

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Minutes of the Tuesday, September 15, 2020
Virtual WEBEX PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bergen Community College was held on Tuesday, **September 15, 2020**, as a Virtual WebEx Teleconference Meeting. Chairman Gerard L. Carroll called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. and the following announcement was made:

The Bergen Community College Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for today Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 5:06 p.m. will take place remotely. No physical meeting will take place. Rather, and in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting will take place electronically through WebEx.

Instructions for the public to participate have been posted on the homepage of the Bergen Community College website, and in addition to the notice being posted on the website, an email was distributed to all BCC personnel and the information was uploaded to the electronic sign as you enter the Paramus Campus.

All members of the public, whether accessing via the web or telephone, will have the opportunity to offer comments during the public comment portion of the meeting.

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Bergen Community College

Notice of Special Public Meetings

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the Board of Trustees of Bergen Community College will hold special meetings on the dates and times below for the purpose of discussing the College's 2020 Fall Reopening Plan.

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.; and

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

The discussion may be held in executive session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.(6).

The meetings will be held virtually via WebEx. The meetings shall provide for public comment, and instruction for members of the public to access the meetings which will be posted on the Bergen Community College website at www.bergen.edu prior to the meetings.

Formal action may be taken at the meetings.

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ROLL CALL

Present

Ms. Dorothy Blakeslee
Mr. Gerard L. Carroll
Mr. Patrick J. Fletcher
Mr. Mark Longo
Ms. Ritzy Moralez-Diaz
Mr. Stephen F. Pellino, Esq.
Dr. Sheetal Ranjan
Mr. Adam Silverstein
Mr. Robert Krasowski

Also Present

Dr. Anthony Ross, Interim President
Ms. Arlene Q. Perez, Esq., DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole and Giblin, L.L.P.
Mr. Timothy Burger, Technical Director, Information Technology Services

Regrets

Mr. Joseph Barreto
Mr. Louis DeLisio
Ms. Krista Flinn

At 5:12 p.m. Chairman Carroll requested a motion to enter into executive session.

On behalf of Chairman Carroll, "Pursuant to section 12b of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the following matters will be discussed by the Board in closed session they are:
Tactics and techniques regarding public safety. The discussion will become public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists."

A motion was made by Trustee Blakeslee and seconded by Vice Chairman Silverstein.

All trustees were in favor. Motion passed.

At 6:15 p.m. Chairman Carroll requested a motion to return to the board meeting.
A motion was made by Trustee Fletcher and seconded by Trustee Longo.
All were in favor. Motion passed.

Upon conclusion of the Executive Session, Mrs. J. Verrone, Esq. read the following two Institutional resolutions: 1 & 2 for formal action by the board members.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION
Institutional 1
APPROVAL DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

Resolution

Authorizing the appointment of Dr. Lawrence Hlavenka, Jr. as Covid-19 Reopening Coordinator

Action Requested

Approving the appointment of Dr. Lawrence Hlavenka to serve as the Reopening Coordinator for the College until further action of the Board, at a stipend of \$1,000 per month to be reimbursed from the CARES Act funds.

Justification

As the College prepares to reopen for Fall 2020 in a manner that is intended to provide a safe environment while Covid-19 remains a threat to public health, and since the College will have to continue to adapt to changing circumstances that may arise as a result of Covid-19, the College will require the services of a coordinator to monitor the College's implementation of its Reopening Plan, direct day to day adjustments in implementation, as required, to maintain the effectiveness of the Reopening Plan, and report to the Board and the College President regarding the status of implementation, and make such recommendations as deemed necessary to adjust implementation as the need arises.

Chairman Carroll requested a motion approving Institutional 1.
A motion was made by Trustee Morales-Diaz and seconded by Trustee Ranjan.
Motion approved.

Roll Call Vote for approval of resolution Institutional 1.

Mr. Joseph A. Barreto - Absent
Ms. Dorothy Blakeslee - Yes
Mr. Gerard L. Carroll – Yes
Mr. Louis DeLisio – Absent
Mr. Patrick J. Fletcher - Yes
Ms. Krista J. Flinn – Absent
Mr. Mark Longo – Yes
Ms. Ritzy Morales-Diaz – Yes
Mr. Stephen F. Pellino, Esq. - Yes
Dr. Sheetal Ranjan – Yes
Mr. Adam Silverstein – Yes
Mr. Robert Krasowski - Yes

Votes – 9 Yes and 3 Absent.
Motion passed.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION
Institutional 2
APPROVAL DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

Resolution

Approving the September 15, 2020 Reopening Plan for Fall 2020 Reopening

Action Requested

Approving the September 15, 2020 Reopening Plan for Fall 2020 Reopening of the College, and authorizing submittal of the this more detailed Plan to the Office of Secretary of Higher Education and dissemination of the Plan to the College Community

Justification

The September 15, 2020 Reopening Plan sets forth the College's detailed plan and preparations for reopening for Fall 2020 in a manner intended to provide a safe environment while Covid-19 remains a threat to public health. The Reopening Plan will be filed with the Office of Secretary of Higher Education and disseminated to the College Community as soon as possible, but not later than September 16, 2020, in anticipation of the limited return to campus of students, faculty and staff on Monday, September 21, 2020.

Chairman Carroll requested a motion approving Institutional 2.
A motion was made by Trustee Blakeslee and seconded by Trustee Longo.
Motion approved.

Roll Call Vote for approval of resolution Institutional 2.

Mr. Joseph A. Barreto - Absent
Ms. Dorothy Blakeslee - Yes
Mr. Gerard L. Carroll – Yes
Mr. Louis DeLisio – Absent
Mr. Patrick J. Fletcher - Yes
Ms. Krista J. Flinn – Absent
Mr. Mark Longo – Yes
Ms. Ritzy Moralez-Diaz – Yes
Mr. Stephen F. Pellino, Esq. - Yes
Dr. Sheetal Ranjan – Yes
Mr. Adam Silverstein – Yes
Mr. Robert Krasowski - Yes

Votes – 9 Yes and 3 Absent.
Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BOARD MEMBERS

No unfinished business was raised by the trustees. Chairman Carroll requested a motion to close the Unfinished Business portion for Board Members. A motion was made by Trustee Moralez-Diaz and seconded by Trustee Longo. All were in favor. The Unfinished Business portion of the meeting was closed.

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NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Ranjan will distribute an email to board members information regarding the budget.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No representatives from public spoke.
Chairman Carroll closed the Public Session.

ADJOURNMENT

As no further business was brought before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Carroll asked for a motion to adjourn the board meeting.

Trustee Longo made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Moralez-Diaz.

All trustees were in favor.

The board meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Thank you,
Trustee Dorothy Blakeslee, Treasurer, on behalf of Secretary, Joseph Barreto
Board of Trustees