

## MINUTES

### WEST VIRGINIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE EDUCATION

June 11, 2020

A meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education, was held via Zoom and conference call on June 11, 2020, beginning at 9:30 am. Council members present were: Bill Baker, Kenneth Boggs, Robert Brown, Christina Cameron, Michael Farrell, Michael Graney, Tracy Miller, Steve Roberts, John Sorrenti and Harry Keith White. Absent were: Kathy D'Antoni and Charles Parker. Also in attendance were Chancellor Tucker, Council staff, community and technical college presidents, faculty, staff, students, and guests.

#### **Call to Order**

Robert Brown, Chairman, called the meeting to order, and noted that a quorum was present.

#### **1. Election of Officers for the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education**

Ms. Cameron moved that the current slate of officers continue to serve: Robert Brown as Chairman, Christina Cameron as Vice Chairman and Steve Roberts as Secretary.

Chairman Brown opened the floor to nominations. No other nominations were heard.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Baker moved the adoption of minutes from the April 23, 2020 and the May 4, 2020, meetings of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **3. Update on Efforts to Identify Efficiencies and Improve Data-Driven Decision-Making In Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Chris Treadway, Senior Director of Research and Policy introduced Sarah Collins, Chief Strategy Officer from Ad Astra. Ms. Collins leads the formation of partnerships with institutions, state education systems, and state leaders to advance our country's goal for higher education attainment by focusing on

improving the way academic resources are allocated and managed. She presented information regarding the response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

## **Academic Affairs**

### **4. Annual Reauthorization of Two-Year Degree-Granting Institutions**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Annual Reauthorization for Blue Ridge Community and Technical College, BridgeValley Community and Technical College, Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, Mountwest Community and Technical College, New River Community and Technical College, Pierpont Community and Technical College, Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College, West Virginia Northern Community College, and West Virginia University at Parkersburg; American National University, Huntington Junior College, Laurel Business Institute, Martinsburg College, Mountain State College, Valley College (Martinsburg), Valley College (Beckley), West Virginia Junior College (Morgantown), and West Virginia Junior College (Charleston /Bridgeport).

Ms. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **Finance and Facilities**

### **5. WV Council for Community and Technical College Education FY 2021 Operating Budget**

Mr. Roberts moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the operating budget for the Council System office for fiscal year 2021.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **6. Tuition and Fees FY 2021**

Ed Magee, Vice Chancellor for Finance, stated that West Virginia Code requires the Council to approve any resident tuition and fee increase greater than ten percent in any one year or where the increase would be more than seven percent per year. All community and technical college institutions have reported either zero percent or an increase percentage below what the Council is required to approve for FY 2021. Details regarding the breakdown of tuition and fees were provided in the agenda item.

**7. FY 2021 Higher Education Resource Assessment (HERA)**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Higher Education Resource Assessment (HERA) for Fiscal Year 2021 to the community and technical colleges as shown in Table 1 of the agenda item.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**General**

**8. WV Invests Suspension of Community Service for Summer of 2020**

Mr. Baker moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the suspension of the community service requirement for Summer 2020.

Ms. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**9. Higher Education Adult Part-time Student (HEAPS) In Demand Programs**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves areas of training for skill development and demand occupations for the workforce development component of HEAPS for fiscal year 2021.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**10. Technical Program Development Grant Awards**

CORRECTION: Total amount of awards is \$700,178

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the Technical Program Development grant awards as proposed.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**11. Revision to Council Rule Series 1, Perkins Formula**

Ms. Cameron moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the recommended revision to Series 1, *Perkins Formula*, and instructs staff to file the rule for the required 30-day public comment period.

FURTHER RESOLVED, if no substantive comments are received, staff is instructed to final file the rule.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Information Items**

**12. 2019 Higher Education Almanac**

Zorrie Georgieva, Senior Research and Policy Analyst, introduced Council members to the new, annual West Virginia Higher Education Almanac (formerly the Higher Education Report Card) and discussed how the information and data within may be used to inform institution and state-level policy decisions. The Almanac is available for viewing or download at: <http://www.wvhepc.edu/resources/data-and-publication-center/>

**13. College-Going Rate of 2019 West Virginia Public High School Students**

The Division of Policy and Planning compiles data on the college-going patterns of recent West Virginia high school graduates in order to calculate the annual college-going rate (CGR). Recently, new methodologies have been put in place as a result of a collaboration of data use between the Council, West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, West Virginia Department of Education, and Workforce West Virginia. Chris Treadway, Senior Director of Research and Policy and Pam Woods, Statewide Longitudinal Education Data Project Manager, discussed key differences between the old and new CGR methodologies and highlighted notable findings from this year's analysis. The new college-going rate dashboard may be accessed at: <http://www.wvhepc.edu/resources/data-and-publication-center/cgr/>

**14. Perkins State Plan Update**

As required by new Perkins V federal legislation, a new Perkins State Plan is in development. Anthony Hancock, Vice Chancellor, highlighted some of the major aspects of the new plan.

- The newly created Community and Technical College System and Department of Education Joint Leadership Team is tasked with aligning

CTE from K-12 to community college education via career pathways to the workforce.

- High school and college faculty will be invited to participate in a statewide Career Pathway Project. The Project will provide career exploration opportunities beginning in middle school linked to align high school, postsecondary, and adult education CTE programs.
- The comprehensive local needs assessment (CLNA) is a new requirement of Perkins V legislation. Each institution receiving a grant allocation must conduct a needs assessment as outlined by the Perkins Act.
- Improving the alignment to state-identified in-demand occupations.

### **Executive Session**

It was noted for the record that the Council elected to remain in open session for the following items:

**15. Presidential Contract and Compensation at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College**

Ms. Miller moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the contract and compensation for Dr. Charles Terrell as President of Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College as proposed by the institutional board of governors.

Mr. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**16. Presidential Contract and Compensation at New River Community and Technical College**

Mr. Baker moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves compensation for Dr. Bonny Copenhaver as President of New River Community and Technical College as proposed by the institutional board of governors.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**17. Presidential Contract and Compensation at West Virginia Northern Community College**

Mr. Baker moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the contract and compensation for Dr. Daniel Mosser as

President of West Virginia Northern Community College as proposed by the institutional board of governors.

Mr. Boggs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**18. Presidential Contract and Compensation at West Virginia University at Parkersburg**

Ms. Cameron moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the contract and compensation increase for Dr. Christopher Gilmer as President of West Virginia University at Parkesburg as proposed by the institutional board of governors.

Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**19. Presidential Contract and Compensation at Blue Ridge Community and Technical College**

Mr. Sorrenti moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves compensation for Dr. Peter Checkovich as President of blue Ridge Community and Technical College as proposed by the institutional board of governors.

Mr. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Additional Board Action and Comments**

Chancellor Tucker stated that working closely with the Department of Education, Council staff have submitted the Perkins V State Plan. She commented that Council staff has worked hard to provide assistance and training to institutions dealing with many challenges effecting the institutions in response to COVID-19. Chancellor Tucker also praised the Financial Aid team that has gone above and beyond in meeting challenges and addressing an overwhelming amount of communication to make sure that students have the financial aid they need in the coming year. She acknowledged and thanked Council staff for successfully keeping the System moving forward and assisting our institutions during this difficult time.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

## **Upcoming Meeting**

Location:               Advanced Technology Center, South Central West Virginia  
                              South Charleston, WV  
Date:                     August 20, 2020  
Time:                     9:30 a.m.

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Robert Brown, Chairman

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Steve Roberts, Secretary