

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 26, 2018

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Chair Donna Perez at 5:15 P.M. in the Executive Board Room located in the George P. Luciano Family Center for Public Service and Leadership on Campus.

Solicitor Michael L. Testa, Esquire read the applicable section of the Open Public Meetings Act regarding the special Board of Trustee meeting.

Ms. Perez asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Hon. Asselta, Mr. Cassisi, Mr. McGrory, Mr. Riley, Mr. Whelan, Dr. Ward Garrison, Ms. Perez.

Ms. Perez asked Mr. Cassisi to read the following Resolutions for consideration.

1. A motion was made by Mr. Riley for consideration to adopt Resolution#2290-2018 authorizing the College to enter into a shared services agreement with the Cumberland County Technical Education Center to provide the needed purchasing services in compliance with NJSA 18A: 64A-25 et seq. and current College policy at a cost of \$3,000 per month for the period beginning April 19, 2018. Upon the hiring of a new College employee, CCTEC will provide mentoring services at a cost of \$1,000 per month for the period not to exceed 90 days. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whelan and passed by roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Riley	Yes	Mr. McGrory	Yes
Mr. Whelan	Yes	Dr. Ward Garrison	Yes
Hon. Asselta	Yes	Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Cassisi	Yes		

Mr. Cassisi read Resolution #2301-2018 and Ms. Perez called for question or comment.

Mr. Cassisi asked why the prior draft of this agreement outlined the specifics regarding

the amount of personnel, the days of service and the times of service and this one does not. Also, there is no mention in this agreement regarding the Paula Ring Center and the Arts and Innovation Center in Millville.

Ms. Perez said that she was informed that it would be the same for all campuses.

Mr. Cassisi again asked why the wording was removed from this resolution.

Dr. Dina Rossi Elliott, Superintendent of CCTEC asked if they could address these questions. She introduced Mr. Gene Mercoli, Business Administrator at the CCTEC.

Mr. Mercoli indicated that everything remained the same as in the first draft of the agreement, but they were omitted from the present version due to security reasons. The personnel, days and times as well as locations have not changed in this agreement.

Mr. Whelan asked if the need would arise, would they be able to allocate additional resources.

Mr. Mercoli assured that they have ample resources to tap if needed.

2. A motion was made by Mr. Riley for consideration to adopt Resolution #2301-2018 authorizing the College to enter into a shared services agreement with the Cumberland County Board of Vocational Education for the provision of security services at a cost of \$383,000 per year increasing by 2% annually for the period of five years beginning July 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whelan and passed by roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Riley	Yes	Mr. McGrory	Yes
Mr. Whelan	Yes	Dr. Ward Garrison	Yes
Hon. Asselta	Yes	Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Cassisi	Yes		

3. A motion was made by Dr. Ward Garrison for consideration to adopt Resolution #2300-2018 authorizing the College to enter into a shared services agreement with the Cumberland County Improvement Authority for the provision of facilities and capital project management services at a cost of \$12,500 for the period of May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018

in addition to a cost of \$852,000 increasing by 3.5% annually and a flat fee of 2% of total project costs for capital projects oversight and implementation for a period of five years beginning July 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. McGrory and passed by roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Ward Garrison	Yes	Mr. Riley	Yes
Mr. McGrory	Yes	Mr. Whelan	Yes
Hon. Asselta	Yes	Ms. Perez	Abstain
Mr. Cassisi	Yes		

Ms. Perez read Resolution #2302-2018.

4. A motion was made by Dr. Ward Garrison for consideration to adopt Resolution #2302-2018 authorizing the exploration of a potential joinder of Cumberland County College with Rowan College at Gloucester County. The motion was seconded by Mr. Riley and passed by roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Ward Garrison	Yes	Mr. McGrory	No
Mr. Riley	Yes	Mr. Whelan	Yes
Hon. Asselta	Yes	Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Cassisi	No		

Persons wishing to address the Board

Ms. Marcia Klein, the New Jersey Education Association representative for the Cumberland County College employees, expressed her disappointment that the employees and the public were not allowed to speak to the resolutions that were passed until after the vote was taken. She felt it was disrespectful to the employees that were in attendance who were not given a voice.

Ms. Patricia Mooneyham, Assistant to the Director of Workforce, Community and Technical Education, addressed the Board stating that Cumberland County College is a point of pride for the County and it would be sad to see it go to Gloucester County. She also expressed her surprise regarding the length of the terms of the resolutions voted upon at this meeting. These represent a great hardship to the taxpayers.

Mr. John Lore, President of the Faculty Association and an English professor at the College, requested answers regarding the exploration into the idea of a merger with Rowan College at Gloucester County. He asked how the College will handle the exploration, whether it would be a process that would be open to the public and if any of the faculty members would sit on the exploration committee.

Ms. Perez said that an ad-hoc committee of board members was formed to oversee the exploration. When asked if faculty members would be included, she said that they had not gotten that far in the process yet, but that she hoped that there would be a place for the faculty's voice on that committee.

Ms. Karen Arenz, a learning assistant in the English lab, emotionally addressed the Board regarding the non-renewal letter that she has received. She said, "On June 30, 2018, after 24 years of service, I will no longer have any benefits, and neither will my family." She also expressed that she has heard that the College would help, but she has found no support. She feels that employees of the College will be dealing with non-renewal letters for a long time.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Dr. Ward Garrison to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. McGrory and passed by roll call vote as follows:

Dr. Ward Garrison	Yes	Mr. Riley	Yes
Mr. McGrory	Yes	Mr. Whelan	Yes
Hon. Asselta	Yes	Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Cassisi	Yes		

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

MS. MICHELLE BROWN,
SECRETARY