

Members Present via Conference Call	Other Interested Parties Present
Edwina Sluder, Chair	Dr. John Boyd, President
Nancy Burleson	Amanda, Vice President Administration
Gwen Harris	Rita Earley, Vice President Academics & Workforce Development, CAO
Martha Hicks	Margaret Earley-Thiele, Foundation Director
Keith Holtsclaw	Brooke Burleson, Secretary to Board of Trustees
Charles Baker	
Jennie Harpold	
Van Phillips	
Wanda Proffitt	
Bryan Peterson	

Call to Order

Chair Sluder called the Mayland Community College Board of Trustees to order at 12:02pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation

Trustee Burleson offered the Invocation.

Ethics Reminder

Chair Sluder offered the Ethic Reminder.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Burleson made a motion to accept the agenda with a second from Trustee Proffitt. All approved; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the September 28, 2020 minutes and the October 26, 2020 minutes with a second from Trustee Peterson. All approved; motion carried.

Celebrating Success

Chair Sluder informed the Board of the new Trustee Steve Pitman.

Chairman’s Report

Chair Sluder presented the Chairman’s Report:

- a. December 21-23, 2020 college closed for deep cleaning
- b. December 24-25, 2020 Christmas break, college closed
- c. December 28, 2020 college closed for deep cleaning
- d. December 29, 2020 college closed/ Labor Day
- e. December 30, 2020 college closed/Veteran’s Day
- f. December 31, 2020 college closed/Martin Luther King Day

- g. January 1, 2021 college closed/ New Year's Holiday
- h. January 18, 2021 Martin Luther King Day, No Classes/College Open
- i. January 25, 2021 MCC Board Meeting

Committee Reports

- a. Personnel Committee- Committee did not meet
 - i. Other
- b. Finance Committee- Committee did not meet
 - i. Financials- The monthly financials were included in the packet for review.
 - ii. Other
- c. Building and Grounds Committee- Committee did not meet
 - i. Other
- d. Academic Committee- Committee did not meet
 - i. Other

President's Report

Dr. Boyd presented the President's Report:

- a) COVID Update- The Governor has released a new statement regarding the mandatory use of masks on campus. Mrs. Rita Earley gave an update on updating the website with all the recent information regarding COVID precautions.
- b) Construction Update-
 - Cosmetology- Construction is nearing completion with work being done on change orders as well as some electrical work that needs to be completed.
 - Resource Center for Entrepreneurs- Plans are ready
 - Coliseum- We are still in conversations with the YMCA for possible partnerships.
 - Hotel- The County had a public input session to discuss further funds. There has been some Facebook posts that have drawn some public input posted by one of the upcoming Commissioners. Plans are to open the hotel in May 2021. There is still funds left to raise for completion of this project. Foundation Director Margaret Earley-Thiele has scheduled a meeting with the Chef at Stonewalls in Banner Elk to discuss possibly working in the restaurant/bar area of the hotel. Serving as the contractor for the project has saved a substantial amount of money.
 - Welding Building- Project is moving forward and the finances are manageable.
 - Planetarium- Construction continues to move forward. The foundation is set to pour very soon. The septic system for this area is being treated as a separate project and is moving along.
 - ESP- The Becky and Ed Anderson outdoor classroom is in process along with the Wanda and Bob Proffitt garden. Naming's for other features are still available.
 - Observatory- The landscaping is near completion and looks amazing. Handrails and gutters are the only items left to complete. The Avery County Commissioners are scheduled for a viewing in December. Senator Warren Daniel and his family have been out for a viewing and were very impressed.
- c) Budget Update- Due to COVID we are still unable to enter the prisons which is a big loss of revenue for MCC. Relief funds have been difficult to use based off all the restrictions. The Administrative Cabinet review the budget at the end of the year to make a plan for the upcoming year. Inability to serve in the prisons can result in a 20% decrease.
- d) Other

New Business

A copy of the 2020/2021 Board of Trustee calendar was given as a reminder of the meetings for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Adjourn

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:39pm with a second from Trustee Hicks. All approved.

Respectfully submitted by Brooke Burlison, Secretary to the Board of Trustees.