

PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS RETREAT
December 2, 2011
8:30 AM – Robert H. Mollohan Building

MINUTES

The Pierpont Community & Technical College Board of Governors held a working retreat on December 2, 2011, beginning at 8:30 AM at the Robert H. Mollohan Building. Present at the meeting were Board of Governors members present were: Chairman James Griffin, Linda Aman, Dixie Copley, Beverly Jones, Earl McConnell, Rick Pruitte, Tom Stose, Jeff Tucker and Gene Weaver. Absent was: Barbara Hendrey.

President's Cabinet members present were: President Dr. Doreen Larson, Dale Bradley, Sarah Hensley, Quentin Johnson, Steven Leach, Leslie Lovett, Paul Schreffler, and Cyndee Sensibaugh.

Guests included: Carlos Martinez and James O'Malley of TMC Technologies, and Pierpont deans and faculty.

President's Overview

Dr. Larson gave a brief review of the retreat agenda and provided a handout of Pierpont Quick Facts for 2011-2012 to be used as an instant reference to Pierpont's vision, principle and goals, as well as for enrollment and program statistics.

Dr. Larson then encouraged the group to develop 'elevator speeches' for a warm up activity. These one to three minute speeches are designed to provide individuals with important information about Pierpont when time is limited to do so, as in an elevator.

IT Infrastructure Report

Carlos Martinez presented the findings of the Pierpont IT Infrastructure Report. Handouts were provided to the Board and Cabinet. After review of the report findings, discussion was held on the next steps for Pierpont.

Breakout Sessions

Board members were teamed with Cabinet members and divided into groups to discuss, with faculty, opinions and ideas for Pierpont's four strategic goals. Each group addressed one goal. The goals were: 1) Positioning Pierpont as a year-round, flexible, responsive college, 2) Strengthening Pierpont's engagement throughout our service area, 3) Committing Pierpont to a culture of completion, and 4) Completing a facility master plan. After the session, each group provided a summary to the full assembly.

Chairman Address

After the breakout sessions, Chairman James Griffin addressed the faculty and staff encouraging them to reach out to the remote portions of our service areas by taking the necessary steps to physically 'go to them'. In moving forward, he stated that we will look at institutional issues and how to grow and improve.

Capital Projects Report

Dale Bradley provided an updated Capital Projects Report and conducted a question and answer discussion on the Aerospace Center, MTEC expansion, Braxton County Center, and the Advanced Technology Center.

Cabinet members were excused after the Capital Projects Report.

Board and President Dialogue

Dr. Larson and the Board members participated in a question and answer dialogue.

Adjournment and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the retreat adjourned at 4:00 PM. The next scheduled Board of Governors meeting will be held on February 21st at 2:00 PM.