# **Athens Technical College**

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 19, 2022 9:00 A.M.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Kyle Brown Mrs. Barbara Cabaniss Mrs. Rebecca Dally Mrs. Ruth Tellano-Daniel

Mr. Tom Denny Mr. Steve Hollis Judge Robert Motley Judge Lawton Stephens

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mayor Fred Perriman Dr. Reginald Woods

## CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chair Rebecca Dally called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. welcoming everyone to the April board meeting.

## **SWEARING IN RUTH TELLANO-DANIEL**

Judge Lawton Stephens swore in Ruth Tellano-Daniel, new board member from Hart County.

# **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Dr. Daniel presented Barbara Cabaniss with flowers and an Athens Technical College watch. Mrs. Cabaniss is retiring from the board after serving nine years. Dr. Daniel read her resolution and made it an official part of the board's records. Dr. Daniel thanked Mrs. Cabaniss for everything she has done for the college and community. Mrs. Cabaniss spoke about her time on the board.

Teresa Bowles, Program Chair for the Cosmetology Program, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Athens Technical College Cosmetology Industry Careers. The Cosmetology Department offers diplomas in Cosmetology and Barbering. It also offers Technical Certificates of Credit (TCCs) in Hair Designer, Barbering for Cosmetologists, Esthetician, and Shampoo Technician. The Cosmetology Program is offered on all four of our campuses.

Students learn classroom curriculum in a Pivot Point Learn About Beauty (LAB). Students then learn practicum curriculum during their practicals in which they are working with clients. They have to complete the Georgia State Board and TCSG lab sheets, 1,500 Georgia State Board credit hours, and simulated State Board exams.

They have added a Money By Qnity program this semester which uses visual tools and practices to help future beauty and wellness professionals succeed with their money. It will help students master financial challenges that await them after graduation.

The Cosmetology Program provides live work lab experiences including hair styling, esthetics, and nail services. Students are able to get jobs as a technician, salon/spa/ barber shop manager or owner, education, makeup artist, or platform artist after graduating from the program.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Dally called for approval of the March minutes. Steve Hollis made a motion to approve the minutes and Barbara Cabaniss seconded the motion with the remainder of the board in agreement. The minutes were approved.

# FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Kathryn Thomas presented the Budget Amendments. There are several budget amendments from TCSG as well as an external grant from Savannah Technical College. Ms. Thomas asked for approval of the budget amendments. Steve Hollis made a motion to approve and Tom Denny seconded the motion with the remainder of the board in agreement. The budget amendments were approved.

Ms. Thomas presented the Financial Report as of March 31, 2022

# **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Dr. Kristen Douglas presented an update on Academic Affairs. There is a CODA accreditation visit taking place this week for the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs.

We received notification that ACEN, our Nursing accreditation agency, will be approving our Nursing Program at the Walton County Campus.

Institutional Effectiveness recently had a Perkins internal audit and it went well.

We received our Perkins allocations for FY2023 which will be \$777,000. These funds help pay for equipment and faculty salaries.

We will be having a COGNIA Readiness Review on Friday.

#### **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Lenzy Reid gave the board an update on Student Affairs. He thanked Barbara Cabaniss for everything she has done on the board and for the college.

We will have 545 graduates this year with 337 of them participating in the graduation ceremony on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Drew Palmer gave an update on Economic Development. Al McCall is in Savannah and could not be at the meeting today.

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They recently completed some forklift training for Rainbow Restorations.

All CNA students passed their exam.

They are providing CPR and First Aid training to the Early Childhood Care and Education Program.

Recently a ManufactuREADY student got a job with Kubota.

#### **ADULT EDUCATION**

Fabersha Flynt gave the board an update on Adult Education. She recently went to Seattle to receive the Coalition on Adult Basic Education Award (COABE). This is being awarded for designing and responding to local industry needs. We are the only technical college in Georgia to receive the award.

She will be attending the Community Colleges of Appalachia conference and will be doing a presentation about partnerships.

## **COLLEGE UPDATES**

Josh Paine gave the board an update on the Athens Tech Foundation and Public Relations. Scholarships just closed. They will be awarding Summer scholarships soon.

The Athens Tech Foundation Board will be attending a retreat on Thursday.

He recently launched a Podcast. The first of two episodes is out right now.

Tomorrow he will be filming videos and doing commercials with students.

The GOAL/Rick Perkins state winners will be announced next week in Atlanta.

There will be a Commercial Truck Driving (CDL) event on the Athens Campus.

He is working on some printed brochures for prospective students.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Daniel presented the President's Report. Dr. Douglas and Lenzy Reid are attending the Dental accreditation visit this morning and will be a few minutes late for the board meeting.

Honor's Day was held last week.

Graduation will be on May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Classic Center. Academic ceremony will be at 10:00 am. Coach Vince Dooley will be the guest speaker. GED ceremony will be at 2:00 pm. Dr. Cayanna Good from TCSG will be the guest speaker.

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The water tower was recently restored including a new paint job which included our logo as well as Athena the Owl.

Coca Cola is giving TCSG \$1 million to the CDL program and we are one of five colleges receiving some of the funding. There will be a CDL event taking place on the Athens Campus on May 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm behind the H Building. Coca Cola will be here providing drinks along with some games.

She will be attending the Leadership Summit/GOAL/Rick Perkins events next week in Atlanta. She will also be receiving our budget while she is there.

There was an incident on campus last Thursday in which a student was abducted by her exboyfriend. He was later found in Barrow County and arrested. The student is safe and is being offered counseling.

She is excited about the COABE Award that Adult Education received.

She thanked Barbara Cabaniss for everything she has done for the board and for the college.

#### **CLOSING COMMENTS**

Chair Dally asked board members if they had anything to comment. Barbara Cabaniss thanked everyone for the nice gifts and she has truly enjoyed being on the board and working with everyone.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business, Chair Dally adjourned the meeting with appropriate motion and second at 10:10 a.m.

Dr. Andrea Daniel, President Rebecca Allen Executive Assistant April 19, 2022

Next scheduled Board Meeting: August 16, 2022

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes action items that require a vote for approval by the local board.