BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting

Student Union Building – Treasure Chest Room Saturday, June 23, 2018 – 8:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Members Present

Val DeFever Mike Wood Jana Shaver Terry Clark Norman Chambers Cynthia Sherwood

Others Present

Daniel Barwick, President
Tammie Geldenhuys, Vice-President for Student Affairs, Athletics & Admissions
Brad Henderson, Marketing Director
Jason Brown, Head Football Coach
Jason Martin, Assistant Football Coach
Keith Donerson, Assistant Football Coach
John Eubanks, Professor of Business/Accounting
LaTonya Pinkard, Associate Professor of English

Guests

Steve McBride, Reporter
Andy Taylor, Montgomery County Chronicle
Ron Osborn, Community Member
Liz Moore, Community Member
Hoite Caston, Community Member
Louis Ysusi, City Commissioner/Vice Mayor
Marty Reichenberger, Community Member
Kristen Torres, Community Member

I. ROUTINE

- A. Call to Order Val DeFever called the special meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The meeting began with a brief explanation by Dr. Barwick apologizing for the early meeting time and explaining that it was the only time that a quorum of Trustees was available.
- B. Approval of Agenda Terry Clark moved to approve the agenda. Cynthia Sherwood seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.
- C. Welcome Guests Val DeFever welcomed the guests and provided an overview of options for public comment on items pertaining to the agenda.

II. INSTITUTIONAL OPERATIONS

A. Practice Field Fundraising Campaign/Construction Project Action – Norman Chambers moved the following: "In consideration of the considerable donor support the College has received for construction of a turf athletic practice field, the need for a safe practice surface for our student-athletes, the limited time remaining until the fall 2018 athletic season, the improvement in our gender equity compliance through the creation of a multi-use facility, and on condition that the construction project requires no additional taxpayer funds for construction and maintenance above what is being spent now on athletic facilities, I move that the Board approve the project with the final bid not to exceed \$590,000.

The ICC Board of Trustees recognizes the longstanding support of the ICC Foundation, expresses its appreciation for that support, and invites the Foundation to become a substantial partner in this project. The Board also recognizes that this project will allow for multiple uses of the facility, including football practice, stunt/cheer practice, softball practice when weather permits, community events, marching band practice and health and physical education classes." Terry Clark seconded the motion.

A substantial discussion ensued with questions from Ron Osborn, Andy Taylor, and Kristin Torres regarding costs and funding plans. Ron Osborn asked whether there was a negative Title IX implication. Dan Barwick responded that in his opinion, the project provided measurable gender equity benefits, as the facility would be shifted from a single male use to multi-gender use and would also be used by academics. Ron Osborn asked how the project fit into the overall strategic planning of the College. Dan Barwick responded that this project was phase one of a project already contained in the Facilities Master Plan, which is part of the Strategic Plan, and that the only thing that is being affected is the timeline. Andy Taylor asked whether the current capital improvement funds available would need to be used for the project; Dan Barwick replied that if the fundraising campaign was successful the use of those funds would not be necessary, but that it remains a possible source of funds. He pointed out that the Facilities Master Plan assumed the use of the capital funds for this project. Kristin Torres asked whether ICC's participation in the project was dependent on support from the ICC Foundation. Dan Barwick replied that it was not, as the motion proposed by Norman Chambers does not contain that provision. Hoite Caston raised objections on a variety of fronts, primarily regarding what he perceived as the financial emphasis on football, and he requested whatever data ICC has about what other schools spend on their football teams. Dan Barwick agreed to provide that data. Mike Wood spoke of how his view on the project had changed as he had learned the facts about the project. Liz Moore asked why the project could not be done a year from now, objecting to the short timeline. Mike Wood replied that the short timeline was not by choice, as the USD 446 had only recently made the decision to remove ICC's access to the stadium as a practice facility. Cynthia Sherwood voiced the need to move quickly to ensure the safety of the students. Mike Wood called the question. The vote on his request was 5-1 in favor, with Jana Shaver voting no. Norman Chambers then re-read his motion and a vote on the motion was held. The motion was passed 5-1, with Jana Shaver voting no.

III. ADJOURN – Cindi Sherwood moved to adjourn the meeting. Terry Clark seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Daniel Barwick on Behalf of Beverly Harris, Board Clerk

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