



Chairperson Kathy Boellstorff called the work session of the Southeast Community College Board of Governors to order at 12:07 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, at the Beatrice Campus, Academic Excellence Center, room 134, 4771 West Scott Road, Beatrice, NE.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Nancy A. Seim, Lincoln
Dale Kruse, Beatrice
Keith Hammons, Weeping Water
James Garver, Lincoln
Neal Stenberg, Lincoln
Chuck Byers, McCool Junction
Kristin Yates, Lincoln
James Sherwood, Lincoln
Linda Hartman, Faculty Representative
Kathy Boellstorff, Johnson

Absent:

Arlyn Uhrmacher, Lincoln (Excused)
Keith Hammons, Weeping Water (Excused)

Chairperson Boellstorff welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Chairperson Boellstorff stated that Mr. Uhrmacher and Mr. Hammons had excused absences.

PUBLIC MEETING LAW COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Chairperson Boellstorff stated the public meeting notice had been published in the Lincoln Journal Star on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, as well as posted on the bulletin board in the Area Office and on the website.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

UPDATE FROM HLC LIAISON ON SCC'S ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS ITS ASSURANCE REVIEW FINDINGS AND OVERVIEW OF HLC AND ROLE OF ACCREDITATION

Dr. Illich introduced Higher Learning Commission Liaison, Dr. Tom Bordenkircher.

Dr. Bordenkircher gave an overview of HLC and the role of accreditation in higher education, reviewed the types of accreditation, the mission and purpose of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), 2020 regulatory changes, regional accreditors shift to institutional accreditation, substantive change, new criteria for accreditation, and the two current pathways for accreditation.

Dr. Bordenkircher reviewed SCC's past accreditation history, which, he indicated, had always included monitoring and focus visits.

Dr. Bordenkircher reviewed the 2017 Assurance Review Findings:

- Continue to refine use of data at all levels
- Expanded strategic plan progress reports to program and department levels
- Formalize co-curricular assessment plan
- Developed formal process for reviewing and updating policies and procedures
- Consolidate planning, budgeting and assessment processes through a specialized software solution
- Continue to show progress on major initiatives validated in the Assurance Review Team Report
- Continue to show progress on refinement of the assessment and use of student learning outcome data to improve learning
- Provide update on progress made toward multiple near-term facility projects during next accreditation visit in five years

Dr. Bordenkircher also reviewed points of the HLC Action Agreement identifying areas needed to make substantial progress before comprehensive evaluation in 2023:

- Facilities Master Plan
- Program length
- Strategic Planning (strengthened alignment of continuous improvement processes)
- Assessment of student learning
- Co-curricular assessment
- Policies and procedures

He noted the arrangement of an annual visit to assess progress, including a Board presentation.

Dr. Illich presented what has been done for SCC's investment in its future:

- 2015-19 and 2020-24 Strategic Plan
- Facilities Management Plan
- New Facilities 2015-2019 which include:
 - Health Sciences building in Lincoln
 - Diesel Technology building in Milford
 - Academic Excellence Center in Beatrice
 - Learning Center in Falls City
 - Residence Hall in Milford
 - Residence and Dining Halls in Beatrice
- Phase II, III, and IV Projects which include:
 - Welding Center – Lincoln Campus
 - IT/STEM Center – Lincoln Campus

- Building Construction Facility – Milford Campus
- Agricultural Career Center – Beatrice Campus
- Enhanced Staffing Levels
- Calendar Conversion
- Quality Initiative
- Accreditation Status

SUMMARY PRESENTATION FROM SCC REPRESENTATIVES ON PROGRESS MADE ON FACILITIES PROJECTS INCLUDED IN SCC'S HLC ACTION PLAN (SCC CAMPUS DIRECTORS)

Dr. Illich presented Beatrice Campus Updates and future projects including:

- Completed Projects
 - Homestead Hall
 - SCC Dining
 - Ag Hall
 - Academic Excellence Center
 - Soccer Field
- Facilities Projects in Progress
 - Ag Master Planning
 - Agriculture Center
 - Academic Excellence Center Shell Space
 - Demolition of Jackson and Adams Halls

Ed Koster, Vice President Research, Planning and Technology\ Milford Campus Director, presented Milford Campus Updates including:

- Completed Projects
 - Truck Driving Relocation
 - Meadow Hall
- Discussed Eicher Technical Center ongoing and completed projects
- Upcoming Projects
 - Construction Technologies Center
 - Nebraska Hall
 - Cornhusker Hall demolition

Bev Cummins, Vice President Student Affairs, Lincoln Campus Director, presented Lincoln Campus Updates and Future Projects by phase approach:

- Phase I
 - Education Square safety issues addressed
 - Health Sciences Building, complete
 - Campus infrastructure; roof, utilities, data network, etc. have been addressed
- Phase II
 - Student & Academic Support project
 - Land purchase
 - Healing Gardens
- Phase III

- Welding Technology & AWS Testing Facility
- Science & Technology Center
- Residence Halls & Athletics

SUMMARY PRESENTATION ON PROGRESS MADE ON OTHER AREAS IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT WITHIN SCC'S HLC ACTION PLAN

Dr. Illich presented SCC's self-assessment of 2020-2021 progress:

- Assessment of Facilities
 - Meets expectations
 - Continued progress on Phase I, Phase II, and Phase III as overviewed in Campus Directors' presentation
- Assessment of Student Learning
 - Meets expectations
 - Adopted Institutional Learning Outcomes
 - Implemented Nuventive assessment software solution
 - Revised General Education Learning Outcome rubrics
 - Held two assessment professional development trainings (October 2020 and September 2021)
- Co-curricular Assessment
 - Below expectations
 - Adopted Institutional Learning Outcomes to guide all curricular and co-curricular assessment processes
 - Hire Institutional Outcomes Assessment Coordinator
 - Established a co-curricular communication plan
 - Developed co-curricular communication plan
- Policies and Procedures
 - Published all policies and procedures on SCC's public website
 - Expanded shared governance structure into creation and revision processes of College policy and procedure
 - Student Complaints and Concerns policy adopted by Board of Governors
 - Continued review and revision of policies and procedures using the established process
- Program Length
 - Meets expectations
 - Converted to semester calendar
 - All programs currently at 75 semester hours or below
- Strategic Planning
 - Exceeds expectations
 - Expanded department leader training on planning process and developing data-informed goals
 - Further development of program-level data reports of College's Strategic Plan metrics in Tableau Server
 - Launched new Strategic Plan 2020-2024, revised mission and values statements, new vision statement, revised Strategic Goals and Objectives

UPDATE FROM HLC LIAISON ON EVALUATION OF PROGRESS MADE IN YEAR 2 OF SCC'S HLC ACTION PLAN

Dr. Bordenkircher briefly reviewed the slides used by Dr. Illich, noting that the college is on track with the assessment.

LINCOLN CAMPUS HOUSING FACILITY

Dr. Illich presented the results of the institutional research and external study on demand for Lincoln Campus Student Housing and how the research was conducted, showing demand for student housing. He also discussed design considerations.

Additionally, Dr. Illich, Scott Keene of Piper Sandler, and Colleen Duncan of Gilmore Bell, presented information on past and future financing, the revenue bond timeline for this project, and the bond resolution. Bond resolution would be reviewed and sent to Board of Governors after work session. Bond resolution will be presented to board for approval at October meeting.

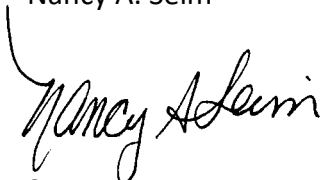
RECESS AND ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Boellstorff declared the Board in recess at 1:19 p.m. and a return to work session at 1:25 p.m.

Chairperson Boellstorff declared the Board in recess at 2:09 p.m. and a return to work session at 2:19 p.m.

Chairperson Boellstorff adjourned the work session at 3:01 p.m.

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SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WORK SESSION

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Southeast Community College
Beatrice Campus
4771 West Scott Road, Beatrice, Nebraska
Academic Excellence Center – Room 134

WORK SESSION AGENDA – 12:00 P.M.

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Meeting Called to Order

Roll Call

Public Meeting Law Compliance Statement

Topics for Discussion:

1. Update from HLC Liaison on SCC's Action Plan to Address its Assurance Review Findings and Overview of HLC and Role of Accreditation
2. Summary Presentations from SCC Representative on Progress Made on Facilities Projects Included in SCC's HLC Action Plan
3. Summary Presentation on Progress made on Other Areas in Need of Improvement within SCC's HLC Action Plan
4. Update from HLC Liaison on Evaluation of Progress Made in Year 2 of SCC's HLC Action Plan
5. Lincoln Campus Housing Facility

Adjournment

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