ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING WEDNESDAY, May 13, 2020, 5:00 p.m. via Zoom Technology

Present: F. Watson, B. Vacca, T. Weddell, M. Murphy, R. Martucci, F. Hannes, T. Hunter, A.

Patterson

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Watson called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

The following is a transcript of the recorded board meeting.

Chair Watson: This meeting of the Orange County Board of Trustees will now come to

order. Secretary Murray, will you please call the roll?

Carol Murray: Yes, sure I can. Chair Watson is here.

Chair Watson: Present.

Carol Murray: Trustee Murphy?

Trustee Murphy: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hunter?

Trustee Hunter: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hannes?

Trustee Hannes: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Martucci?

Trustee Martucci: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Weddell?

Trustee Weddell: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Vacca?

Trustee Vacca: Here.

Carol Murray: Trustee Patterson? We do expect Aaliaya, Chair Watson. I'll watch for

her.

Chair Watson: Excellent. We have a quorum.

Carol Murray: We do.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Watson: First order of business is the Consent Agenda of the Trustees. The

Trustees have received the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting. The

Chair will entertain a motion for approval.

Trustee Martucci: So moved. Trustee Vacca: Second.

Chair Watson: That was Trustee Martucci and second by Trustee Vacca. All in favor of

the Consent Agenda, indicate. Secretary Murray can you please call the

roll again.

Carol Murray: Sure. Chair Watson?

Chair Watson: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Murphy?

Trustee Murphy: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hunter?

Trustee Hunter: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hannes?

Trustee Hannes: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Martucci?

Trustee Martucci: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Weddell?

Trustee Weddell: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Vacca?

Trustee Vacca: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Patterson? Not here yet.

Chair Watson: Next order of business we will move to the Reports section of our Agenda.

President Dr. Kristine Young.

III. REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Dr. Kristine Young)

President Young: Good evening, Chair Watson. Good evening to all Trustees and to all

gathered this evening. Briefly, I will remind everyone that we are able to meet via Zoom – this mediated technology by Executive Order of the Governor, an ongoing Executive Order, and just as a reminder, a couple of requirements of that Executive Order is that this is being recorded and you can see that in the left top corner of your screen and in compliance with that Executive Order that, in addition to, or I should say, in place of just regular minutes, this entire meeting will come in the form of a transcript so that all members of the community can review what has happened here this evening. So, just as a reminder, what days have we overall in our locality in our County and in our States and in our Nation. I want to give as pithy a President's Report as possible, but also a comprehensive one to help the Trustees in the decision making that they have ahead of them. But first I would like to share some good news in the midst of everything that is going on. First, I want to celebrate three items. The first is a student by the name of Brianna Einhorn who I have had the pleasure to meet through her participation in our ECCL program, that is a leadership program run through the Eleanor Roosevelt Center, the Val kill Center, that works with community college students at various local community colleges regarding leadership. So I am pleased to know her personally and she has received a very, very, very generous scholarship to Boston University to continue her studies reducing the cost of her attendance to something that sounds strikingly like the cost of attendance here at SUNY Orange. So, I am extremely proud of her and I know a number of our community know her

well and are exceedingly proud of her. I believe that she was connected to PTK and was a part of that recognition as well. So, we are proud of Brianna and wanted to share that news with you. The second piece of good news is maybe two months ago I shared with you that Professor Tom Giorgianni, in our Computer Science and Technology Department, received the President's Award for Teaching Excellence at our college and he was recommended by our Shared Governance enterprise to be advanced to the Chancellor for her consideration for the Chancellor's Award for the same consideration for an award by the same name of Teaching Excellence and we have received notification in the past week or ten days that indeed he has been named the Chancellor's Award winner for Teaching Excellence this year. So, Tom, Doctor, Dr. G., as he is known by his students and colleagues, has been recognized as such. One of the downsides of our current situation is that we don't even have the medal yet to send to him. It has not found its way from Albany to Middletown but we will get him that medal and at the very least, thanks to Paul Basinski, we will use part of the last Assembly of the year to at least verbally recognize Dr. G. as the award winner and at the time and place where we can come back together in a more traditional way, we will celebrate him traditionally. That individual gets to speak and be recognized in some other ways, so we will make it right with Dr. G. at the right time and place. He is aware and we will begin celebrating him publicly here in the next several weeks and then do it all again when we can. I would also like to mention, that one among the Trustees has made a very generous contribution to the Student Emergency Fund and I don't know if I am supposed to call them out by name but I want to thank our secret Trustee donor and I am sure Dawn Ansbro might say more about the Student Emergency Fund.

I know that since COVID-19 in mid-March really consumed us, last I knew, over 77 students, it is probably more than that now, reached out to that fund to ask for assistance in all manner of, oh my gosh, financial assistance with all sorts of things that have been thrown in their path to completing their studies. Things that we can't probably even imagine, so thank you to that Trustee for contributing to that fund and I am wagering that Dawn will talk about a match that SUNY has put out there, right now, dollar-for-dollar for every dollar that we raise that they are matching in the emergency fund account – so that is an exciting opportunity and more good news, so thank you to that Trustee.

There are two more items that are a little lengthier and may be less fulfilling So the fifth thing, I know I just skipped four, but I want to give you an update on the advocacy I have done. In the space of three days, I reached every one of our elected officials in the State as well as our two US Senators and one US Congressperson, as well as our County Executive, so I want to give everyone an update on our advocacy. But

before that, I would like to ask the three Vice Presidents if they would be a part of my President's Report and give you a little context of some of the work that is going on right now that you might not otherwise hear about that has to do with COVID-19 and some of the impact as we move forward. So, we are going to start with Vinnie and then ask Gerianne and then end with Erika. Vinnie has been wearing the Vice President for Administration and Finance cap for the past month with respect to Facilities, so I would like him to share how we have been using Kaplan Hall at the Newburgh Campus and how he has been helping the State use it in a unique way to help with COVID-19 issues. I have asked Gerianne to give you a preview of the impact of COVID-19 on our enrollment for Summer and Fall, and then I would like Erika to give you a very, very early preview on what our Fall semester plans are. We have always been open – so this is not "when we re-open" – please I have coached everyone to say "we have always been open" so Erika is going to talk about our very early ideas about what a physical safe return to campus in Fall might look like. So, Dana, I hope I have stalled long enough ...

Dana Salkowsky: You are fine, Dr. Young, all of your Vice Presidents are visible and

unmuted.

President Young: Thank you, I took one "Intro to Acting" class so I hope that was a long

enough stage stall for you and there is Vinnie. So, Vinnie can you talk

about what is going on in Newburgh, briefly? Thank you.

Vinnie Cazzetta: So, a couple of weeks ago the Newburgh Campus and, specifically Kaplan

Hall and the Orange Bank & Trust Great Room, has become an antibody testing site. The tests go on Monday through Saturday from noon to 5:00 p.m. Originally, they were for State Troopers and Air National Guard and now it has expanded over the last couple of days. This testing will now go on through June 6th and as the Governor continues to open up various sectors of industry and commerce, those folks are then allowed to receive antibody testing and they are using the Newburgh Campus as one of the sites to do antibody testing. I have been working closely with the NYS Health Department and they have been working closely with our Facilities folks in terms of maintenance and our Security folk, so kudos to our team on the ground in Newburgh in Maintenance and Security who have done a

great job working with the State.

President Young: Thank you Vinnie, approximately, I think it was about, at least when the

troopers were moving through, I know it was at least about 40 troopers an hour, like some crazy number of people a day. It is a crazy number of

people moving through it on a given day. Am I correct still?

Vinnie Cazzetta: Yes, you are correct.

President Young: So, thank you for coordinating that, thank you like you said, to our staff

over there. It is important work. I know it is very important to the Governor and to the State so thank you. Gerianne, I think I called you out next. There is never, there is no comparison in enrollment patterns, we have seen recession before but we have never seen a recession paired with

an honest to God pandemic so could you help us understand what we are seeing in terms of enrollment patterns and as best, as comfortable as you are, and as much as you know, how does that compare to other colleges? Gerianne Brusati: Our news is not good, but our news is comparable to what we are hearing from our other institutions. Some of you may know, many of the four-year schools that usually have a May 1st deposit deadline, have extended that deadline to in some cases to June 1st and even in a few cases to July 1st. The reports are not easy to compare. We did get some information from SUNY. Virtually all of the campuses are showing a downturn, and these are the four years not the community colleges. We are hearing anecdotally that schools are moving to their "wait lists" and appreciate that most of these schools have dormitories to fill in, as well, so, let me just share a little bit about where we are and how we are working remotely to keep moving forward. Our Summer enrollment is down 13%. We start school Summer Session 1 in May, May 26th. We are still enrolling students, registering students everyday so we know that that number is in flux. But that is where we are as of our May 1st report. As far as Fall goes, that is disheartening, as well. We are down 17% from where we were last year on May 1st. We are now tracking enrollment every day because I feel like we may want to go back a year from now and see how things trended and so we are capturing that information on a daily basis. Maynard Schmidt, from Admissions, reports that we are down 164 applications. The bulk of those are actually in our transfer students. We are down 84 transfer applications. That all makes a kind of sense to me. Everybody was thrown off their campus in March so a transfer student who might have had ambitions to transfer or think differently about school is probably still in the throes of final exams and papers so not necessarily thinking about where they are going next. And I would anticipate that many of the four-year schools are working very very hard to keep the student body that they have situated. So, we will know more about that but that was a dramatic downturn for us. As far as recruitment activities go, we have had to move everything to a remote format including things like our "Incoming Students Day" but I'll tell you that we have events planned once a week from now through June for applicants and new admits and we actually have a financial aid and scholarship workshop tomorrow with 35 families registered. So, people are taking advantage of connecting with us and that is a nice healthy number given the situation that people are finding themselves in. We have expedited the assessment process – we can't bring students to campus to do placement testing, but we are working with the Math and English departments. We have done a local Math assessment and an English assessment using high school test score and grades so in an odd way that is actually helping us move more quickly because we can review a student's transcript and then get them into the registration stage once they are admitted. We also are doing, I know one of the Trustees asked about this, I think last time we met, and that was how are we communicating admissions decisions and those are now going as emails to students. So,

again, we have cut out every bit of time between when we admit you and when we are notifying you of that admission. And, finally, we are doing weekly Zoom admission sessions and interviews and appointments for families. We have been doing that since we went on break, but I think most of you know, but I will just say it, our most active time is June, July and August, we typically are registering roughly 400+ students a week, every two weeks, from now until school starts, so this is when our machine gears up and then just a final thing to say on all of this, something we had not done before but Dr. Young crafted a letter that went out under the President's name to all of the high school principals in our County sort of talking about the situation that we all find ourselves in and encouraging them to have their students know the value of what they can have and what they can find at SUNY Orange, a place that's close to home for students who might be thinking twice about their first-round plans for college in the Fall. So that letter is out there in all of the principals' hands, as well. So that is where we are as of right now.

Erika Hackman:

President Young: Thank you, Gerianne and to answer what would those students be coming to, Erika could I ask you to describe ... we understand ... we thought on the 15th we would know if we were going to be un-paused, but it doesn't look like we are going to be un-paused so I understand you are describing a situation that you just don't know what at this point, what are you aiming toward, as you best understand it, in that last week of August? Sure, sure. But before I get to plans for Fall, I just want to acknowledge that we are in the midst of the final stretch of the 2020 Spring semester. We are completing final exams this week, and so just a huge thank you and congratulations to all of our dedicated faculty who have been working so hard to get students to the finish line. The students and the support staff across the college, IT support, everyone really stepped up so just a big thank you to everyone for being so incredibly remarkable in such a challenging semester.

> I am glad that Gerianne mentioned the placement plans. That has been a huge lift on behalf of the Math and English departments. We feel really good though about having a solid plan and some flexibility in making some adjustments that first week of classes so we can appropriately place students into the correct levels of English and Math so thank you to those folks who have been involved in that effort. But in regards to Fall, just yesterday, I received a memo from NYS Ed, the Higher Education Commissioner, sort of an eight page memo that said a whole lotta "yeah, yeah we know you need direction and we're working on it" and in fact, the SUNY Chief Academic Officers met with some representatives from State yesterday and we just begged and pleaded to say would you please give us guidance that we understand what sort of flexibility we have in regard to our courses and programs. And, in their defense, they are waiting for guidance from the US Department of Education so that we don't mess students up with regard to their ability to qualify for financial aid so all of

that said, I did send a memo to our department chairs just last week, May 6th, and asked them to bear with us, they are asking us to make the call, too, and figure out how to move forward, understandably so, so what we are trying to do is use last week and the upcoming week before our faculty leave campus, to do what we are calling "contingency planning" for the Fall. I think contingency planning is a reasonable and smart position to be in. Should we find that we are not able to return large groups of students to our campus in the Fall, with the expectation that we will need to continue to look at instructional scenarios that include low density on both campuses. Now, that said, that conversation is more challenging in some of our applied areas, as I have shared with the Board before, and you know that our health professions students in particular in the license professions areas, who have not been able to continue in their clinical assignments, were particularly challenged in those disciplines to get students to complete clinical experiences. Some of those program accreditors will allow for us to simulate those experiences using technology, using software, some will allow simulated experiences on our campus. We have not opened the campus to that kind of activity yet. But we are preparing to do so. So, we are working with a very small group of students but, hopefully, in the next couple of weeks, we will be able to bring students from the Med Lab Tech program. We have received clearance from NYS Ed for those plans but we need to insure that we have the appropriate PPE for those students, get Facilities lined up to insure that we have facilities cleaned appropriately on a regular basis, so we will start small. But the goal is to get those students who are really so close to graduating, being able to sit for their Board Exams. We want to get those students, and they want, to graduate and they want to get out into the field. So as soon as we can do so responsibly, that is also in the immediate future. We have accepted a new class of students to all of those Selective Admissions programs, our health professions chairs are working very hard on trying to figure out how we can both catch up those students who were getting ready to graduate but still need to make up clinical hours but also provide a welcoming and rigorous experience for our new class of students. So, I think that is all for my area of the college. Thank you.

President Young: Thank you, Dr. Hackman. I will complete my report and if any of the Trustees have any questions, we can circle back and ask any of the Vice Presidents for more information on any of these or other topics, but as I roll in, I appreciate that this is already a longer than average Report but as I roll into the advocacy update as I was saying the word "senator" before, I realized I was reminded that as part of my good news I also meant to mention a different sort of senator, that is Senator Jacques Stanley, who is a student senator at the college right now who ran a successful campaign to be the next Student Trustee to the Orange County Community College Board of Trustees. And I believe that Mr. Stanley intended to be part of the audience this evening.

Dana Salkowsky: He is here, Dr. Young.

President Young: Yeah? Yeah? Ok good because Mr. Watson and I invited him on behalf of the Board of Trustees to be here this evening. So, he is here in the audience, so congratulations Mr. Stanley on your winning campaign. You come to your role at an exceedingly interesting time and we look forward to getting to know you, particularly over the summer. Typically, Chair Watson and I will meet with you over the summer and orient you to the role, swear you in in September and you will be a full member of the Board of Trustees. And I thank you for attending tonight and observing us and we look forward to working with you on your very important role of representing students in a year, but particularly in the year ahead. So, thank you for being with us this evening.

I am using the word "senator" now in the way I had thought, yes, many senators were spoken to in the last several days ... Senators like Skoufis and Metzger and representatives Schumer and Gillibrand, as well as many of our elected officials - I could take an hour talking about this but the way I would boil it down is like this. You know that New York has spent its resources protecting its people from the Corona Virus – it has not realized the revenue it would ever have expected since our businesses have been shuttered. I think we would agree appropriately in this time, the calls that I have made, we can have a little spirited debate about what the cut would be but everyone agrees that community colleges fall into the "Aid to Localities" portion of the enacted budget that it would probably be no less than a 20% cut to community colleges but the numbers that SUNY was talking about 30% to 50% are the numbers that come up more frequently and that is what we are bracing for. Our State elected officials love this college, appreciate our faculty, celebrate our faculty, celebrate our staff, understand who our students are, understand the support our students need and want to work for this college, but when we talk with them, what can we do at the State level? The resources are not there to fill that gap and to do everything else that New York needs done right now. So, their advice to me was to really use your time with Senator Schumer, Senator Gillibrand and Congressman Maloney, wisely. So, I did. And I imagine many of you saw last night that the House announced a very significantly sized relief package. I have not had the time, as Paul Basinski pointed out to me this morning, it is 1,800 pages, so that explains why I haven't found the time, but the Summary I have seen, it does have Aid to Localities in there and it does have some call outs for higher education which is a stance that I took in those calls. Will it survive the Senate? Will it get to us in time? What is our clock in New York? Nothing is definite but it looks like our clock will really begin maybe on Friday. Again, nothing is definite, but it seems that mid-May to late May is going to be when that ten-day clock we have heard discussed, will run. So we will know our fate probably by the end of May and the size of the State cut that is coming our way and then we will be positioned to understand the response we need to make as a college, the loss of revenue to us and the responses that we have to make as a college as a consequence. So, to the

Board, for whom this meeting is organized, of course, but I know we have many in attendance tonight. If you are asking what can I do tonight and if you want to make a second wave of advocacy calls because you sure as heck made a first wave of advocacy calls, and they were effective, thank you for that work, because you helped me when I made these calls more recently. You put me on a very strong footing to have these conversations. I did not have to explain who we are and why this is important and what the consequences were. Our elected officials understood, so I could start at a higher place so if you want to do it again, it is our federal officials, and I guess, particularly, it is down to our Senate – Senator Schumer and Senator Gillibrand. Please know they understand – you do not have to convince them of the importance of the work that we do, they know who we are. They know the importance of the work, invest your time and energy into talking just how important this money is to this college and to community colleges to do the work we do and continue the work we do. That is what I would say. So, again, thank you for your help, and I will let that conclude my report, so Chair Watson, if there is any follow up questions from you or the Board members, I would certainly be happy to entertain.

Chair Watson:

Questions, Board members? If not, we will continue on with the meeting. We thank you for that update, Dr. Young, and we thank all of the VPs for their efforts, as well. Under Reports, next up is our Governance President, Paul Basinski.

B. REPORT OF THE COLLEGE GOVERNANCE SYSTEM (Paul Basinski)

Chair Watson: Welcome Paul.

Paul Basinski: Hello Fred. Thank you so much. I must say it is good to see all of the

Trustees looking so virtually well. I am disappointed that Dr. Young has not gotten through all one thousand eight hundred thirty-seven pages of the latest federal package. Extraordinary the kind of work that United States Congress can do in a month when they set their minds to it, isn't it? It is food for thought, truly, ladies and gentlemen. I also want to reference something that Kris said at the outset, that is Brianna Einhorn who is receiving a very generous scholarship, deservedly so, from Boston University, and she will be a proud graduate of the International Studies degree program of the Global Studies department and was not just an extraordinary student, but an exceptional human being, a person to be around, so we are going to miss her but are proudly sending her on to the next step of her education in Massachusetts. Well, Trustees, I want to say that we did it – or have nearly done it – Shared Governance finishes up its operations for the year next week. With fully one quarter of our academic year business conducted virtually – which obviously, is a first for us and the college so I want to reach back, Kris will appreciate this, into the grab bag of quotes once again, to Sir Winston Churchill and as Governance

President I am paraphrasing "I had the luck to be called upon to give the roar" to give the roar ... and organize our efforts to maintain the work of governance through the COVID-19 crisis, but I have to report to you, Trustees, that it was our Vice President, Josh Lavorgna, Michelle Tubbs. who you are very familiar with as our faculty council delegate, our Executive Committee, it was the 15 chairs who have so ably run, now virtually, for the last two months, our standing committees. It is also administration who I think you are aware is intimately involved in the efforts of governance in ex officio capacity on our standing committees and it is certainly the hundreds of folks who attended our virtual Assemblies the last couple of months, they have kept the work of Shared Governance and this college moving forward and to them I must say publicly, that I am eternally grateful in whatever way large or small they have risen to this moment on behalf of SUNY Orange. I thank them and I know that the Trustees do as well. So that is what we have accomplished generally and specifically what's left and what have we done? We have one more virtual Assembly, as Dr. Young noted, where we will do a number of things finishing up Governance Business on behalf of the college that will be this coming Wednesday on May the 20th, we have an Executive Committee retreat which will occur next Thursday, on May the 21st which would have been the day of Commencement, but which will now be a virtual day of celebration of our graduates so we will hurry over to that as soon as we get done with the EC Retreat. I also want to thank Dr. Young, personally, because in spite of the exceptional schedule that the CEO of this college has had, she has continued to maintain her normal business operations with governance, in particular with myself and Josh Lavorgna in our one on one meetings, where Kris has been very frank in briefing us about the nature of the COVID crisis as it emerges week to week, day to day sometimes, hour to hour. Those meetings have been absolutely invaluable in terms of keeping governance in the loop. It would have been easy for them to have dropped off the map with everything else that is on Dr. Young's plate so the fact that she persisted and we maintained those lines of communication even in the midst of this crisis, I think demonstrates the nature of the relationship that we have and will continue to have with Dr. Young moving forward. We did conduct an Open Forum with the President as well, which was jointly sponsored by Shared Governance and her office last month that was very well attended. That was another one what I'm calling these "points of contact" that are so essential to maintaining the continuity of the college at this exceptional time. I have to say, getting back to what Kris referenced earlier, that Governance, we are full partners in both the first round of advocacy with our State officials and in particular with this latest round of advocacy with both Federal and State officials. I think that we made them understand the importance of this community college to Orange County and to the Hudson Valley and we told them in unequivocal terms, again and again, that they must maximize any financial assistance they can provide via

Washington or Albany to us and certainly the hundreds, was it hundreds? Certainly, dozens of our members that provided those letters and that information, I think was imperative in moving that process forward. Just a few other quick things, Governance has continued to provide a platform for communication about the Strategic Planning process as well as the SUNY Orange Experience process in our monthly meetings, and we are happy to have been another one of "points of contact" for that. I have to commend Maynard Schmidt who chairs our planning and budgeting for institutional effectiveness committee just this week that committee submitted its final report on budget and planning initiatives for this coming academic year to the President's Cabinet for consideration. That completes the Shared Governance role in that process, and we are pleased that Maynard and his group could dot the I's and cross the T's there. Scholarship Committee continues to finish up its work under the able leadership of Professor Latefi with Dawn Ansbro and the Foundation with regard to scholarships for students for the coming academic year. I can tell you I have a seat on the Emergency Management Team group. I will continue to meet with that group throughout the summer and I am pleased to provide a unique faculty and governance perspective with Kris and her folks in those meetings. We could have dropped the ball in terms of governance nominations and elections, but thanks for Barb Wortman and many others on my Executive Committee we held governance elections for all of the vacancies on our standing committees for next year and we filled most of them for faculty, professional and support staff vacancies. So, we will be able to hit the ground running, virtually or otherwise when we resume operations at the college this Fall. At the college academic policy committee, we worked with Dr. Hackman and the VPAA office in particular to approve another set of temporary modifications. In this case, to academic policy regarding suspension and probation for students. I have been at all of the VPAF Open Forums and have provided some questions and feedback with respect to those candidates at those forums and subsequently as to the preferred choice of candidate that I have for the VPAF position. Social Committee, we can't meet in person, but Liz Murphy who chairs that committee, has been in touch with me and she has some interesting events planned next year whether we return remotely or partially physically or, however. That's the social cement that holds us together as a college, as well. We were able to bring Alex Jakubowski to Assembly for a poetry reading last month. Chris Parker, maestro Parker, will give a piano performance at the final Assembly this coming Wednesday. If any of you know Professor Parker and his playing, what a wonderful way to send our members away for whatever their business will be this summer. I just want to end, Fred, by saying that I have received many calls and emails and encouragement from our membership at this time and whatever way I have been able to help out you folks for the college, I am proud to do so and I look forward to returning as my role as Shared Governance President for this coming academic year. That is my

report on behalf of Shared Governance for the Board of Trustees, thank

you.

Chair Watson: Paul, we thank you for that governance report. Always engaging, and

we'll be looking forward to having you back in the Fall.

Okay, moving forward on our agenda, next up is our Student Trustee,

Aaliaya Patterson. Is she with us?

Dana Salkowsky: Carol, I don't see Aaliaya. I am not sure if she has checked in with you. I

thought I would check first as I scroll through, not sure.

No, she hasn't, but I do see a phone number 6578 that might be her, if you Carol Murray:

can unmute her for a moment.

Dana Salkowsky: I will see. Aaliaya? Is that you? I'm not sure, Carol.

Carol Murray: Okay.

Chair Watson: Okay, I'll move on. If Aaliaya joins us, and Dana please let us know, we

will have her report then.

Dana Salkowsky: Certainly, Mr. Watson.

Chair Watson: Okay, next on the agenda is Vinnie Cazzetta from the College

Association.

D. **REPORT OF COLLEGE ASSOCIATION** (Vinnie Cazzetta)

Vinnie Cazzetta: So, with the College Association, I have a few things to report on. These are information items I shared with the Board in my monthly report that I sent last week. With respect to the Lab School, the income statement for the month of April, the first full month under COVID-19 did not end up as bad as originally projected and that is mainly because of some grant funding we received did not have the same corresponding expenses.

- (2) Bookstore operations Follett continues to operate a bookstore, mostly remotely. There is a skeleton staff working on site and they are observing social distancing protocols. COVID-19 has not impacted Follett's continued commitment to faculty, staff and students.
- (3) With respect to food and beverage services, I am working with Pepsi on a final income statement for FY 2019-20.
- (4) The June Board of Directors meeting will take place. Chair of the Board, Roger Pikul has wanted to have a June meeting. It will take place on June the 10th and that will be handled in a Zoom format, similar to this meeting.

And finally, we are working on our 2020-21 budget. The budget

committee will convene via Zoom technology a little later this month and present to the full Board at their June Board meeting. And that concludes

my report for tonight.

Chair Watson: Trustees? Questions? If not, we will move forward. Next on the Agenda is

the Foundation, Dawn Ansbro.

E. REPORT OF THE FOUNDATION BOARD (Dawn Ansbro)

Dawn Ansbro:

Good evening, everyone. Thanks for having me. Just a few quick things. I know Kris alluded to the SUNY match for our Student Emergency Fund earlier in her report, so I just wanted to elaborate on that a little bit. So SUNY has a donor who has gifted the system with Student Emergency Fund match at \$50,000 per campus and that match is for any gifts we receive between April 15th and July 1st so we are probably around the \$20,000 – a little over \$20,000 in already and that includes a \$5,000 grant that we received from the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan County that is matchable and also our relationship with the United Way and the money that they have been giving us - reimbursing us for Student Emergency Fund is also matchable. So that, in addition to the generous gifts that we have received over the past several weeks all matching donations. So, if anyone has not yet made a gift to the Student Emergency Fund and if this is something that resonates with you, certainly we wrote out almost \$35,000 in checks for the month of April and into May so just that number alone speaks to the need that is out there and the number of students that we have been able to help. Anything that you are able to do, we can match that – so I am just putting that out there and you can make those gifts if you are interested, we are still picking up checks so if you wanted to put something in the mail but you can just as easily do that on our website www.sunyorangefoundation.org and just select Student Emergency Fund as the designation and that money will go right in there. So, that is good news, I think, for all of us and a great opportunity. I wanted to speak a little bit about Hudson Valley Gives which is coming up on May 20th – and you guys, you have been through this drill before, it is the Regional Day of Giving that is organized by the Community Foundation. Last year, I think, we raised about \$23,000. This year we are looking to do about the same, hopefully a little bit more, especially it's a strange time for fundraising right now so what some of my colleagues have said and I have sort of taken up the beat on this a little bit of this on myself, it is really about giving people the opportunity to give if they have the means and the interest to do so. So, less of an ask, and more of a here is an opportunity. So, we will be approaching Hudson Valley Gives in that manner and certainly talking to all of our existing donors and anybody who has given before. I know there was a preliminary email that went out today just sort of a "hey, coming up next week" we will be reaching out to people directly over the next couple of days to encourage them but if any of you are active on social media or have the time to be a peer fund raiser it is helpful and, in fact, the statistics show that the more peer-to-peer fundraisers you have the more successful your campaign will be because it allows you to access new and different donors, so, even if that is not for you, but you are available that day to help us share our message on social media with your own social media platforms that is all very helpful in spreading the word and creating those additional donor touchpoints. So I

would encourage you to do that and, of course, if anyone has any questions or needs some help about what that would look like, you all know where to reach me and I would be happy to walk you through that. I did want to mention that obviously, I can't remember, we did talk about it last month, we did cancel the golf outing, I think last month we were thinking that we would postpone it until October, we have decided to cancel it all altogether given the situation and all of the things that everybody is going through. The good news is, as you probably, know, that we raise money for athletic scholarships at our golf outing, but I have reached out to Tom Riccard who is also not having his golf outing this year for the same reasons and he has agreed to work with me through our combined contacts to try and raise the money for the athletic scholarships. So, I feel very good about that. I don't know what athletics will look like next Fall, but I feel confident that we will be able to raise the money that's needed should there be a need for those athletic scholarships in the Fall. So, I thank Tom Riccard for doing that and helping us out for that. And the last thing I just want to mention is we, the Foundation, established in collaboration with the rest of the college, a kudo board for our 2020 graduates, it's just a site at this point, where people can upload pictures and messages and words of encouragement, words of advice for our graduating class. Given that their commencement is very nontraditional this year, we thought that it would be a nice thing and that our goal this year is to take all of those messages and create a printed piece that we can mail out to our graduates sometime in June and Steve Hedderton is working with us on the layout and design of that printed piece. So I will send the link to Kris or to Carol and she can share it with all of you and I would encourage all of you if you have an opportunity to upload a message of encouragement to our graduates, that would be a very nice thing and we would enjoy having all of you on the Board in that printed piece. And that is, oh just a quick note on scholarships, I know Paul mentioned that before, that I had to write myself a quick little note because it wasn't on my original list, but we certainly are happy to work with the Scholarship Committee always to award scholarships. The deadline was May 1^{st.} The Foundation Scholarship Committee is actually helping this year a little bit more than it has in the past, in reviewing all entering scholarship applications both during this phase this January through May application phase and the Summer phase. Last year we just did Summer to take that off the plate but given everything that is on the plates of all of our college friends, we offered to do this and they took us up on the opportunity, so we are happy to do that, and to help determine the entering scholarships for this year and this year alone, I understand, because of the circumstances but we are happy to help and that was our goal all along to just take something off of their plate. So that is my report. If anyone has any questions?

Chair Watson: Dawn, we thank you for your report.

Dawn Ansbro: Thank you so much everybody.

Chair Watson: And for all of your efforts. Of course, I am crestfallen that we are not

going to have the golf tournament – it is always a highlight of the year.

But thank you for your efforts.

Dawn Ansbro: Always a fun time. Next year, for sure.

Trustee Vacca: Thank you, Dawn.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Watson: Alright, next on the agenda still under Reports, we had scheduled for a

Special Report in regard to our 2020-21 Budget. We heard all of Dr. Young's comments about advocacy and the issues we are having in the state of NY regarding funding of our community colleges and at this time we just had an Audit & Finance Committee meeting, and at that meeting, we determined that we, the committee believe it best to postpone voting on our 2020-21 Budget until our next meeting which would allow us to have more time to see if the feds are going to send more money to the State of NY which would change our budget significantly. Our budget now, we have gotten very close, but the committee has decided that it would be best to wait to see what the final outcome of the State's financial position is going to be. Now we, in our next session, we have listed as our first item on the agenda as a motion to approve the 2021 Budget, so

because that is on the agenda, I am going to ask the Trustees for a motion to table that motion until our June 3rd meeting. Someone said So Moved,

was that Bill?

Trustee Vacca: Yes, it was.

Chair Watson: Was there a second?

Trustee Weddell: I'll second it, Tom Weddell.

Chair Watson: Then moved and properly seconded that we move our motion to approve

the 2021 Budget to our June 3rd meeting. Are there any questions on the

motion?

Trustee Weddell: Well, I think there should be some discussion, Fred, on the amount of time

and effort that we have put into preparing a budget to get it to this point within the last three weeks there has been quite a bit of an issue with NYS

and how much they are really going to further cut their budget that

dramatically affects us and it really makes it very difficult for us to really hone in on the exact numbers that we need to have, even if we go to the County for a presentation, so I think that the appropriate thing would be, is to table this and to wait until we have further guidance on where do we go from here and hopefully by June 3rd we have a lot more information from the State and the Federal government as to what kind of assistance we may

be getting or may not be getting. We may have to rework the whole budget as it is right now. We put in a lot of time and effort to get the

budget to where it is right now and I really want to thank Linda and Agnes

for their help in doing that and our committee for doing a lot of work in getting that so I think it is appropriate that that is mentioned and that at least we did do our homework and everything we had to do but in the last couple of weeks we got thrown not even a curveball I think it was an outside slider, that we have to try and figure out what to do with our budget.

Chair Watson:

Thank you for those comments, Tom. Would any of the other Trustees like

to weigh in on this budget discussion?

So, before we move on, we are going to ask the committee, the Audit & Finance Committee who are prepared to have further workshops as we get additional information we will contacting them to join us on future Zoom calls so that we can finalize the budget during our June 3rd meeting. Alright, no further comments, let's call for a vote. Secretary Murray,

please.

Carol Murray: Chair Watson?

Chair Watson: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Murphy?

Trustee Murphy: Yes, Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hunter?

Trustee Hunter: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hannes?

Trustee Hannes: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Martucci?

Trustee Martucci: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Weddell?

Trustee Weddell: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Vacca?

Trustee Vacca: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Patterson?

Dana Salkowsky: She hasn't acknowledged, sorry Carol.

Carol Murray: No, that's alright.

Chair Watson: Next on the agenda, we thank the Trustees for that action. Next on the

agenda is a motion to approve the Strategic Plan for 2021 through 2025.

The Chair will entertain a motion.

Trustee Martucci: I'll move that motion, this is Ralph.

Trustee Weddell: I'll second it, Tom Weddell.

Chair Watson: Been moved by Trustee Martucci, seconded by Trustee Weddell. Are there

any comments on this Strategic Plan? Questions? I would like to enter into the record that we thank all of those individuals who had volunteered their time in working on this Strategic Plan and we are looking forward to it being a huge asset for the community college and we are grateful. Special thank you to Co-Chairs Damon Ely and Likkia Moody. We believe they have done a tremendous job and we are looking forward to putting their plan into effect. Over the summer months, the Trustees have agreed that we will get to work on the Implementation Plan, and we will be presenting

that as soon as possible. So, with no further ado, Secretary Murray can you call for the roll call on the vote?

Carol Murray: Chair Watson?

Chair Watson: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Murphy?

Trustee Murphy: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hunter?

Trustee Hunter: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hannes?

Trustee Hannes: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Martucci?

Trustee Martucci: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Weddell?

Trustee Weddell: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Vacca?

Trustee Vacca: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Patterson?

Trustee Patterson: Yay.

Carol Murray: Oh, yay!! Aaliaya, thank you. I unmuted that phone number I thought that

might have been her. Okay, great. You have eight in favor.

Chair Watson: Thank you. Welcome Aaliaya. We will have your report once we finish

with the New Business section, because we want you to definitely have an

opportunity to say some things to the Trustees at this meeting.

Trustee Patterson: Okay.

Chair Watson: Next, number three under New Business "Motion to Approve Board

Meeting Dates for AY 2020-2021." Since this is not as important of an issue, we have reviewed the dates and they look all in order. The Chair

will entertain a motion for approval.

Trustee Hunter: So, moved. Trustee Hannes: Seconded.

Chair Watson: And seconded. We will just ask for a verbal vote on this. All those in favor

of the motion?

Chorus: Aye.

Chair Watson: Any opposed? Motion carried.

Next motion on the agenda and Aaliaya you are here just in time. I am

going to read a Resolution which reads as follows:

Orange County Community College

Board of Trustees

Resolution Acknowledging Student Trustee Aaliaya Patterson's

Dedicated and Exemplary Service

WHEREAS, the Orange County Community College Board of Trustees recognizes the dedication and exemplary contribution that Aaliaya Patterson has provided to the college as Student Trustee from September

of 2019 through June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Aaliaya has distinguished herself as the College Student Trustee through her service to the Board, her community advocacy, her continued involvement as a student leader, and her commitment to enhance the Orange County Community College experience for all, now

THEREFORE, be it Resolved, that the Orange County Community College Board of Trustees hereby recognizes Student Trustee Aaliaya Patterson for her year of dedication and exemplary service to the Board as well as her dutiful commitment to the Orange County Community College and her fellow students.

That said, I will entertain a motion for the approval of the Resolution.

Trustee Hunter: So moved. Trustee Vacca: Seconded.

Chair Watson: Trustee Hunter and seconded by Trustee Vacca. Once again, we will use a

verbal vote on this. All in favor?

Chorus: Aye.

Chair Watson: Anyone opposed? Motion carries. Resolution is approved. Thank you

Aaliaya. As a matter of fact, this concludes our section on New Business so we will move back to the Report Section so that you can address the

Trustees as our Student Trustee.

Trustee Patterson: I would like to first start off by saying thank you for the opportunity. From

my understanding not a lot of college boards allow the students have a voice and as far as my report goes, some students are finding it difficult to adjust to classes online considering they didn't sign up for it and

everything that is going on and some professors aren't being as lenient with their attendance policy, they expect all students to be there because it is online, however, a lot of students have technical difficulties as you can see I had one just trying to get into the meeting today. But for the most part, students are just trying to look forward and get information about how to move forward, so the Student Senate has been trying to keep students as informed as possible and the Board of Activities has been doing different events via some platforms online to keep student morale up. That's pretty much my report. And I want to thank, I mean, I want to congratulate Stanley for becoming the new Student Trustee for next

semester or next year, I should say, and I just want to say thank you for the $\,$

opportunity.

Chair Watson: Thank you, Aaliaya. I just want to say, Aaliaya was quite an engaged

Student Trustee. She attended the Annual Meeting along with other Trustees of the NY Community College Trustee Association and she was one of several Student Trustees who attended those meetings and she had a very strong voice at those meetings, as well. She has been engaged, she has continued to bring valuable insight from the students to the Board of

Trustees and for that we are grateful. We thank you very much, Aaliaya,

and we wish you well.

Okay, next. We are moving into our ...

Trustee Patterson: Thank you.

Chair Watson: You're welcome, Aaliaya. We are moving into our Old Business Section.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Chair Watson: First up, any report from Tom Weddell on the Enrollment Task Force. Trustee Weddell: Well, we really haven't met. We've been meeting pretty much weekly

with the Board as regarding the COVID-19 situation here so we have been trying to think of ways but because we can't really get together with the schools and stuff it has really been a very difficult committee to get together, although, Gerianne is supposed to be helping me get a Zoom

meeting together with some of the schools, to see what we can do, because we are behind in the registrations for this coming Fall. I think it is

important that we try to get something going here.

Chair Watson: We thank you for that report. Next on the agenda are the Chairman's

Comments.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chair Watson: First, I would like to say welcome, as well. We are looking forward to

having Mr. Jacques Stanley as the Student Trustee. We value our Student Trustees here and just to let him know he will have a vote equal to any of the other Trustees on the Board and we look forward to his engagement, his comments, his interactions with his fellow students, and his feedback that he will bring back to the Board of Trustees as we continue to provide direction to this community college. We are looking forward to meeting you Jacques. I haven't been able to squirrel through and see your picture,

but I've been trying.

Okay, next. We would like to compliment Dr. Young on her appointment to the Governor's Re-Opening of New York Committee. She is one of, I believe, one hundred representatives that he has selected, and we are very excited that she will represent Orange County Community College and that she will represent the region, as well. The Record had an article not too long ago but I just wanted to publicly go on record that we are grateful to our President and look forward to her representation on that Re-

Opening committee and from my understanding she should be in meetings

very soon, am I correct, Dr. Young?

President Young: We met yesterday for the first time, thank you.

Chair Watson: Okay, we will look forward to hearing about how that is coming along.

Next, once again, I would like to thank the entire college community for its advocacy efforts. Dr. Young, of course, has led our efforts with our

legislative representatives but as she said earlier, it made her job a lot easier to communicate after their focus had been heightened by our college community. For that, we are extremely grateful, and we ask that you would continue those efforts as you move around the community. Next, I, too, would like to encourage the Trustees to put up a message to our graduates, they will be moving on and in this COVID-19 situation, let's do the best we can and make them feel special.

Next, I received a weekly update from ACCT which is the Association of Community College Trustees and this weekly update came out on the 7th and in it there was a survey taken by the non-profit organization Junior Achievement of the USA and the Citizens Financial Group and I thought it was interesting that the survey revealed that 30% of high school students are delaying their college start date while 13% plan to change their original chosen institution due to the Corona pandemic. So, we have been hearing all night that this is a different time for college enrollment but I do see it as an opportunity and I want us to continue to get the word out that community college is there to serve these students who may have to change their original plans. If anyone is interested in the survey that was done by Junior Achievement, I can get this survey available to Secretary Murray so that you can read it in its entirety.

Trustee Weddell: I'd like to see that.

Chair Watson: Ok, I'll make sure I have that sent around. I think that pretty much

concludes the comments that I wanted to make this evening. Next, we will move onto our Committee Reports. I am not sure if we have a lot of

Committee Reports tonight but I will go through the listing.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Watson: Sister Peggy Murphy, Academic and Student Services? Do you have a

report?

Trustee Murphy: Thank you Chairman. No, but, obviously, we have heard from VP Brusati

and VP Hackman on their sterling efforts and comprehensive

compassionate care for our students, so normally, we would have been meeting, but I am very grateful to them for their ongoing perseverance.

Chair Watson: Okay, we thank you for all of your efforts with Academic and Student

Services Committee.

Trustee Murphy: Thank you, you're welcome.

Chair Watson: Next, Audit and Finance, Trustee Weddell.

Trustee Weddell: Well, again we have been meeting quite regularly now to get the Budget

balanced, but we had accomplished that but now we have to go back to the

drawing board so we have been working on that. We have been meeting actually quite regularly to debate what to do with our budget.

So, we have been active and ready to do that and we are getting ready. I guess June 15th the auditors come in to audit the budget for the County so we will be set for that after our June 3rd meeting and I hope we will have something, well we have to have something to give to the auditors so we can move forward with that. So, that's really all I have to report. There is really not much more somehow we have to pull a rabbit out of a hat to make this work. So, we'll figure out something.

Chair Watson: I would just like to add that in terms of our current operation, it looks like

we are on track for this academic year to basically breakeven which is

very close to where we budgeted.

Alright, Mr. Hunter? Governance and Nominating, any report?

No report at this time, Fred, thank you. Trustee Hunter: Chair Watson: Is your committee established and moving?

Trustee Hunter: That is correct.

Chair Watson: Okay, we will have your report in a couple of weeks. Okay, and if there

> are no other reports, let's move to the Comments from the Public section of the meeting. I believe we have Michelle Tubbs that has made a reservation to speak to the Trustees to give an update on the Faculty

Council.

VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dana Salkowsky: She has Mr. Watson, there she is.

Okay, hello Michelle. Chair Watson:

Michelle Tubbs: Hi Chair Watson, how are you?

Chair Watson: Well.

Michelle Tubbs: Good, good and good evening to the rest of the Trustees. as well. I hope

you are all remaining healthy and safe. I have just a brief report tonight to speak about in line with many messages that have been shared tonight regarding community college funding and our advocacy efforts regarding local and state level efforts. I have kept in close contact with Dr. Young over the last couple of weeks and just to confirm we both did receive kind of consistent and similar information from our different constituency groups which we have been for the most part, and sometimes I will share something with her that she wasn't aware of or hadn't had a chance to see yet and she returns the favor to me, as well. So, we definitely have been comparing notes and working collaboratively.

And then, unfortunately, the inequities of funding for community colleges vs. four-year institutions just seems to continue, kinda started on April 1st with the originally inactive NYS budget that grossly underfunded our community colleges in comparison to our state ops and that became even more present when the budget director recently proposed that initially perceived 30-50% cut for us given the group that we are in in comparison

to the state ops that were looking at a 10% cut as opposed to 30-50%. And we are also learning most recently that this was also present in the CARES Act that came out from the federal level that community colleges compared to 4-year institutions definitely received less funding in comparison to the number of students that they enroll at their institutions. So we just continue to struggle to understand why community colleges seem to be consistently underfunded compared to 4-year institutions despite the fact that we seem to enroll a larger percent of students in higher ed and often have more of a direct impact on the local communities that we reside in. I just want to confirm that our advocacy efforts, or that the advocacy efforts at the SUNY level, have been consistent and in line with our local efforts here. They have been strong and they have been timely and they really have been delivering a similar message that we have and I have to say I think that SUNY Orange was even out in front of the advocacy efforts that were started at the SUNY level – we really hit the ground running, very early, and as Dr. Young mentioned, I think that that did have a big impact. So that is what I have to share tonight, unless there are any questions from the Board.

Trustee Vacca: Michelle, this is Bill Vacca. Have we ever been able to reach anyone to

give us any kind of rationale as to why the community colleges are less

funded than the 4-year?

Michelle Tubbs: No, and when you think of SUNY and their perspective, they are a system

of 64 colleges, so 34 state ops and 30 community colleges. So, the FCCC is really focused on the 30 community colleges, so we really look more closely at what the community colleges are receiving in comparison to everyone else, and I have to honestly say, no. No one has been able to really provide an explanation or a rationale why we seem to be

continuously underfunded and not funded with equity compared to our

state ops.

Trustee Vacca: But that question has been posed to a group and nobody can answer?

Michelle Tubbs: We just can't get answers. No.

Trustee Vacca: Thank you.

Chair Watson: Trustees? Any other questions? Okay, Michelle we thank you for that

update.

Michelle Tubbs: Thank you for the opportunity.

Chair Watson: You're welcome. Okay, next we are going to go back to Trustee Vacca

and the Policy Committee. Have you met?

Trustee Vacca: Fred, we didn't in light of everything that has been going on for the past

month or so – we just kind of took a break and hopefully we will meet

next month.

Chair Watson: Okay, thank you very much. One more thing I would like to add under the

Chairman's Comments, I did have an opportunity to speak with NYCCT Donna Mihalik, who is our current chair, and we had a rather lengthy discussion about things that are happening at our statewide organization. A number of times consolidation came up in discussions. Consolidation

came from two standpoints – one standpoint is that there have been discussions with NYCAP the Presidents Group and NYCCT about some form of consolidation of efforts and maybe a joining of two organizations. Of course, there are some difficulties with that because each organization has its own separate set of Bylaws and each organization has its own Foundation, as well. So, there is some difficulty when trying to put those two organizations together. But her comments to me are that discussions are currently taking place. The second part of the consolidation discussion was that NYCCT is hearing rumblings that the Governor may have some interest in the consolidation of community colleges throughout the state. Her comment to me was that the Governor was well aware of the consolidations that are taking place in the state of Connecticut and he has mentioned that in discussions several times. Her final comments in regards to consolidation, and I think I heard this from one of our Trustees, is that the train is moving so possibly we should get out in front of the train and maybe have some discussions amongst our Trustee group and potentially maybe some other Trustees in the region. It is a difficult discussion to have. We have several community colleges throughout the state that represent a larger area and that have two sponsors that work together under one community college umbrella. I don't know where all of this discussion is leading but I do agree with Donna Mihalik that possibly we should start to have some discussions in that regard. There will be a meeting of community colleges, NYCCT, where they have invited chairs or representatives from all of the community colleges to sit in – that meeting is going to take place in a Zoom format on the 30th of this month. It will be about 4 hours in the afternoon. My plan is that I have already RSVP'd to represent this Board at that meeting.

That concludes the Comments and the results of the discussions, and, she, too, talked extensively about our financial position and the need for advocacy which we are well out in front of.

Next, Board Discussion. Trustees? Is there anything that you would like to bring to the floor? If so, please proceed.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Watson:

Alright. Tonight, we have plans to enter Executive Session, and for my understanding, I will let Dana explain this – if I leave anything out. We are going to go, the Trustees, to a breakout room to have a discussion on a number of items that under the Public Meeting Law allows us to have private discussion. There are three areas that we are going to discuss tonight. We are going to have discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigations. Number Two, collective negotiation pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law and the third area is the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion,

discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. So, I do believe, Dr. Young? Do we need a motion to go into **Executive Session?**

President Young: I'll talk about the legal way to go into Executive Session and then ask Dana for the technical way, so thank you Chair Watson, those are the three areas, that I advised you that we need to discuss this evening so, yes, we will need a motion and a second and then I would advise Secretary Murray to get a roll call to go into Executive Session, and then Board Secretary Tom Hunter should note the time. And Dana will explain the breakout room. Especially because of our Zoom technology and the use of the breakout room, and what will happen is that we will emerge from the breakout room – you will have a full discussion, you will have all the time you will need but you will emerge from the breakout room and come back out into this space we are in right now, so the regular meeting resumes and you as Chair will adjourn the full meeting. And that is done because if there is an action that the Board wishes to take after having the appropriate discussion at Executive Session, if there is a public action to be taken you have to have that vote in public session now. I don't want to say too much, I don't anticipate that happening tonight, but should you, have to take a vote, that has to be done openly. That is why the public meeting will be left open, Dana is prepared to put up a slide, if there are any members of the public who want to stay in this room and observe and watch that slide and wait for you to come back out, they will be there and wait for you to come back out but you will all have to come back out into this public room. Gavel back in even if it is just to say we now vote to adjourn. So, please be aware that that is going to have to be our procedure and I think Dana will now technically let you know how to do that. And I believe, that for purposes of the conversations we are having, I have alerted the three Vice Presidents to come into the meeting and also Iris Martinez-Davis to come into the session and you can dismiss them if you do not want them there but just for technical purposes they are all permitted to enter the space and you can exit them if you do not want them there, along with myself.

Chair Watson: Okay, before Dana starts, the Chair will entertain a motion to move to

Executive Session to discuss the items that I read to you prior.

Trustee Martucci: So moved. Trustee Vacca: Second.

Chair Watson: Moved by Trustee Martucci and seconded by Trustee Vacca to move into

Executive Session. We are going to just take a verbal vote this time

around. All in favor?

Chorus: Aye. Chair Watson: Opposed?

Alright. Dana? Are you there?

Dana Salkowsky: I am here, Mr. Watson, and we are ready to go. Dr. Young, your Vice

Presidents and Ms. Martinez-Davis have all videos on and unmuted, so they can participate appropriately. The Board, as well as the Vice

Presidents and Iris have been assigned to a breakout room. I will open that breakout room. You will leave this main meeting room and go to that breakout room. It is private. You may return, any one of you may individually return to the main meeting room, you will see a button that says Return to Main Room or Meeting, you can return at any time, you can have as much time as you like or need in the breakout room, and once someone returns and lets me know the Executive Session is over, I can close the room and everyone will be brought back to the main meeting

room.

President Young: Thank you, Dana. Dana Salkowsky: You're very welcome.

Thank you, Dana, well said, we are ready to go. Chair Watson:

Dana Salkowsky: You will see on your screen an "Invitation to Join the Breakout Room".

President Young: Ok, thank you for your help.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCLUDED

Chair Watson: Okay, Trustees, are we back in our meeting room?

We all are. Wow! Trustee Hannes:

Chair Watson: Alright, if there is no further business in front of this body, the Chair will

entertain a motion for adjournment and we would like to take a roll call vote to make sure there are enough Trustees to close us out of the meeting

properly. Secretary Murray, are you available?

Okay, thank you. Carol Murray:

Can I get someone to introduce a motion for adjournment and to have her Chair Watson:

call the roll?

Trustee Martucci: So moved. Trustee Hannes: Seconded.

It has been moved by Trustee Martucci and seconded by Trustee Hannes. Chair Watson:

Give the roll call.

Okay. Chair Watson? Carol Murray:

Chair Watson: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Murphy?

Dana Salkowsky: Carol, I can see her, and she is unmuted but for some reason her audio has

gone out, I'm not sure why, but she is unmuted and she is confirming with

a peace sign.

Trustee Hunter? Carol Murray:

Trustee Hunter: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Hannes?

Trustee Hannes: Yav.

Trustee Martucci? Carol Murray:

Trustee Martucci: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Weddell? Trustee Weddell: Yay.

Carol Murray: Trustee Vacca?

Trustee Vacca: Yes.

Carol Murray: Trustee Patterson?

Dana Salkowsky: Carol, I am looking for her, but I don't see the phone number anymore, so

I'm not sure if she came back from the breakout room.

Chair Watson: If we still have a quorum, that said, it has been so moved and seconded

that this meeting is hereby adjourned. I want to thank the Trustees for their

participation, and we will be in touch with you very shortly.

Chorus: Good night, everyone.

Note: Executive Session began at 6:30 PM and ended at 7:50 PM

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