

**GARDEN CITY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
September 14, 2021**

Trustees Present: Leonard Hitz, Dr. Blake Wasinger, Dr. Merilyn Douglass,
Beth Tedrow, Shanda Smith, David Rupp

Others Present: Dr. Ryan Ruda, President
Karla Armstrong, Vice President
Colin Lamb, Vice President
Marc Malone, Vice President
Lance Miller, Executive Information Officer
Matt Stockemer, Web and Systems Administrator
Madilyn Rider, Public Relations Coordinator
Derek Ramos, Dean of Facilities
Jill Stephens, Community Member
Joe Evans, Community Member
Grant Stephens, Community Member
Dawn Stephens, Community Member
Tom Stephens, Community Member
Brent Sinclair, Community Member
Dawn Fuchs, GCCA Administrative Assistant
Holly Chandler, SGA Advisor/Reading Instructor
Toni Douglass, Community Member
Mark Douglass, Community Member
Elizabeth Murrell, Community Member
Aaron Kucharik, Community Member
Mark Hinde, Community Member
Jodie Tewell, Executive Assistant to the President

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Douglass called the board meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

Welcome to the Trustees monthly September board meeting. Thank you for your patience with the audio system.

The trustees took a moment of silence in honor of the student we lost this past month, William Grunwald. Our thoughts and prayers are with his friends and family.

The Board approved 2021-2022 Budget on Monday, September 13. The Board approved to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate as mandated by the Kansas Law Senate Bill 13 that was passed in the 2021 legislation. The Board of Trustees also approved the 2021-2022 Garden City Community College Budget with mill levy of 24.529 mills which was a minor increase of .14 increase from the year previous.

The FHSU Transfer Center will be hosting an Open House on September 28, starting at 1:30 in the library.

Members of the GCPD and other local first responders were in attendance for the 9/11 Ceremony held on campus. Thank you to Brandy Unruh, the GCCC Criminal Justice Program, and SGA for organizing this poignant event so we can remember the victims, survivors, and first responders of the September 11 attacks. May we never forget.

One board member is ill, and one is on zoom. The Board does have a quorum.

B. Report for SGA

Elizabeth Murrell, president for SGA, reported that the executive team would rotate throughout the year so the trustees could get to know them better. Elizabeth discussed events that SGA has held since the beginning of the semester, along with upcoming events. (Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES:

Dawn Fuchs, Administrative Assistant to the GCCCA
Chantale Riddle, Assistant Volleyball Coach

Chair Douglass welcomed our new faculty member and coach.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Douglass requested to pull item F for further discussion.

Move to approve the consent agenda Items A, B, C, D, E for approval.

Motion: Beth Tedrow

Second: David Rupp

Ayes: Douglass, Tedrow, Smith, Rupp, Hitz

Nays: None

Motion Carries: 5-0

ITEM F: Grow Well Access to Clinical Services Group Agreement.

Chair Douglass recused herself, and Vice-Chair Tedrow led the Grow Well Access to Clinical Services Group Agreement meeting. Dr. Ruda discussed that this is a membership between Blue Cross and Blue Shield and Grow well with the trustees. This is an add-on benefit for GCCC employees. There is no extra charge for employees to GCCC employees. We will utilize the reserves we have through the BCBS funds. The administration brings this recommendation before the Board to approve using the fund reserves through Blue Cross and Blue Shield for this added-on benefit. Trustee Hitz is concerned about a conflict of interest. The trustee in question does not head up but is an employee of Grow Well. The administration has gone through legal, and employees have other options for health care, and it does not have exclusivity with Grow Well. We are not contracting with Grow Well. There were no other bids because it was through BCBS. Our contract is with BCBS, and this partnership was brought through them.

Move to approve the membership with Blue Cross and Blue Shield and Grow Well and the use of GCCC fund reserves through Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Motion: David Rupp

Second: Shanda Smith

Ayes: Rupp, Smith, Tedrow

Nays: Hitz

Carries: 3 -1

Clarification: The owner of Grow Well is Revere Health Care Solutions

(A) Approval of minutes of previous meetings
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

(B) Approval of personnel actions-Human Resources
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

(C) Financial information
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

(D) Resolution for the State of Kanas Municipal Investment Pool
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

(E) Clarification of Funding for Approval of Transportation Building Contract
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

III. CONFIRMATION OF MONITORING REPORTS:

A. Monitoring Reports and Ends.....**Consensus Approval**

A-1 Annual, Workforce Development (pg 8)

Responsive to community economic development and employer needs. There is much information in the report on how we connect with community needs.

A-2 Bi-Annual, Board Job Descriptions (pg 19)

Dave Rupp reported on the BAA. The Board is continually looking for new members. (Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

Shanda Smith deferred the Endowment Association Board report to the October meeting.

The Board accepted the monitoring reports as presented.

IV. OTHER

A. Public Comments

Jill Stephens

Katarina Zagorac

Brent Sinclair

Toni Douglass

B. President's Report

Dr. Ruda reported on fall sporting events, men's and women's cross-country teams, the two athletes named to Jayhawk runners of the week, John Deere program earned platinum level and legal services for request proposal. (Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

C. Incidental Information

(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

D. Report from FCEDC

RMJ planning is conducting a statewide housing study. Several projects are in the works to get more residential housing.

E. Report from KACCT

Trustee Tedrow reported on the August 26-27 Conference. Handouts were provided on a recap of the June 2021 meeting. Trustee Tedrow discussed agenda items including the Governor's Education Council, the Kansas Kan Tour, redistricting, tax revenues, critical race theory, and the passed Promise Scholarship. (Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

F. Report from Faculty Senate

Gabe Winger started the report when Jill Stephens, a community member, called a point of order for the Board to call for a vote on whether or not she deserves the waiver outside of what President Ruda has determined. A community member cannot call a point of order. Trustee Douglass recommends that this be tabled until the next board meeting to review the packet information presented by Jill Stephens.

Gabe Winger reported on Faculty Senate. The Committee met last Friday. They will periodically review policies to ensure that the policies are updated with all current language, and we are doing our best for GCCC employees and students. They have started with the Academic Ethics Policy. Faculty Senate is working with the College council regarding committees. They have nominated several employees to committees ensuring all faculty are serving the campus.

G. Accreditation Update

VP Malone discussed information regarding 5A Criterion.
(Supporting documents filed with official minutes)

V. OWNERSHIP LINKAGE

Trustee Hitz discussed an email from a community member and asked that all trustees be consulted before responses were sent out.

During the meeting, Trustee Hitz was given a note asking that the Board call an executive session to review Jill Stephens's packet handed to Trustees during open comments. The state law states that they cannot add anything to the agenda without giving the public a three-day notice. This item will be added to the next board meeting agenda.

Dayton Moore, a graduating Alum, was promoted to president of the KC Royals.

Upcoming Calendar Dates:

September 16	Coffee with the President, Central Cup Coffee Shop, 8:30 am Men's Soccer vs OK Panhandle JV 6 pm
September 17	All Employee Meeting FA Auditorium 2: 30 Constitution Day, SGA Activity Volleyball vs Cloud County 6:30 pm
September 18	Women's Soccer vs Kansas City 12 pm Men's Soccer vs Kansas City 2 pm
September 20	Volleyball vs Hutch 6:30 pm
September 22	Women's Soccer vs Barton 4 pm Men's Soccer vs Barton 6 pm Volleyball vs Colby 6:30 pm
September 23	DPS Advisory Board – Rupp
September 24	Men's Soccer vs Southeast (NE) 5 pm
September 25	Football Tailgate – Chamber After Hours/Endowment 6 pm
September 27 – October 1	Homecoming Week

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October 1	Women's Soccer vs Johnson County 3 pm Men's Soccer vs Johnson County 5 pm Volleyball vs Pratt 6:30 pm
October 2	Football vs Hutch/Homecoming Court
October 6	John Deere Advisory Board – Hitz
October 9	Women's Soccer vs Randall (OK) 4 pm Men's Soccer vs Randall (OK) 6 pm
October 11	Cosmetology Advisory Board – Douglass
October 11 – 15	Endowment Phonathon
October 12 – 16	Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Conference San Diego, CA
October 14	Men's Soccer vs Trinidad State 3 pm
October 16	Volleyball vs Seward County 6:30 pm
October 18	Volleyball vs Barton 6:30 pm
October 19	Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting
October 20	Industrial Maintenance Advisory Board – Tedrow
October 21	Coffee with the President, Baron's Steakhouse 8:30 am
October 22	All Employee Meeting FA Auditorium 2:30 pm
October 23	Women's Soccer vs Dodge City 1 pm Men's Soccer vs Dodge City 3 pm
October 27	Automotive Advisory Board – Smith Volleyball vs Dodge City 6:30 pm
October 29	Volleyball vs Butler 6:30 pm
October 30	Football vs Butler

FA Auditorium carpet will be delivered in next two weeks, and chairs will be placed after that. There were delays due to materials being back-ordered.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 7:44

Jodie Tewell
Deputy Clerk

Dr. Ryan Ruda
President

Dr. Marilyn Douglass
Chairman of the Board