Minutes
Board of Trustees Meeting
Niceville Campus
Building 400, Morell Room 302
March 15, 2022, 3:26 p.m.

Lori Kelley, Chair Shane Abbott, Vice Chair Charlotte Flynt Graham Fountain Reynolds Henderson Don Litke Rudy Wright Hayward Dykes, Board Attorney Dr. Devin Stephenson, President

Others present: Cristie Kedroski, Senior Vice President; Randy White, Vice President of Business Operations and Finance; Deidre Price, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Pauline Anderson, Associate Vice President, of Research and Assessment; Whitney Rutherford, Associate Vice President/General Counsel; Michael Erny, Dean of Career & Technical Education; Dennis Braun, Executive Director of Workforce Development; Jeanette Shires, Director Mattie Kelly Arts Center; Roberta Mackey, Executive Director of Human Resources; Charlotte Kuss, Dean of Health Sciences, Wellness and Education; Chris Stowers, Executive Director NWFSC Foundation; Melissa Wolf-Bates, Executive Assistant to the President; Edward Rosentel, Executive Director of Finance & Accounting; Rhonda Springfield, Director of K-12 Partnerships; Heather Dietzold, Executive Director of Student Success Navigation; Katherine St. Onge, Director of Purchasing; Cole Allen, Chief Information Officer; Sam Renfroe, Executive Director of Grant Development; Anthony Borella, Sound Engineer; Aaron Murray, Executive Directive of Campus Safety/Chief of Police; Dana Stephens, Dean of Arts & Sciences/Director of Mattie Kelly Environmental Institute; Sandy Arteaga, Interim Dean of College Pathways/Principal of Collegiate High School; Bryan Brooks, Chief Communications Officer; Carolina Urena, Dual Enrollment Coordinator; Stephanie Patty, Risk Manager/Facilities Coordinator; Paul Mixon, Okaloosa County District 1 Commissioner; Craig Coffey, Deputy County Administrator of Operations for Okaloosa County; Cristina Girardi, Williams Communications Project Manager; Steve Ouradnik, Land Mobile Radio Administrator - Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office; Charlie Nix, Okaloosa County Undersheriff; Dan Sambenedetto, Okaloosa County IT Director; Alice Radomski, CHS Parent/SAC Member; Ron Kimble, Officer - Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office; Eric Aden, Okaloosa County Sheriff

Call to Order

Lori Kelley, Chair

Approval of Agenda

The Board of Trustees approved the Agenda, as presented (Motion: Henderson; Second: Fountain; Voted For: Abbott, Flynt, Fountain, Henderson, Kelley, Litke, Wright).

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board of Trustees approved the following items on the Consent Agenda, as presented (Motion: Fountain; Second: Wright; Voted For: Abbott, Flynt, Fountain, Henderson, Kelley, Litke, Wright):

- Regular Meeting Minutes, February 15, 2022
- Personnel Agenda

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

# INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Okaloosa County Emergency Communications Tower Agreement	The Board members reviewed a presentation by Mr. Coffey regarding the Okaloosa County Emergency Communications Tower Agreement.
Forthcoming Proposal for Program Closure – Dental Assisting Program	The Board members reviewed the Forthcoming Proposal for Program Closure – Dental Assisting Program.
Grants Development Listing	The Board members reviewed the current Grants Development Listing.
College Monthly Financial Report	The Board members reviewed the College Monthly Financial Reports for February 28, 2022.
Solicitations Progress Listing Item(s) for Review	The Board members reviewed the Solicitations Progress Listing Item(s) for Review.
Purchases over \$65,000 Not Requiring Board Approval	The Board members reviewed the Purchases over \$65,000 Not Requiring Board Approval from February 1 – February 28, 2022.
Chair's Comments	Chair Kelley recognized the Men's Basketball team for their first win at the National Championship Tournament on Monday. She also informed the Board she would be sending out the President's Evaluation for them to complete and send back to her.

## President's Report

President Stephenson delivered the following report:

 Dr. Stephenson represented the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/Commission of Colleges as Chair of a recent Substantive Change visit to Lone Star College System in Houston, TX

- NWFSC was named a 2022-2023 Military Friendly School with a Gold Distinction
- NWFSC Welding Program received a \$15,000 in donations from Systems Group, Kiewit Corporation and Yates Construction
- NWFSC welcomed Chancellor Hebda and Senior Chancellor Mack along with other members of FLDOE and FCS schools from around the state during the CTE Charter School Convening hosted on the Niceville Campus
- Dr. Stephenson recognized 2022 Law Enforcement Spring Academy Completion Program graduates and thanked Trustees Flynt and Wright for supporting the students by their attendance at the event.
- Actor and NWFSC alum, Alan Ritchson, held a Q & A sessions for current performing arts students and faculty
- As part of Women's History Month, NWFSC hosted the Women of True Grit with special guest, Edie Hand
- High school's from across Northwest Florida converged on the Niceville Campus to compete in 2022 NWFSC Math Bowl
- Students, faculty, and staff represented NWFSC at the Mardi Gras parade in Destin Commons
- The first 2022 Class of Walton County Inmates graduated from the NWFSC Welding Program with a Certificate of Completion and AWS Welding Certification
- Deshawndre Washington (Men's Basketball) and Last-Tear Poa (Women's Basketball) were name Panhandle Players of the Year
- Coach Bart Walker (Women's Basketball) and Coach Greg Herar (Men's Basketball)
   were named Panhandle Coach of the Year
- The Men's Basketball team won their first game at the Division 1 NJCAA National Tournament
- Upcoming Events: April 8, President's Speaker Series presents Charles Payne
- Upcoming Events: April 18, Doolittle Raiders Final Goblet Ceremony
- Upcoming Events: Menopause the Musical (March 19), The Price is Right Live on Stage (April 1), An Office and a Gentleman the Musical (April 10), Waitress (April 30)

## AROUND THE ROOM

Trustee Abbott Mr. Abbott encouraged NWFSC to continue to pursue underserved students

as the Collegiate High School continues to expand to ensure all students

have equal access to quality education and training.

Trustee Flynt Ms. Flynt recognized Senator Broxson, Representative Maney,

Representative Trumbull, and Senator Gainer for their work on behalf of NWFSC during the recent legislative session. She also extended additional recognition to the tireless work of David Ramba on behalf of the College. She also thanked Seaside Schools & Seacoast HS for a recent tour which provide her with additional knowledge and understanding of the school.

Trustee Fountain Mr. Fountain acknowledged the work of Senator Broxson and

Representative Trumbull on behalf of NWFSC during the recent legislative

session.

Trustee Henderson Mr. Henderson challenged NWFSC to continue to explore the possibilities

to expand course and program offerings in Walton County.

Trustee Litke Maj. Gen. Litke reminded everyone of the Culinary Tasting happening in

Raider Café this evening.

Trustee Wright Maj. Gen. Wright appreciated the educational information provided.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Dr. G. Devin Stephenson, President

Northwest Florida State College

And Corporate Secretary

Lori Kelley, Chair Board of Trustees

Northwest Florida State College

Please note: Please be advised that if any person decides to appeal any decisions made by the Board of Trustees with respect to any matter considered at the above referenced meeting, a record of such proceedings will be needed, and for such purposes, it may be necessary to ensure the verbatim record of such proceedings.