

**PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS SPECIAL MEETING**

August 17, 2021

3:00 PM

MINUTES

Notice of Meeting and Attendance

A special meeting of the Pierpont Community & Technical College (Pierpont) Board of Governors was held on August 17, 2021, beginning at 3:00 PM. This meeting was conducted via video conference on Zoom and the meeting link was published on the West Virginia Secretary of State's Meetings Notice webpage.

I. Call to Order – Open Session

1. Opening Comment

Brian Bozarth, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order in open session at 3:02 PM.

Board members present:

Via videoconference: Brian S. Bozarth, Thomas F. Cole, David L. Hinkle, Anthony Hinton, Lisa Q. Lang, Jeffery H. Powell, Rick Pruitte, Anna Romano, and Jillian Sole

Board Members Absent:

Larry J. Puccio, Jr., and Natalie Stone. The internal Student Government Representative position is vacant.

President's Cabinet Members Present:

Via videoconference: Cyndee Sensibaugh, BOG Executive Assistant

2. Call for Public Comment

Mr. Brian Bozarth, Acting Chair, asked if there were any requests for public sign up of comments to the Board. None recorded.

II. Discussion on the Nominations and Election of the Pierpont Board of Governors Executive Officers

*In accordance with West Virginia Legislature House Bill 3215 §189B-2A-1. Findings; composition of boards; terms and qualifications of members; vacancies; eligibility for reappointment. **Except in the case of a vacancy**, all elections are held, and all appointments are made no later than June 30, preceding the commencement of the term.*

Each board of governors shall elect one of its appointed lay members to be chairperson in June of each year. A member may not serve as chairperson for more than four consecutive years.

On June 29, 2021, Governor Jim Justice appointed five new members to the Pierpont Board of Governors and reappointed one member.

- Brian S. Bozarth was reappointed until June 30, 2022 (Secretary)
- Thomas F. Cole succeeds Warren VanAlsbury. His term ends on June 30, 2022.
- Lisa Q. Lang succeeds Lewis Eugene Weaver. Her term ends on June 30, 2024.
- Hon. David L. Hinkle succeeds Holly C. Kauffman. His term ends on June 30, 2024.
- Anthony Hinton succeeds Thomas J. Barlow (Chair). His term ends on June 30, 2022.
- Jeffery H. Powell succeeds Sharon J. Shaffer. His term ends on June 30, 2024.

Pierpont Community & Technical College also provides representatives to the Board.

- The Classified Staff Representative is Jillian Sole
- The Faculty Senate Representative is Anna Romano
- The Student Government Representative position is currently vacant

The new appointments to the BOG have created vacancies in the BOG Executive Officers positions. Therefore, nominations and election of officers will be presented at the September 21, 2021 BOG meeting.

From August 6, 2021 to August 17, 2021, the Pierpont Community & Technical College Board of Governors members were petitioned to forward nominations for the vacant Pierpont Community & Technical College Board of Governors Executive Officers positions to the Nominating Committee. Nominations were received and discussed.

Nominations received were as follows:

- Chair: David L. Hinkle and Brian S. Bozarth
- Vice Chair: Lisa Q. Lang and Larry Puccio, Jr.
- Secretary: Brian S. Bozarth and Natalie Stone

Consideration of the nominees will be presented at the September 21, 2021, BOG meeting with an open request for any additional nominations, followed by the election of officers.

III. Executive Session – Closed Session

- A. Discussion on the Selection of the Presidential Search Committee
- B. Discussion on the Presidential Search Timeline

1. Entering Executive Session – Closed Session

At 3:21 PM Lisa Lang moved pursuant to 6-9A-4(b)2A of the WV Code that the Board shall go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and personnel matters, which if discussed in public might adversely affect the reputation of any person. Thomas Cole seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

2. Exiting Executive Session – Back to Open Session

At 4:07 PM, Lisa Lang motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session. Jillian Sole seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

3. Items brought forward from Executive Session

No items were brought forward from Executive Session.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business, Thomas F. Cole offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 PM. Jillian Sole seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Cyndee K. Sensibaugh

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Pierpont Vision Statement: Empowering individuals to transform their lives through education.

Pierpont Tagline: Education that Works.