

**QUINCY COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

MEETING OF MAY 22, 2018

Minutes

The meeting of the Quincy College Board of Governors, held in the Hart Board Room, Room 706, 7th Floor, Presidents Place, 1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, was called to order at 6:00 PM. The member roll was called. The following members of the Board of Governors were present at the call of the member roll: Mr. Christopher Bell, First Vice Chair of the Board of Governors; Ms. Barbara Clarke, Second Vice Chair of the Board of Governors; Mr. Paul Barbadoro; Ms. Eileen Bevivino-Lawton; Ms. Mary Jo Brogna; Mr. Christopher Carroll; Ms. Katherine Craven; Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald; Mr. Gregory Hanley; Father James Hawker; Ms. Carolyn O'Toole; and Mr. Joseph Shea. A quorum was present.

Also present were: Mayor Thomas P. Koch, Principal Executive; Mr. Joseph Arangio, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance; Dr. Mary Burke, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. Francis Byrne, Advisor to the President; Mr. Tom Pham, Vice President for Information Technology and Mission Support; Mr. Martin Ahern, Director of Finance; Mr. William Hall, Director of Administrative Services and Facilities; as well as other members of the College community and the public.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and a prayer and moment of silence was offered for the Santa Fe High School shooting victims and the Stoughton car crash victims.

Chairman Bell called for the Open Forum portion of the meeting to begin. He invited anyone who wished to come forward and address the Board of Governors to do so. There was no response to Mr. Bell's invitation. Mr. Bell declared the Open Forum portion of the meeting closed.

The members reviewed the minutes of the May 03, 2018, meeting of the Board of Governors. Motion by Mr. Barbadoro that the Board of Governors approve the minutes of the meeting of May 03, 2018, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bevivino-Lawton. There was no discussion on the motion. The following members of the Board of Governors voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Barbadoro; Mr. Bell; Ms. Bevivino-Lawton; Mr. Carroll; Ms. Clarke; Father Hawker; Ms. O'Toole; and Mr. Shea. There were no votes in opposition to the motion and no abstentions. Ms. Brogna; Ms. Craven; Dr. Fitzgerald; and Mr. Hanley voted "present." The motion was adopted

Chairman's Report

Next, Chairman Bell gave his report. Mr. Bell welcomed the new board members Mary Jo Brogna, Katherine Craven, and Christopher Carroll. Mr. Bell stated that he looked forward to tapping their knowledge and experience to assist the College as it moves forward into a new beginning. Mr. Bell reported that he attended a meeting the previous day with Mayor Koch, Governor Clarke, Dr. Maureen Sroczynski, staff and faculty to listen and learn from some very disheartened, angry, and emotional nursing students who are now forced to deal with the aftermath of BORN's decision. Chairman Bell reported that the student's pain is real, and their need for us to all do as much as we can to support their needs is our responsibility as Board members, faculty, and staff. Chairman Bell urged everyone in attendance to make the nursing students' priority ours. It is the right thing to do; it is the only thing to do. Chairman Bell pledged to support them for reimbursement of funds, once a formula is put in place on how to do so. Chairman Bell asked the members for all to do the same. Chairman Bell stated that he is encouraged by the Mayor's commitment to solving the problems we face and would like to now end his report so Mayor Koch can have the time he needs to report, as we requested, on some of the solutions he's identified.

Report of the Principal Executive

Next, Mayor Koch presented the Report of the Principal Executive. Mayor Koch gave a warm welcome to the newest Board members: Mary Jo Brogna; Christopher Carroll; and Katherine Craven. It has only been a week working with the senior staff of the College and the Mayor expressed his appreciation for the cooperation he is receiving from the senior staff. Equally important is caring for the students affected by the decision of the Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN). The Mayor met yesterday with nursing students at Quincy High School from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM. The Mayor reported that he is committed to reimbursing the students. The Mayor reported that he immediately reached out to Governor Baker, Lieutenant Governor Polito, Congressman Stephen Lynch, and others. The Mayor reported that he had two meetings today with the Department of Higher Education and Department of Public Health. The Mayor reported that he will be sending a memorandum with an update on available information. The Mayor reported that he is in communication with Mount Wachusett Community College regarding the possibility of them having a satellite campus here at Quincy College or another location convenient for the students. The Mayor reported that he will continue to get as much information to the public and the students as we can. All agencies are here to support Quincy College. He was pleased to hear today that they are fully committed to Quincy College. The Mayor reported that Ms. Lisa McBirney will be reporting to the College and will be his liaison. The Mayor reported that Powers & Sullivan will conduct a forensic audit. Mr. Robert Cerasoli will conduct a performance audit. The Mayor reported that we have to get our

house in order before we go out to conduct a search for a new president. The Mayor reported that Dr. Maureen Sroczynski will be assisting him in evaluating the Nursing Programs. Ms. Clarke asked the Mayor whether the nursing students scheduled to graduate in December were discussed at the meeting today. The Mayor responded that we do not have a final answer on that, and he did not want to speculate on that, but will get an answer to that question.

The Mayor asked the members to give him authority to address reimbursement on a case by case basis.

Motion by Mr. Barbadoro that the Board of Governors authorize Mayor Koch, in his capacity as Interim Chief Executive of Quincy College, to establish and administer a program through which students in the nursing program are reimbursed for all payments and/or expenses deemed reimbursable and directly related to the closure of the nursing program. The funding necessary to administer this program shall be solely drawn from the College's reserve fund, and the amount of such fund shall not exceed Four Million, Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$4,500,000.00). The motion was seconded by Mr. Shea. There was no discussion on the motion. The following members of the Board of Governors voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Barbadoro; Mr. Bell; Ms. Bevivino-Lawton; Ms. Brogna; Mr. Carroll; Ms. Clarke; Ms. Craven; Dr. Fitzgerald; Mr. Hanley; Father Hawker; Ms. O'Toole; and Mr. Shea. There were no votes in opposition to the motion and no abstentions. The motion was adopted

The Mayor continued with his report. The Mayor stated that there will be layoffs as a result of the loss of the Nursing Program which is a huge setback to the College. The Mayor stated that the Board should have a Secretary to the Board; someone to chase down information for you when you need it.

Ms. Bevivino-Lawton inquired as to how serious Mount Wachusett Community College is about having a satellite campus. The Mayor responded, very serious; I would not have mentioned that if it was not a serious possibility. Ms. Bevivino-Lawton inquired as to whether other programs, i.e., other than Nursing Program, will be impacted by the loss of the Nursing Program. Mayor Koch responded that it is hard to say, but we will be looking at all options and evaluating all opportunities. Chair Bell inquired about the ACEN report. The Mayor responded that we will meet the deadline of May 30, 2018. Ms. Clarke inquired as to whether the members will see that report before it is filed. The Mayor responded that there is not much time, but that he will try. Ms. Brogna stated that the report to ACEN is a report filed by the College, and the Board would not have input or authority over that.

Chairman Bell asked about the College's appeal of the BORN decision and whether the appeal will be withdrawn. The Mayor responded that the appeal was withdrawn, and that

it was a helpful thing. Withdrawal of the appeal showed the members of BORN that we are serious about working with them and they were pleased by that.

Committee Reports

Mr. Paul Barbadoro, Chair of the Finance & Facilities Committee, presented the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee. Mr. Barbadoro reported that the Committee met briefly on May 15, 2018, but had to adjourn due to the late hour and therefore did not have much to report.

Mr. Paul Barbadoro, Chair of the By Law Committee, presented the report of the By Law Committee. Mr. Barbadoro reported that the Committee met earlier this evening. Mr. Barbadoro reported that the Committee determined that the Acting Chair can continue in that capacity until September when elections of officers will be held.

New Business

Chairman Bell introduced Dr. Maureen Sroczynski, RN, DNP. Dr. Sroczynski reported to the members regarding her observations of the Nursing Program and goals for the future. Mr. Shea asked if it would be possible for members to receive copies of Dr. Sroczynski's 2013 report.

Mr. Hanley asked that the Board take-up the Mayor's suggestion of hiring a secretary to the Board. Mr. Barbadoro stated that that would be something that would be referred to the Personnel & Programs Committee for consideration.

Ms. Clarke stated that she feels the members should look into the search for a new college president using the Association of Governing Boards (AGB) standard process and determine if it is a process that works for this Board. Ms. Clarke stated that she feels it is within the province of the Board to search and select a new president. Mr. Barbadoro stated that, based on the last presidential search, a committee is formed to develop a process with input from the Mayor's "round table." Father Hawker asked about the relationship between the Mayor and this Board regarding an interim president. Ms. Craven stated that she feels this Board delegated its authority to the Mayor, and thinks the Mayor has the authority to do that. Ms. Brogna stated that the College is in crisis and that is why we appointed the Mayor. There was further discussion regarding the selection process for a new president. Ms. Brogna stated that students are our first priority and fiscal analysis is number two. Ms. Clarke stated that she agrees with Ms. Brogna that students are our first priority.

Motion by Ms. Clarke that the process for hiring a president be addressed by the Personnel & Programs Committee and provide information to the Board no later than August 01, 2018. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fitzgerald. There was no discussion on the motion. The following members of the Board of Governors voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Barbadoro; Mr. Bell; Ms. Bevivino-Lawton; Ms. Brogna; Mr. Carroll; Ms. Clarke; Ms. Craven; Dr. Fitzgerald; Mr. Hanley; Father Hawker; Ms. O'Toole; and Mr. Shea. There were no votes in opposition to the motion and no abstentions.

At 7:09 PM, motion by Mr. Barbadoro to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Governors. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fitzgerald. There was no discussion on the motion. The following members of the Board of Governors voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Barbadoro; Mr. Bell; Ms. Bevivino-Lawton; Ms. Brogna; Mr. Carroll; Ms. Clarke; Ms. Craven; Dr. Fitzgerald; Mr. Hanley; Father Hawker; Ms. O'Toole; and Mr. Shea. There were no votes in opposition to the motion and no abstentions. The motion was adopted and the meeting was adjourned.