



BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

MINUTES OF TRUSTEES MEETING
December 1, 2015

1. CONVENING

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Berkshire Community College was held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 in the General Bartlett Room, Susan B. Anthony Building. Board Chair Rodowicz called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

PRESENT: Chair Rodowicz; Vice Chair Caccaviello; Trustees Bradway, Dindio, Hiltbold, McGovern, Mirante and Student Trustee Garcia Diaz

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President Kennedy announced three upcoming retirements. Vice President Fran Feinerman, Dean Anna Foss and Dean Tom Curley, all will be retiring at the end of this academic year.

BCC held a press conference on November 9th announcing BCC's Title III Grant, an award of

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almost \$2 million. Chair Rodowicz was the master of ceremonies. With that will come the addition

of [REDACTED] positions for [REDACTED] approval at the next board meeting

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Why Become a TRIO Student?

- Support and guidance within the BCC system
- Math, Writing and Oral Communications help available daily
- Academic support
- Help from peers
- Stress reduction – life management support
- TRIO Talks
- Cultural events

Student Outcomes

- The past two valedictorians have been TRIO students
- 42 TRIO students graduated in May 2015
 - 10 were members of PTK
 - 15 with honors or high honors
- 6 TRIO students transferred to 4 year schools prior to graduation
- 2 former TRIO grads were honored at RPI for their scholastic achievements One is graduating from Smith in June.

Three TRIO students (Tony Xiong, Jennifer Mercier, Tyrone Keels) spoke to the Board about their experiences in the TRIO program and how much TRIO has contributed to their success. Kevin Bolidero, a BCC graduate, who is now attending the Elms, also spoke about his

- Each employee must provide to his or her employer, an acknowledgement of receipt

- Online training every two years (new employees within 30 days) – the next training will be the spring of 2016
- Commission allows public employers to develop a list of positions that are exempt from distribution and /online training (unpaid volunteers or short-term, temporary compensated positions): Do not exercise governmental authority and participate in or

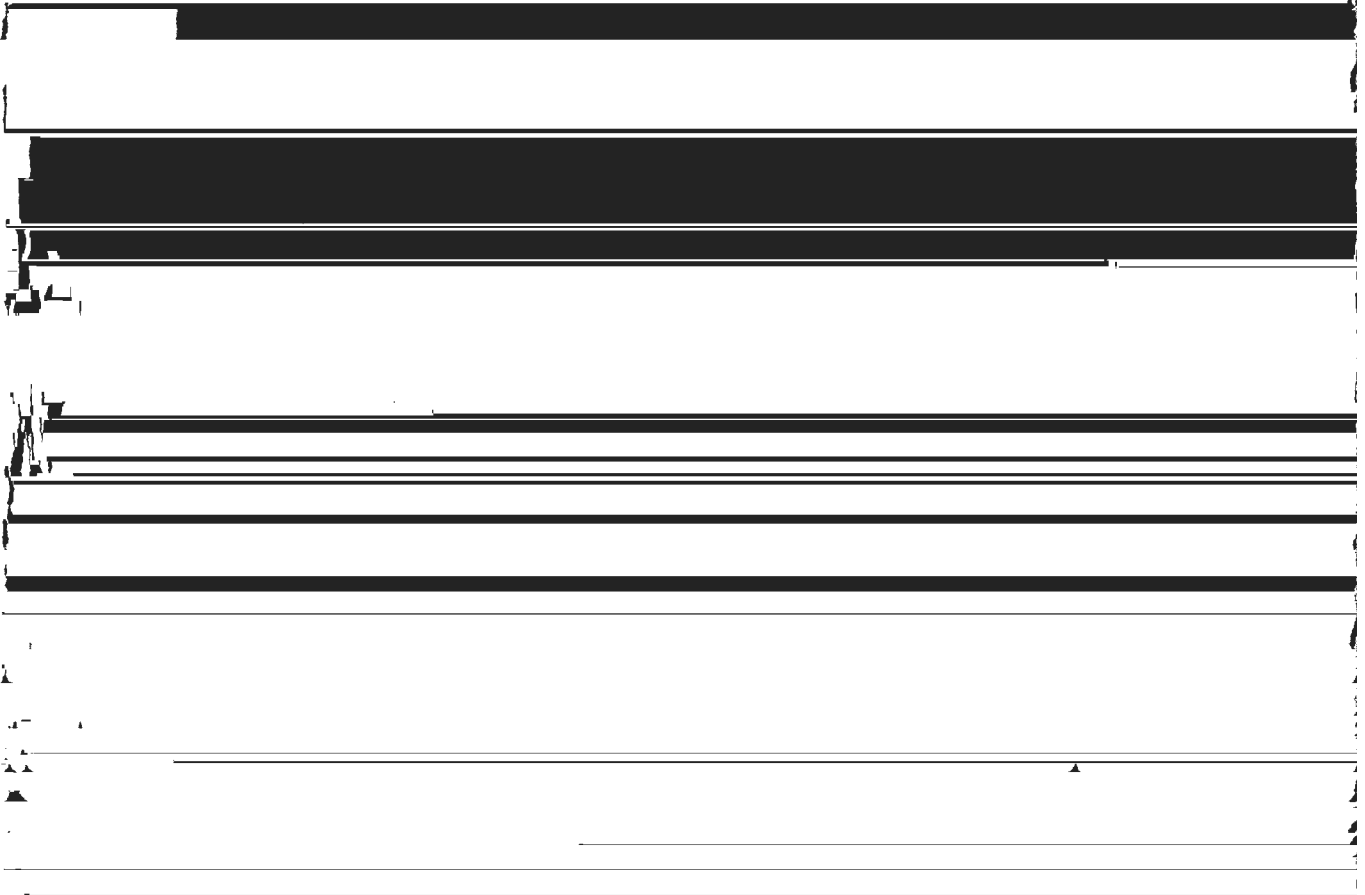
Sports

- BCC's soccer team finished up a very successful season, playing three home games under the lights.
- BCC's basketball team will have a scrimmage on December 5th at Simons Rock and will participate in a Holiday Tournament on December 19th in Connecticut.

On November 9th, at a press conference which Congressman Richard Neal attended, Gladys spoke on the students behalf, regarding BCC's award of the Title III Grant by the Federal Department of Education.

5. ALUMNI TRUSTEE REPORT

Trustee Wilfred gave a brief update on the BCC Alumni Board. There are seven new members



An ice-breaker was held in order for members to get to know each other.

6. FOUNDATION BOARD TRUSTEE REPORT

c. Finance

Vice Chair Dindio introduced John Law, Vice President for Administration & Finance/CFO. Vice President Law presented the first quarter trust fund report.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the Berkshire Community College FY16 Trust Fund Report for the quarter ending September 30, 2015.

Trustee Dindio spoke to the Board regarding the wired and wireless network/telephony solution as discussed by the Finance Committee over the last three committee meetings.

Rick Wilson, Director of IT explained to the Board the benefits this upgrade will provide to the students and staff of BCC. This solution will increase the bandwidth about tenfold.



8. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

a. Personnel Actions

Personnel actions were presented, consisting of:

- Appointments – Non-Unit Professionals
- Reappointments – Faculty
- Reappointments – Unit Professionals

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the personnel actions for the period August 18, 2015 through November 23, 2015.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- Old – None.
- New – None.
- Upcoming Events – President Kennedy reviewed the upcoming events, including the unveiling of BCC's new Falcon's logo at 3:30 tomorrow (December 2nd) in the gym at Paterson.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be held on January 26, 2016.

DATE: December 20, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

