

**Minutes of the Legislative Affairs Committee
State Board of Community Colleges
August 20, 2015**

Members Attending: Chair Wesley Fricks, Vice Chair Jim Rose (via telephone), Dr. Breeden Blackwell, Ms. Lisa Estep, Mr. Todd Johnson, Dr. Sam Powell, Mr. Lynn Raye, Dr. Darrell Saunders, Mr. Scott Shook, Mr. Clark Twiddy, and Mr. Jerry Vaughan

Others Attending: System President Dr. Scott Ralls, Executive Vice President Jennifer Haygood, General Counsel Q. Shante' Martin, Mr. George Fouts, Ms. Linda Weiner, Ms. Chreatha Alston, Executive Director of the State Board Bryan W. Jenkins, Dr. Donny Hunter, Ms. Lyn Austin, and Ms. Linda Suggs

Following proper public notification and determination of a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Wesley Fricks, Chair, at 3:52 p.m. in the AW Conference Room in the Caswell Building. The Chair reminded members of their obligations as public servants under the State Ethics in Government Act to conduct themselves in such a way as to refrain from any action that could create, or potentially create, a conflict of interest. Mr. Fricks asked whether any member perceived a conflict or potential conflict of interest with respect to any matter coming before the Committee. None were noted.

The agenda, following a motion by Dr. Blackwell and a second by Ms. Estep, was approved via voice vote.

Mr. Fricks provided an overview of the committee and discussed plans for the membership.

Mr. Fricks asked Ms. Mary Shuping to provide a legislative and budget update. Ms. Shuping discussed a few key items of interest; driver's education, the budget, consolidation of information technology, and the bond package. Mr. Fricks mentioned the need to develop strong relationships with the members General Assembly. Mr. Shook reiterated his point and added the need to be strategic in planning and thinking. Dr. Blackwell mentioned a few items worthy of consideration by the Committee including having an Advocacy Day and an Employer Day. Mr. Fricks instructed staff to begin developing a Relationship Matrix to aid Committee members.

There being no other business, the Committee adjourned at 4:15 p.m. following a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryan W. Jenkins
Recording Secretary