



**THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF VALENCIA COLLEGE
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes

March 13, 2025

Valencia College – Osceola Campus
Building 1, Room 123
and
Zoom Meeting

Members Present

Trustee Michael Sasso, Chair
Trustee John Davis, Vice Chair (via Zoom)
Trustee Blair Bradley
Trustee Shawn Hindle
Trustee Belinda Kirkegard
Trustee John Martinez
Trustee Tracey Stockwell

Dr. Kathleen Plinske, Secretary of the Board and President of the College

Call to Order

Chair Sasso called the Regular Meeting of the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College to order at 9:40 a.m. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes,
February 6, 2025
Regular Meeting**

Trustee Kirkegard moved to approve the meeting minutes of the February 6, 2025 Regular Meeting, as presented. Trustee Martinez seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

President's Report

Dr. Plinske provided a summary of the College's Strategic Facilities Plan, which was distributed to the Board.

Dr. Plinske stated that last month she had the opportunity to appear before and present to the Florida House of Representatives' Administration

Subcommittee. At this meeting, Florida College System Chancellor Kathy Hebda was invited to present on the funding formula for the Florida College System. Dr. Plinske had the opportunity to sign in as a public speaker at Chancellor Hebda's invitation, to provide support for the Chancellor's comments regarding the system's (and Valencia's) preferred approach to FCS funding before the members of the Subcommittee.

Dr. Roberta Carew, Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Planning, provided an update on the progress of the College's discussion regarding the mission, vision, and values. The report was distributed to the Board. A full discussion ensued.

Dr. Plinske stated that final revised statements will be presented to the Board for approval in Summer 2025.

Faculty Association Report

Mr. Chris Borglum, President, Faculty Association, provided a spring update related to the College's course learning outcomes. Mr. Borglum shared that Valencia College finished third in the Brain Bowl National Championship competition.

Student Government Association Report

Ms. Aliza Jessani, Collegewide SGA President, presented the report, which was distributed to the Board. The report summarized the SGA trip to Tallahassee, current event highlights, and information related to the SGA 2025-2026 elections.

The Board thanked the SGA team for their passion and commitment.

Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

New Business

- 1. Affordability Report Resolution:** Dr. Plinske presented the report, which was distributed to the Board. The report included a draft Resolution detailing several notable accomplishments and achievements realized by the College for the benefit of Valencia's students in maintaining a focus on affordability issues and affirming the Board's commitment to College Policy 6Hx28: Educational Affordability.

Following a discussion, Trustee Bradley moved to accept the Affordability Report, and approve the Educational Affordability Resolution, as presented. Trustee Martinez seconded the seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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- 2. 2025-2026 Board Meeting Schedule:** The report was distributed to the Board. Following discussion, Trustee Stockwell moved to approve the proposed schedule for the 2025-2026 Board meetings, as presented.

Trustee Hindle seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Stockwell and seconded by Trustee Hindle to consider, accept, and approve items 3, 4, 5, and 6 under New Business in the manner of a consent agenda. The Board unanimously approved the following items under New Business in the consent agenda, as recommended:

- 3. Award of CA 2025-15, Chiller Refurbishment Osceola Campus**
- 4. Policy Adoptions**
 - *Amend Policy 6Hx28: 7A-01 – Information Security*
 - *Amend Policy 6Hx28: 10-02 – Trespass Warning/Arrest*
 - *Amend Policy 6Hx28: 10-07 – Parking and Vehicle Traffic*
 - *Amend Policy 6Hx28: 10-07.2 – Micromobility and Non-Motorized Vehicles on Campus*
- 5. Additions, Deletions, or Modifications of Courses and Programs**
- 6. Property Deletion**

Reports

Chair Sasso stated that the following report items are detailed in the written materials, which have been distributed to the Board:

- A. Financial Report**
- B. Valencia College Foundation Report**

Strategic Discussion

Dr. Plinske presented a progress report on the College's 2030 Strategic Impact Plan with respect to College Transfer Success. The written report was distributed to the Board. The presentation included a review of the 2030 Strategic Impact Plan Goal areas, college transfer success goal, a baseline visualization, leading indicators, Central Florida transfer scholars program goal areas and strategies, a summary of the impact of the DirectConnect to UCF pathway, and cumulative data of Valencia baccalaureate degrees awarded during academic years 2012-2025. A full discussion by the Board followed the presentation.

Dr. Plinske recognized the contributions of the Central Florida Education Ecosystem Database project (CFEED), and Dr. Wendy Givoglu, Provost, Downtown and Winter Park Campuses, to this work.

Board Comments

Trustee Martinez encouraged the Board to be ambassadors on behalf of the College, and in support of fund-raising.

The Board commended Valencia's leadership, faculty, and staff, for their work.

Adjourn

Chair Sasso adjourned the Regular Meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Secretary

Chair