Middle States recommends a college should have at least 10% of its operating budget in its reserve fund balance. He reported that Presiding Officer Gregory agreed to another meeting in October and would be reaching out to Legislators and the County Executive's office.

Trustee Morgo added the person that had the most profound impact was Student Trustee Amilcar because he could talk from a personal level. Trustee Morgo stated the best thing is getting the students involved and having them talk about what the College means to them and the effects of tuition increase.

Trustee Morgo concluded his report by stating VP Vizzini has worked out a plan where the tuition increases and the use of the fund balance can be mitigated and would be sharing that at a later date. He also noted he had a conversation with Legislator Sarah Anker, to let her know that she would be part of the committee, to which she agreed. Trustee Morgo stated that Legislator Anker had mentioned that so much is already being done with the capital budget, however he thanked her for this but clarified there were two separate budgets.

Chairwoman Irizarry asked Student Trustee Amilcar if he wished to add anything regarding his experience. Student Trustee Amilcar stated he felt it was important to convey a personal view. He felt it was important to put things into perspective and give a little insight as to the day-to-day of some of the Colleges students and see how it would affect the approach in making decisions that affect the students every day.

Chairwoman Irizarry moved on to the Advocacy Committee. Trustee Shybunko-Moore stated she was on a national conference call on Tuesday, with the Aerospace Industry Association workforce committee, along with Boeing and other OEM's. The call was to discuss what is happening on a national level with workforce training. Boeing received a federal grant to work with community colleges to set up formal training and curriculum across the United States. Trustee Shybunko-Moore stated that the northeast is currently not represented. The goal is to move this forward with President McKay, John Lombardo, and the group to have Suffolk be one of the sites considered in coordination with the government to make it a site for aerospace training.

Chairwoman Irizarry congratulated Trustee Shybunko-Moore for being asked to serve on the National Women's Business Council, an appointment by the White House. Noting she would be reporting to President Obama as well as to Congress and the Small Business Administration. Trustee Shybunko-Moore thanked the Chairwoman for the acknowledgement, and stated she would continue to advocate for the College nationally.

Chairwoman Irizarry said it sounded like a great opportunity for us and said it is very encouraging knowing we have two people in the forefront on this project. Moving on to the Student Success committee, she explained that Trustee Sanders, Chair of the committee, was attending the New York Community Colleges Trustee Institute, so was absent. She asked Dr. Adams to share some comments on seamless transfer, and Dr. Adams turned it over to Dr. Pedersen. Dr. Pedersen said there would be three different items to address. He began with the Middle States update, saying in a year there will be a new report due, and the College is already working with Academic Affairs and administrative education support units to identify where people have made changes in their programs due to assessment so the College can demonstrate closing the loop activities. He said Middle States also wanted to look at the comprehensive assessment plan for institutional effectiveness to see if it is too complicated, and the strategic planning council and advisory council are looking into that. He stated there are plans for streamlining, so the College will be able to demonstrate compliance for the two main things Middle States is looking at. In addition, assessment will continue and the College is very confident that it will be able to provide an effective report to Middle States next September.

Dr. Pedersen explained that Middle States changed the number of standards from fourteen to seven. They have integrated standards and there is a new section on compliance. He said the new format is being voted on this week by members of the commission and anticipates that it will be passed. He said the College is making plans to train people so they understand what is required for the next event, the self-study, and visit which will be 2017 and '18, noting that the exact date will be known after the report is given in September. Dr. Pedersen noted that he, Dr. Laffin and Dr. Schulz have gone to trainings and there is another segment of training at the conference in Washington, D.C. this year so the attendees can come back and inform the larger college community as to what is expected from us.

Dr. Pedersen addressed the second issue, the State Education Department and registration, and our academic programs and compliance. Dr. DeLongoria reported that an audit of the program registration was done, and found there are a couple of issues. She said there are several programs listed in our books at one campus but are in fact not taught at that campus, for example, Criminal Justice, the police administration certificate. Chairwoman Irizarry informed the Trustees that a handout in the packet contained a summary of compliance issues, the verification of compliance with federal accreditation regulations, and the requirements of affiliation of standards of accreditation, and those documents should be sufficient to understand the issues being discussed.

Dr. DeLongoria gave an explanation of the summary of compliance issues, starting with the police administration certificate, noting it is registered on the Eastern Campus although we offer it at Grant, and Nursing, where the Grant day program is not shown in the New York State registration. She said we have solutions to some of the problems but wanted to talk about the issues and what happened. She said the current catalogue indicates the Ammerman campus has two distinct programs, Liberal Arts and Sciences programs. However, the SUNY inventory of registry and the New York State NYSID program registry reflect that there is one combined program, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Humanities and Social Science as one degree. She said this dates back to 1963 and 1964, and is not a recent mistake.

As to what action to take, Dr. DeLongoria said the Nursing issue is pretty much settled, that SUNY will put in paperwork for a technical change which should be reflected mid-October. She said the other issues will take a bit longer to resolve, including making sure current students are enrolled on the appropriate campuses, where we have the program registered. She explained that students will be notified, and they are looking to see how many students are affected and then go from there. Dr. DeLongoria said that Banner is also being adjusted so new students can't register or apply to a campus where the program is not registered, so the concern now is only with current students.

Dr. DeLongoria explained that the Liberal Arts and Sciences with a Humanities emphasis is on the books at Grant, but is not reflected in Banner, nor the catalogue. She said one of the things her office is proposing to do in collaboration with the Executive Deans, Campus Deans and faculty is to reactivate it so that program is listed, and to do the course curriculum revisions with the programs that are not registered correctly. She explained that one of the problems is to make sure to get the courses below sixty-four credits, as SUNY will not let the College fix anything unless it is below this threshold.

Dr. DeLongoria went on to report an issue with naming, where some program titles are registered one way with New York State and a different way in our catalogue, giving as examples: ASL English Interpretation registered with the state and American Sign Language in the catalog; Criminal Justice is Police according to the state but is Criminal Justice in the catalog; culinary is really Food Service Administration/ Culinary Arts but the College advertises Culinary Arts/Baking and Pastry Arts, Food Service Administration; Diet Tech Nutrition Care is in the catalog as Diet Tech; Fire Science is in our catalog as Fire Protection Technology Certificate; Liberal Arts and Sciences, Women Agenda Studies is Liberal Arts and Sciences, Women's Studies. She said when the programs were first created, they were submitted with the title in the first column, and as times changed, and the disciplines changed, the College kept up with the times and changed the title accordingly but that didn't get reported to SUNY and to the state. She said that will be fixed but again, SUNY won't fix anything until it is in compliance with the sixty-four credit issue.

Trustee Morgo said that is why they're asking for more money. Dr. Pedersen said these may seem like arbitrary things, but are actually very important because the State Education Department is very strict about naming conventions and how colleges register programs. He said they want to make sure that a program is registered on a particular campus, and that when you register that program, there is a lengthy application that asks about all the things available to the students, so they can make sure that the colleges have all the resources needed. He said they want colleges to prove there is a demand for that particular program and are very strict about this, adding that the College has been rather lucky that it has not gone through a State Education Department audit, where it would have a serious problem. He said many colleges in New York State have had to undergo a State Department audit, so we would like to correct all these things that have happened over the years.

Trustee Morgo asked if this could affect a student's degree status. Dr. Pedersen answered right now it won't. He explained that they are having students move their campus so they can take all the courses available on the campus and they will be registered on the campus that is accordance with the State Education Department. He said in the future, the College cannot publicize it offers a degree on a particular campus unless it's registered with the State Education Department. Trustee Morgo added "under the right name". Trustee Canary asked if this was the result of State Ed pointing this out to the College or of a comprehensive review that the College has done. Dr. DeLongoria answered our own review, and Trustee Canary asked if these are all the problems she picked up. Dr. DeLongoria answered yes, in this area so far. Dr. Pedersen explained that in the area of registration these were the problems but the College does have some difficulty in, for instance, SUNY's general education requirements. He said for an Associate's degree, SUNY expects students to have seven out of ten requirements addressed within their degree, and the College has some programs that have not met that. He said the State Education Department requires that an AA has 75% of its credits in Liberal Arts and Sciences, an AS will have 50% in Liberal Arts and Sciences, and AAS, 33% percent in Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the College has several programs that don't meet that as well. Dr. Pedersen said the College is working to redo the programs to make sure they comply with the State Education Department and what SUNY wants, that all of those have been identified and his team is working with the departments.

Dr. Pedersen then addressed SUNY student transfer issues and Dr. DeLongoria explained this was an internal audit done out of Academic Affairs. Trustee Canary pointed out this is important to Middle States accreditation as well. Dr. Pedersen said Middle States is looking at federal, local and state compliance, as well as compliance with SUNY and certainly with the State Education Department, and the College is making an effort to make sure it is in compliance with all of those. He explained that the SUNY student transfer is designed to align community college curricula to provide the first two years of study in a program so that a student can transfer to a four year institution as a true junior. He said the credits should align with those in the SUNY transfer paths which outline the courses taken in the first two years of a four year degree, and that AA, AAS and AS degrees are mandated to contain no more than 64 credits. He stated the number of credits SUNY has established is manageable in two years of study, and that all curricula revisions must be established by December, 2014 and implemented by fall 2015.

Dr. Pedersen said all associates degrees must contain a minimum of 60 credits, and there is an opportunity for a limited number of waivers for the 64 credit maximum if a program makes a compelling case for exceeding 64, and no unnecessary credits are part of a curriculum. He explained unnecessary credits pertain to local requirements, for instance, an unrestricted elective or a course over and above what a program would need, and that physical education is included in this category. He said programs exceeding 64 credits because of Freshman Seminar, a one 1.5 credit course, will likely be approved, as long as no unnecessary credits are part of the 64. He then said all waivers the College has sent to the State University of New York have been denied that none of the waivers were seriously entertained because all contained physical education, which SUNY considers unnecessary. He said he, Dr. McKay, and Dean Brown talked with Mr. Hildebrand [of SUNY Academic Programs and Planning] about the issue, and were told if a program contains physical education and exceeds 64 credits it will not be considered.

Chairwoman Irizarry asked if physical education is a local requirement and Dr. Pedersen answered yes, adding it doesn't fulfill any program requirements for SUNY and it is often not transfer at all. He said if it does transfer, most four year schools do not have a P.E. requirement and it will sometimes just transfer as a general elective. He explained that Physical Education, two one credit classes, is a College local requirement but is currently registered as part of program curricula with the State Education Department. He said traditionally, the P.E. requirement was for full time day students, with part-time and weekend student receiving an automatic waiver. He said this presents two immediate concerns for the Board. He explained that the College must go through SUNY to register programs through the State Education Department and with all the problems we have to correct we need SUNY as a partner. He said many programs have to decide whether to drop PE or drop a content course to meet the SUNY mandate.

Trustee Lindsay Sullivan asked how many programs are in compliance. Dr. Pedersen replied about ten at present, out of about 72 programs ranging from 62.5 to 72 credits. Dr. DeLongoria pointed out the breakdown in the handout and said all but ten exceed the cap, with 24 over by two credits, 5 over by 2.3, and 36 at 67 or more.

Dr. Pedersen repeated that SUNY will allow going over the 64 credit limit with the Freshman Seminar if everything is necessary. He presented three different scenarios to the Board worked out with Dr. DeLongoria, Dean Brown and Dr. Adams, saying it can impact financial aid. In scenario one, he said, the College maintains physical education as a local requirement of two credits, still to be part of 64 credit maximum, and most programs will need to be reworked to comply. He said with two P.E. credits and 1.5 for Freshman Seminar, that will take up 3.5 credits in any curriculum sent for registration, leaving 60.5 credits for academic programs to fulfill all the Liberal Arts and Sciences requirements, 75% for the AA, 50% for the AS, 33% for the AAS and seven of ten courses in SUNY general education requirements, plus other local requirements the College has put into its program over the years. He said many programs will find this difficult to accomplish, and most programs are reticent to drop a content course to comply with SUNY while retaining P.E. He said the College receives a FTE reimbursement of \$450,000 for P.E. and that would continue.

Dr. Pedersen continued, saying in scenario 2, the College sends curricula to SUNY without Physical Education, but continues to keep the two credits as a local requirement. He said according to the financial aid office, federal regulation Pell, SEOG, FWS and some loans would not allow reimbursement for P.E. because it would not be part of the student's program, and all courses must apply towards the student's degree or certificate or can be remedial work to help the student in his or her course of study; therefore the College will not receive FTE reimbursement of the \$450,000, and will continue to pay the salaries. He said State aid would allow some reimbursement if the courses are taken as electives. Chairwoman Irizarry asked if the student have to pay for that. Dr. Pedersen said they would not, but if it's 12 credits, they would have to pay. Anything over 18 credits for a full time student with P.E. they would have to pay. Chairwoman Irizzary wanted confirmation that financial aid will not cover that and Dr. Pedersen explained students whose financial aid will not cover P.E. will have to pay the full tuition of two one credit courses or \$366.

Moving on to scenario 3, Dr. Pedersen said if the College drops P.E. as a requirement, 22 programs would be in compliance, another five would be two credits over, but would be waiver worthy, seven are included. He said obviously it will be easier for programs to meet the requirement without losing content courses, and the College can then submit waivers for programs in need of the 60 or 64 credit maximum and SUNY will entertain the waivers. He said unfortunately it will affect jobs, a serious concern, with currently ten full-time faculty affected. He explained that some are utilized in other program areas and some can be redeployed, but most adjuncts will be unnecessary, as it is not expected there will be a large call for physical education if it is not mandated. He said the College will lose the FTE reimbursement, but will not have to pay adjunct salaries and associated costs.

Chairwoman Irizarry said she did not see the three scenarios here, looking at her notes as the issues were deliberated. Trustee Morgo stated it is confusing and asked why SUNY cares if a student takes more than 64 credits. Dr. Pedersen answered that a lot of it has to do with financial aid, SUNY doesn't want the College's financial aid agents paying for things students don't need. He said another issue is they want to run the students through more rapidly, feeling it's a retention effort. He explained students come in needing remedial work and the longer that is, the

more students the College loses, and they want to tighten it up to be in alignment with the four year school; They feel that sixty-four credits is what you can do in two years comfortably.

Trustee Morgo asked if the College was one of many or one of few community colleges requiring Phys Ed. Dr. Pedersen said there are several, including Onondaga and Sullivan, and there are six that dropped it as a requirement for this purpose. Chairwoman Irizarry commented that it is ironic that this devaluing of Phys Ed is not aligned with First Lady Obama's great health initiative including the importance of physical education. Dr. McKay added that one of SUNY's strategic plan goals is a healthier New York yet Phys Ed can't be counted as part of course requirements. He said there are campuses that have decided to remove Phys Ed, but that Suffolk has tenured faculty in this discipline, and will work with the Faculty Association and the Guild to train and place them if the Board directs the College to be in compliance with SUNY. He added that Middle States has a compliance side as well and the College would have to report to them if it is not in compliance with SUNY. He said programs requiring modification that go for review will be sent back, that already 12 were submitted and denied.

Trustee Morgo asked when does the College have to make a decision, and Dr. Pedersen said very soon according to the SUNY timeline. Dr. Pedersen repeated that SUNY would like plans put in place by December and implemented by next September. Trustee Morgo noted a decision needed to be made at the October meeting, and Dr. Pedersen agreed.

Dr. McKay pointed out that the decision on how to proceed will impact how the College goes about correcting the programs, and using the naming conventions, but the internal audit also would have forced us to make a decision one way or the other by October, and dictate exactly how to proceed with the corrections. Trustee Morgo asked, since the decision had to be made by October, if the administration could come up with a suggestion as policymakers. He said he didn't know if his colleagues agreed that Physical Education is an integral part of the curriculum, and that it would be the Trustee's preference that the local requirement stay.

Chairwoman Irizarry said that is for the Trustees to discuss, and that it is a good starting point for us to have the three scenarios to look at and digest, and as Trustee Morgo said, see what would be the recommendation. She said the presenters were the experts, and the Trustees can make decisions and give direction. Trustee Canary said his personal perspective is that it is a terrible statement when as a nation we are battling morbid obesity and trying to encourage all segments of society to get more physical education, to say we don't require Phys Ed because of this situation. Trustee Morgo agree that it is not jiving with what the message coming from Washington. Trustee Pontieri pointed out that students transferring from here to another school may have that requirement. Chairwoman Irizarry said not in SUNY, this is only a SUNY decision. Trustee Canary said he was sure some of the majors require Phys Ed as part of the majors and if students transfer outside the SUNY system they are going to be hurt because of this.

Dr. Pedersen said the College could offer physical education, but not mandate it and with a very small number of Physical Education courses. He said students, especially those trying to juggle work schedules would be happy not to be required to take Phys Ed, and the reality is that they're probably not going to take it if they don't see that it's going to get them something. Chairwoman

Irizarry said her understanding is if the College doesn't have Physical Education as a local requirement, that does not mean the College wouldn't offer it, but it will be optional with the understanding if it's beyond the 64 credits, it is not because it is required by the College. Trustee Lindsay Sullivan asked for a list and said as an alum she took badminton and volleyball, neither has had an impact on her life. Chairwoman Irizarry said the College has a robust intramural program, and suggested providing experience for the students and retain faculty through that program. Dr. Pedersen said he had a conversation with Dr. Adams about what can be done, and Trustee Gardy Amilcar was suggesting offering programs through another venue as the College wants to make sure that it does offer these things for our students. Chairwoman Irizarry added that the College would be doing what it is promising to do. Dr. Pedersen acknowledged none of the options are great.

Chairwoman Irizarry offered thanks and asked for the Governance committee report. Trustee Canary stated they haven't had their first meeting yet, and needed to come up with a date to put it together to advertise the committee meetings. He asked if that was required and Mr. Petrizzo answered no, it is not. Trustee Canary said those who expressed interest in serving on a committee working with counsel's office will have to come up with a date in the next few weeks, and he would be in touch and get the next meeting under way.

Chairwoman Irizarry moved on to her report. Chairwoman Irizarry stated that she along with Trustee Sanders and Student Trustee Amilcar would be attending the New York Community College Trustee conference. She stated they would be joining former Trustee Walter Hazlitt who would be going to be honored for his contribution and legacy to the Board of Trustees and the College.

Chairwoman Irizarry stated it was a pleasure and honor to have Trustee Lindsay-Sullivan join the board. Stating the board had a great experience with her father, and was very dear to them. Noting the College was naming one of its new buildings after him.

Chairwoman Irizarry called for the President's Report. Dr. McKay introduced Assistant Director Renee Ortiz and Director Russell Marlborough to provide an update on the College Foundation. Mrs. Ortiz stated Mr. Malbrough had a scheduling conflict and had to leave, she noted his presentation was summarized in the material that was distributed. Ms. Ortiz also stated that Interim Director Sylvia Diaz sent her regrets for not being at the meeting and was out of the country.

Ms. Ortiz stated that in addition to the information the Board received in the Foundation's update, Ms. Diaz asked her to share a few additional notes with the Board. She stated the golf outing event was successful and was excited to see the Foundation fulfilled its revenue expectations. Ms. Ortiz added that more recently, the Foundation co-sponsored the academic convocation where the keynote speaker was Mr. Eric Martinez, a current member of the Foundation Board and Suffolk County Community College alum. She announced a new Board member at the Foundation, Mr. Brian Peterson, and said the staff was excited to have him on

board and was happy that he shares his expertise, being a CPA. Ms. Ortiz said that any additional or ongoing projects will be updated at the next board meeting.

Trustee Canary told Ms. Ortiz he was at the golf outing dinner and didn't win anything in the raffle. Trustee Alvarez-Groneman told her she did win. Dr. McKay said in every major event the College hosts, or the College participates in, the Foundation is well represented, and will be at the ribbon cutting ceremony as well.

Chairwoman Irizarry thanked the Trustees that were able to make the golf dinner, Trustees Alvarez-Groneman, Canary, Amilcar, Jim Morgo, Cliff, as well as herself, for supporting the Foundation. Dr. McKay announced that concluded his report. Trustee Alvarez Groneman announced that there would be a Home Expo at the College the next day and asked anyone available to come. She thanked Ms. Ortiz for doing a great job.

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Chairwoman Irizarry moved onto the Roundtable session. Trustee Morgo asked if the audience would indulge him with something personal he wanted to talk about. He joked that because of the performance of his beloved Boston Red Sox this year; he would not be talking about them, but would be giving all his emotional energy to his alma mater, of Boston College, and the fact that they beat the number nine team in the country, University of Southern California Saturday night. He pointed out a red bandana he had with him, and then told a story of a Boston College graduate, Wells Crowther whose trade mark was a red bandana. Like so many other kids Mr. Crowther went into finance and became an equities trader at the World Trade Center. Mr. Morgo related how on September 11, 2001, Wells Crowther came down from the eighty-second to the seventieth floor and led a group of people down to safety, then went back up and led another group down and then went up a third time, and when the second plane hit he was lost. He said that several months later, he wasn't found, but his parents heard some of the survivors who were led to safety say it was by a young man in a red bandana. His parents recounted how always, from when he was six, and was given the red bandana he carried it with him. Trustee Morgo stated likes to think that it says something about the values of his college of service to others, and wanted everybody to remember this when ESPN talks about the basketball point scandal.

Mr. Morgo then said that he and Mr. Pontieri wanted to discuss the RFQ that was prepared for independent counsel, and said it was a resolution that was passed in April, he thought 2013, and has gone around. He expressed hope that it would not be for a regular position or a full position, but would only be used in cases of conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest, or where special expertise was used. He said he hoped the Board could take action on the matter as soon as possible. Trustee Pontieri said he thought Mr. Canary had mentioned the issue of the governance committee getting together, as it may be something they may want to review. Trustee Canary said he wholeheartedly concurred that this is an issue that should be taken up with the governance committee and then get back to Trustee Pontieri. Trustee Morgo agreed it was very reasonable to go over it and get it closer. Trustee Canary asked that it be added on to the Governance Committee agenda.

The Chairwoman stated she wanted to make it clear this was prepared by Suffolk County Attorney Dennis Brown, and when Trustees Morgo and Pontieri shared it with her, she asked that General Counsel Petrizzo look at it and provide feedback, as well as SUNY Counsel, Donna Bullock, who was the presenter for the retreat last month. She said she was sure by next month they could conclude this long journey. Trustee Canary said they would shoot for that. Trustee Morgo said that everybody had a copy.

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Chairwoman Irizarry requested a motion to go into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons for matter of litigation at 5:50 p.m. Chairwoman Irizarry stated there would be no further business after the executive session. Trustee Morgo so moved, Trustee Alvarez-Groneman seconded, the motion was approved unanimously.

With no further action, the meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. The Board of Trustees next meeting is October 16, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in room 114 of Captree Commons on the Michael J. Grant Campus, in Brentwood, New York.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary