

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 6, 2021

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees held a special meeting on October 6, 2021 via hybrid in-person and Zoom modalities in response to COVID-19 health and safety restrictions. The meeting and agenda were posted on the public facing website on Wednesday, September 29, 2021. Board Chair Webster called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with the following board members present Shawn Coates, Dr. John Roache, Christy Lombardi, Cordelia Postell, Sonja Cox, Jose Gonzalez, Kenneth Abell, and President Murphy. Samuel Jones was absent.

Approval of Agenda of October 6, 2021

Dr. Roache made a motion to approve the agenda of October 6, 2021. Trustee Cox seconded the motion. All were in favor.

COVID-19 Protocols and Procedures

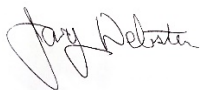
Discussion: An in-depth discussion took place regarding the need to potentially institute a vaccine requirement for students, staff, and faculty to ensure a safe environment exists to increase on-campus activities for students, staff, and faculty. Board members indicated a desire for a college environment that is in the best interest of the majority. They acknowledged that additional research and recommendations are necessary for process and protocols to be created that are well informed and thoughtful.

Approval of a COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement

Trustee Cox made a motion that students, staff, and faculty be vaccinated on or before January 18, 2021 with the inclusion of a narrative to be presented to the board at the October 21, 2021 scheduled Board of Trustees meeting. Dr. Roache seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 6 – 2 votes.

Trustee Postell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Abell seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jay Webster, Board Chair



Maureen Murphy, President