

ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA COLLEGES
Florida College System Council of Presidents
Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2020

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pickens called the August 28, 2020, business meeting of the Florida College System Council of Presidents to order at 1:04 p.m.

2.0 Quorum Check

Chair Pickens asked Marsha Kiner, AFC Executive Director, to call roll of the Council members who were present.

Greg Haile
Sarah Clemmons
Jim Henningsen
Tom LoBasso
Jim Richey
Jeff Allbritten
Lawrence Barrett
Jonathan Gueverra
John Avendano
John Holdnak
Ken Atwater
Ed Massey
Stanley Sidor
Rolando Montoya
John Grosskopf
Ava Parker
Tim Beard
Ed Meadows
Angela Garcia-Falconetti
Paul Broadie
Georgia Lorenz
Thomas Leitzel
Carol Probstfeld
Joe Pickens
Tonjua Williams
Jim Murdaugh
Sandy Shugart

A quorum was confirmed for the meeting.

Members of the press were identified on the line. Florida Channel, Politico, and WFSU Public Media had representatives present.

3.0 Council of Presidents Minutes

Chair Pickens presented the minutes from the June 25, 2020, Council of Presidents Zoom Business Meeting. The minutes for approval can be found on pages 1-6 of the meeting materials packet located on the AFC website.

3.1 Council of Presidents Zoom Business Meeting Minutes – June 25, 2020

Upon a motion by Dr. Massey and a second by Dr. Lorenz, the minutes presented were unanimously adopted by the Council.

4.0 Report of the Chair

Chair Pickens deferred his report to the end of the Business Meeting agenda.

5.0 Report of the Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges

Chancellor Kathy Hebda stated that she will email a written report to the Council following the meeting. Chancellor Hebda shared some highlights from her report. The first was that the Student Success Center has been collecting innovative practices during COVID. The Center has partnered with all the Leadership Councils throughout the FCS to document the innovations that colleges are using during the pandemic.

The Florida Pathways Institute will kick off September 22-23. The first session will be Transformation at Scale. Speakers for the session will be from the local, state, and national level.

The Chancellor shared that students were able to be placed into Developmental Education and Dual Enrollment without their placement scores due to the pandemic. As a part of the Developmental Education report, a section on alternative methods has been added. Data collected at the end of the Fall Term will be used to examine the students' success rate, the time period for data collection and finalization will be in February 2021.

The Chancellor shared that the State Board of Education will meet in September. A main point of that meeting is to vote on their Legislative Budget Request. Also, at that meeting the Chancellor hopes to propose for their adoption, an amendment to the rule 6A14095, Site Determined Baccalaureate Access, for the sole purpose of having updated and streamlined the form that is used to submit requests for new baccalaureate programs. A request has also been made for an update to be provided on Career and Technical Education.

The Chancellor shared that the budget process for the State Board of Education will not have a workshop this year. Commissioner Corcoran is talking individually with members this year to do outreach. He shared with the Chancellor that he would appreciate getting with Chair Pickens and Chair Falconetti to discuss legislative priorities and policy items.

Dr. Atwater asked, on behalf of his board, if the waiver for the statutory requirement of having in person board meetings has been reinstated or if virtual board meetings will continue to be allowed. Chair Pickens shared that the waiver was extended for one more month. The Chancellor replied that virtual meetings are currently allowed through the end of September. She will check the extension and report back to the

Council.

Dr. Meadows referred to a request for information that was sent from the Chancellor's office. The information requested is for plans and actions by the colleges with students who receive positive COVID-19 results. Dr. Meadows stated that the requested report of information is too lengthy for college staff to complete at this time. Chancellor Hebda replied that the report should not be too detailed and she would be happy to meet with any presidents who are having difficulty in completing the report. Chancellor Hebda shared that the report of information is being collected to share with Governor DeSantis and Commissioner Corcoran.

6.0 Report of the Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education

Chancellor Henry Mack stated that he will email a written report to the Council following the meeting. He thanked and congratulated the Council for the hard work that was put into the submitted applications for the \$35 million Rapid Credentialing Economic Recovery Prosperity Initiative that was part of Governor DeSantis' CARES Act initiative.

The Chancellor shared that an announcement about a partnership with a major funder is forthcoming. A workgroup will be gathered for further work on the funding framework.

The Chancellor shared that his office is currently reviewing 1,500 individual local program templates for program quality that were received after asking for additional data after the statewide review was complete earlier this year.

The Chancellor provided an update on Career Source Florida. Career Source was the only eligible applicant for the Reimagine Workforce Preparation Grant opportunity out of the US Department of Education.

The Chancellor shared that the RFP for the \$10 million to expand apprenticeships will soon be released. Additionally over the coming months his office will be working with Ed Strategy Group on rethinking and reimagining Adult Education in Florida.

Dr. Lorenz asked Chancellor Mack how would it be known that Florida has met the goal to become the number one system nationally for Workforce Education. Chancellor Mack explained that the Credentials of Value Framework will help in evaluating and will be the first step in crafting a measure in determining that the goal has been met.

7.0 Bylaws Amendments

Chair Pickens referred to the document containing the Bylaws Amendments that were lodged at the June 25, 2020, Council meeting. The document can be found on pages 7-11 of the meeting materials packet available for download on the AFC website. The previously lodged amendments are noted in red.

Chair Pickens referred to the Bylaws amendment regarding the addition of a Vice Chair-elect in ARTICLE IV, Section 4. President Pickens stated that the amendment would create a succession plan for the Vice-Chair.

Upon a motion by Dr. Barrett and a second by Dr. Leitzel, the amendment was adopted unanimously.

President Pickens asked Dr. Barrett to read through the remaining proposed Bylaws Amendments.

Dr. Barrett requested the proposed amendment under ARTICLE I, Section 2. to be withdrawn.

Dr. Barrett presented the proposed amendment under ARTICLE II, Section 2. The amendment would add **the Council for Workforce Education** to sentence one of paragraph two.

Upon a motion by President Grosskopf and a second by Dr. Massey the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett presented the third amendment under ARTICLE III, Section I. The amendment would replace the second sentence with, **There will be a minimum of 6 face to face meetings each year with the other meetings being held virtually. All meetings will have the opportunity to have virtual access for the purpose of members able to engage in discussion and voting.**

Upon a motion by Dr. Gueverra and a second by Dr. Williams the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett presented the proposed amendment to ARTICLE III, Section 3. The amendment would delete all verbiage after sentence one and add, **No proxies will be considered for quorum or voting.**

Upon a motion by Dr. Grosskopf and a second by President Haile the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett presented the proposed amendment to ARTICLE IV, Section 3. The amendment would add, **Each year the organization will put forth a Policy and Advocacy Agenda for the upcoming Legislative year no later than September 30th. The entire voting membership will have the opportunity to vote on this agenda. A super majority of 60% of membership (17 presidents) shall be required to approve the Policy and Advocacy Agenda.**

Upon a motion by Dr. Massey and a second by Dr. Lorenz the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett present the proposed amendment to ARTICLE IV, Section 4. The amendment would add a Parliamentarian to the Organization Structure. The verbiage to be added reads, **The organization shall select a Parliamentarian each year as part of the Executive Council of the organization. Roberts Rules of Order and Parliamentarian will be the final decider in any procedural issues that are challenged by its membership.**

Upon a motion by Dr. Broadie and a second by Dr. Falconetti the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett presented the proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 6. The amendment would add the verbiage, **There must be 48-hour notice of the action items on business agenda or for emergency actions. This notice will be sent via email or written request as an action item to each President. A formal vote will be taken for**

each action item with specific notations of who voted in favor or against action items. The current Chairperson of the COP and/or the P&A Chair after consulting with the steering committee will be the only individuals allowed to request emergency actions and votes from the organization. All other agenda items and action items of the organization can be placed on an agenda by an eligible council member.

Upon a motion by President Haile and a second by Dr. Gueverra the amendment was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Barrett presented the proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 8. The amendment would add the verbiage, **½ of the membership plus one**, to the end of sentence two.

Upon a motion by President Haile and a second by Dr. Avendano the amendment was adopted unanimously.

President Grosskopf asked that the Association of Florida Colleges add the revised footnote on the updated COP Bylaws and ensure the correct version is uploaded to the AFC website.

8.0 COP/SBOE Proposal

This item was withdrawn at the request of the sponsor, Dr. Sandy Shugart.

9.0 DII Softball Initiative for 2021-2022

Chair Pickens shared that the NJCAA requested that programs that need to may request to move divisions (move from Division I to Division II or Division II to Division III) to prevent programs from being eliminated. Chair Pickens reminded the Council that programs who wish to move divisions may do so between now and the middle of January 2021.

10.0 Establish Meeting Schedule for 2020-2021

Chair Pickens asked the Council if they would prefer to meet virtually for one full day to include Professional Development, Policy and Advocacy Committee, and the COP Business Meeting. After some discussion, it was decided that the third Friday of each month would be dedicated for Council meetings. The AFC will create a document to include the meeting dates.

11.0 COP Committee and Work Group Reports

11.1 Articulation Coordinating Committee

Dr. Massey shared that the Committee has not met and does not have a report at this time. He did share that the Chancellor is considering names to present to the Commissioner for a new Articulation Coordinating Committee Chair.

11.2 Distance Learning Committee

Dr. Sidor shared that the Committee will have a full report for the next Council meeting. He highlighted the results of a Distance Learning Survey. The full results will be shared at a later time.

11.3 Florida College System Risk Management Consortium

Dr. Holdnak presented the items for ratification to the Council. The items

presented can be found in the information packet available for download on the AFC website.

11.3.1 Vision Plan

11.3.2 Employee Benefit Plans 2021 Recommendations

Upon a motion by Dr. Broadie and a second by Dr. Clemmons items 11.3.1 and 11.3.2 were approved unanimously.

11.3.3 Property/Casualty Audit & Operations Committee Chairs Term Appointment

Upon a motion by Dr. Henningsen and a second by President Haile the Property/Casualty Audit was approved unanimously.

Dr. Holdnak shared that he and President Grosskopf's terms as Committee Co-Chairs have expired. They both agreed to continue the current year as Co-Chairs.

Upon a motion and a second by acclamation President Grosskopf and Dr. Holdnak were approved to remain as Operations Committee Co-Chairs.

Chair Pickens asked if the terms as chair are designated and what needs to be done to create staggered terms. Dr. Holdnak will create a plan for staggered terms for both he and President Grosskopf.

11.3.4 FCSRMC Financials and FCSRMC Operations Committee Membership
(Informational)

11.4 Media and Public Relations Committee

Dr. Allbritten introduced Logan Lewkow from the Moore Agency. Mr. Lewkow presented the Fall 2020 Communications Strategy for the Council. The document can be found on pages 15-23 of the meeting packet which is available for download on the AFC website.

12.0 COP Support Council Reports

12.1 Council of Instructional Affairs

Dr. Brittany Snyder, chair, provided an update to the Council. A submitted report is available on pages 24-25 of the meeting packet available on the AFC website.

12.2 Council of Student Affairs

Ms. Eileen Stork, chair, provided an update to the Council. The Council has generated a survey to all the colleges regarding serving students during the time of COVID. The results have been shared with colleges. The Council is also working on AFC engagement and recently met with Ms. Kiner, Executive Director and Matthew White, Association President. The Council will have a meeting in October, the agenda is forthcoming.

12.3 Council of Business Affairs

Dr. Heather Bigard, chair, shared an update to the Council. The Council has been meeting bi-weekly and extensively discuss the CARES Act funding. The Council will meet on September 17.

12.4 Florida Council for Resource Development

Mr. Cleve Warren, chair, shared an update to the Council. The Council has been meeting regularly. The Council has been meeting separately in groups for Foundations and for Grants.

12.5 Council for Workforce Education

Dr. Nasser Hedayat, co-chair, shared an update to the Council. He shared that a further conversation on Awaited Limited Access will continue during a meeting this month.

12.6 AFC Legislative Committee Update (college staff lobbyists)

Ms. Jessica Kummerle, chair, shared that the lobbyists group held their first meeting on Friday, August 21. The Committee elected a Vice Chair, Ms. Lacey Hoffmeyer from Broward College. The Committee will work with a strategy of communication and unity for this year. The Committee is currently working on a legislative strategic plan as well as a calendar to share with the Council.

13.0 Florida College System Activities Association

Dr. Sidor introduced Ms. Kelly Warren, FCSAA Executive Director. She presented the 2020-2021 Executive Committee Roster for Council approval. The proposed roster can be found in the meeting packet available for download on the AFC website.

13.1 2020-2021 Executive Committee Roster

Upon a motion by President Haile and a second by Dr. Probstfeld the 2020-2021 Executive Committee Roster was adopted unanimously.

13.2 2020-2021 Calendar and Hall of Fame Class

Ms. Warren shared information on the 2020-2021 Calendar and the FCSAA Hall of Fame Class. Dr. Massey was included in the Hall of Fame Class. A submitted report of information can be found on pages 26-29 of the meeting packet available for download on the AFC website.

14.0 Association of Florida Colleges Report

Mr. Matthew White, AFC President, updated the Council on the resignation of former Executive Director, Michael Brawer. He then introduced Interim Executive Director Ms. Marsha Kiner. Mr. White shared that he and Ms. Kiner are currently hosting a listening tour with all the FCS Presidents and Council Chairs. They are listening to concerns and providing an Association update and commitment. He shared that the Association has expanded the listening tour to include long range strategic planning of the Association with town hall meetings to better help determine the Association's future. Mr. White shared that the Association will be hosting a Cybersecurity Summit on September 30th and shared that the Association's Annual Conference will be hosted virtually this year. More information to come.

Ms. Kiner highlighted the webinars that the Association has been hosting since April. She shared that the Faculty Commission will be hosting a series of virtual roundtables to share best practices for teaching and reaching students during this time. The Equity Commission is also hosting a series titled, Social Justice Matters, to discuss current social justice issues. Ms. Kiner shared that a series of webinars is being created for each institution and further information will be shared soon on those. A submitted

report of information from the AFC can be found on pages 30-33 of the meeting packet available for download on the AFC website.

15.0 Announcements/Other Business

There were no further announcements or other business for the Council to discuss.

16.0 ADJOURN

Chair Pickens adjourned the Council of President Business Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Policy & Advocacy

At 3:01 p.m., Dr. Falconetti, chair, convened the meeting of the AFC Policy and Advocacy Committee.

1.0 The Southern Group Contract

Dr. Falconetti withdrew item 1.0 The Southern Group Contract from this meeting agenda.

2.0 FY 2020-2021 Legislative Agenda / SBOE Message

Dr. Falconetti shared that she and President Pickens will continue collaborating with members of the Council, Commissioner Corcoran, Chancellor Hebda, and Chancellor Mack to develop and finalize the budget. To be included will be the Legislative Budget Request for the Florida College System to present at the State Board of Education during the September 23rd, State Board of Education Meeting. Dr. Falconetti shared that the Presidents have previously reviewed a list of items that were relevant last year and are becoming even more relevant this year with the addition of a few new items.

3.0 Lobbyist Commission Leadership

The AFC Legislative Committee Chair, Jessica Kummerle was introduced during the COP Business Meeting.

4.0 ADJOURN

President Pickens shared that he would like to see the Wattenbarger Award renamed to the Wattenbarger/Massey Award, to honor Dr. Massey for all his contributions and his many years of service to the Florida College System. Dr. Meadows shared that in honor of the value that Dr. Massey's has brought to the Florida College System, he would like to see a new award that would be awarded from the COP in Dr. Massey's honor created.

The Presidents shared congratulations to Dr. Massey on his retirement.

Dr. Falconetti adjourned the AFC Policy and Advocacy Committee Meeting at 3:21 p.m.