Dean Curley introduced:
Mat Mueller -Assistant Professor/English

Charles Park -Assistant Professor/English

Dean Kaminski introduced:
Wendy Meehan -Assistant Professor/Business

Bruce Winn -Assistant Professor/Life Sciences

b. 413 STEM Ready

Gina Foley, Assistant Professor of Life Sciences was the coordinator for the 413 STEM Ready

Scholars Program. Ms. Foley gave a PowerPoint presentation with updates on the program.

The program was a partnership between Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (MCLA),

Berkshire Community College (BCC), Greenfield Community College (GCC), and Holyoke

Community College (HCC).

awe will produce the best-educated citizenry and workforce in the nation. We will be a national

leader in research that drIves economic development”

The projects mission:

• Enhance student success in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

(STEM).

• Support Vision Project goals of College Access, Workforce Readiness, and Elimination

of DisparitIes.

• Influence student interest to build excitement about STEM learning and workforce

preparation.

Phase 1: an intensive summer residency hosted at MCLA (413 STEM Ready Academy)

Phase 2: a series of programs delivered at BCC throughout the academic year (413 STEM

Ready Scholars) that reinforce and supplement the content of the residency program

Program as it relates to the Vision Project

Goal — FY17 Target

College Completion/Workforce Alignment j From current levels, increase the

Increase the number of partner community! completion rate for STEM majors to 70%.

college students who complete STEM

program.

Student Learning: Improve student Achieve 80% completIon rate in STEM

persistence year to year and in on-time courses. 90% in prerequisite math courses.

completion of STEM courses, particularly in

prerequIsite mathematics.

• Elimination of Disparities: Close Improve the retention and graduation rates

achievement gaps for students at risk to for underrepresented students by 2%

drop out of or fall to graduate on time form I annually at each partner campus (6%

their college, with a focus on:

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improvement by FY17).

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c. Sabbatical Report

John Osthoff, Professor of Computer Informations Systems used a PowerPoint presentation

to report his sabbatical research on the 015 Networking Program.

Professor Osthoff expressed the following reasons for the needed program change.

• Market shifts in networking skills

• Staying current with industry standards

• Increased demand for introductory course

• Enable student to acquire skills for immediate use on the job

Osthoff expressed the importance of having a CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Associate) Certificate. BCC’s certificatIon can lead to CCNA. The CCNA will prepare IT professionals for the abIlIty to install and configure routed and switched networks, while applying the basic principles of operation and troubleshooting. Cisco certified Network professional (CCNP) is number 9 on the list of highest paying technical certifications.

CCENT Is the new pre-requisite certification for advanced technoio certifications.

CCIS Networking curriculum aligns to the redesign of the Cisco CCENT and CCNA Routing and Switching certIfications exams.

Each course will run ½ a semester.

Introduction to Networks (1st half of 1t semester). Routing and Switching Essentials (2 half of 1’ semester), CCENT Certification

Scaling Networks (1 half of 2W semester), Connecting Networks (2nd half of 21W semester), CCNA

Reworking the course flow will:

• Optimize for student employment opportunities with CCENT as the foundation to

pursue advanced technologIes.
• Enable students to acquire skills for immediate use on the job.

• Students learn switching earlier in instructional flow.
These courses provide the best response to industry skills and provide students with more options to specialized skills in the

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SCA has been very active, SCA will be holding a taks. sale on October 9th to raise money for the

American Heart Assocatiun Heart Walk, which will be held at the Paterscn F1eid House on Octcber

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c. Finance

David Dilulis, Principal from Otonnor & Drew presented the BCC’s audited financial

statements.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to accept the

report as presented.

Vice President Law provided the board with an overview of the FY14 and FY15 budgets, with

a $367,683 surplus in FY14 and a projected breakeven budget for FY15.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Final FY15 Budget for Berkshire Community College as presented.

Upon a motIon duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Final FY15 Expense Budget in the amount of $19,160,772, which is comprised of the following:

State Appropriation 101536.947

General Purpose Trust 7,477,655

LjfelongLearning Trust 652,225

Designated Trust 126.000

Student Government Thus! 110.700

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d. Human Resources

Trustee Laurens reported:

The committee met on Monday, September 22, 2014 to discuss the board self-evaluation

form that was used last year. The form was distributed to the Board by email with a Survey Monkey link to the evaluation. The collected responses wIll be reviewed at tomorrow’s committee meeting.

e. Nominating
Trustee Caccaviello reported:

The committee met on Monday, October 6th and discussed pulling together a pool of Individuals to draw from when filling future vacancies.

A form was handed out to all board members for them to provide suggestions for prospective

trustees.

Caccaviello Introduced BOC’s newly appointed trustee, Douglas Crane.

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6) ADMINISTRATIVEfrCTIONS

a. Personnel Actions

Personnel actions were presented as follows:

Reappointments -Faculty and Unit Professionals
Upon a motion duly made and seconded, It was VOTED unanimously to approve

the personnel actions for the period August 20, 2014 through September 29,

2014.
7) OTHER BUSINESS

a. Old -None.

b. New-

President Kennedy talked about the Statewide Trustee Conference offered by the Department

of HIgher Education on September 23 and asked those who attended to talk about the

sessions they participated in.

Board members wIll brIng their trustee handbooks to the next board meeting for updating by

the President’s office.

c. Upcoming Events -President Kennedy reviewed the upcoming events.

8) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be held on December

2, 2014.

Respectfully submitted.
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Darlene Rodowicz,