



Greenville Technical College Area Commission Special Called GTC Board Meeting

MINUTES

Thursday, October 10, 2024

Barton Campus, Administration Building 123, Executive Board Room

Members Present

Paul Batson
Tom Britt (Zoom)
Jo Hackl (Zoom)
Dean Jones
Ray Lattimore, Chair
Ray Martin
Coleman Shouse
David Stafford

Members Absent

Hunter Howard
Dr. Burke Royster
Keith Smith
Ken Southerlin

Staff Present

Julie Eddy
President Miller

Guests

Mr. Garvin Barker, State Tech Board
Dr. Marilyn Fore, President of Horry Georgetown Technical College
Dr. Barbara Jones, ACCT
Keith Munson, Rimom Law

Chair Lattimore called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m. and welcomed board members, staff, and guests. Chair Lattimore announced that the press had been notified of the meeting under the Freedom of Information Act. Chair Lattimore acknowledged that the agenda was posted on the GTC website, and a quorum of board members was present.

Chair Lattimore introduced the Presidential Search Committee and thanked them for their time over the last two days: Dr. Marilyn Fore, president of Horry Georgetown Technical College; Mr. Garvin Barker, SC Technical College Board; Dr. Barbara Jones, the executive search consultant with ACCT; Ms. Hackl, GTC board vice chair; Mr. Stafford, GTC board; Mr. Jones, GTC board; and Mr. Batson, GTC board.

Chair Lattimore asked Dr. Jones to share a brief overview of her background. Dr. Jones shared her healthcare and higher education background as a president at several community colleges before

retiring. Dr. Jones also provided an overview of the presidential search process to date. Three forums were held yesterday, October 9, 2024, for the campus community, the board, and the local community. The questions on the survey and the forums were the same.

- 1) What are the challenges and opportunities for the college in the next three to five years?
- 2) What skills and characteristics are desired for a president?
- 3) What are the minimum qualifications for a president?

Dr. Jones integrated the results and the ACCT's characteristics typical for a president into a draft presidential profile. The Presidential Search Committee met before the board meeting to review and fine-tune the draft to present for full board approval.

Dr. Jones stated there will be two more meetings of the search committee in February to narrow down the candidates to four or five that the board will consider and bring to campus. The search process will open with the approval of the presidential profile and will extend until January 14, 2025. Dr. Jones will be available throughout the process. The Presidential Profile will be widely posted by the ACCT in publications and sites, and postings will also be sent to presidents and vice presidents nationwide; GTC Human Resources will post on their available resources and on the internet, and everyone is encouraged to spread the word for a minimum of 60 days. All applications are confidential and go to the ACCT portal. Only the Presidential Search Committee will have access to that data. Dr. Jones will follow up on any leads that are shared with her.

Chair Lattimore asked Ms. Eddy to show the GTC presidential search webpage layout and content.

Chair Lattimore asked Dr. Jones to walk the board through the Presidential Profile. Once the profile is approved, it will be ready to share with the public. Chair Lattimore shared that the committee is very comfortable with the profile.

On behalf of the Presidential Search Committee, Chair Lattimore made a motion to approve the Presidential Profile as presented by Dr. Barbara Jones. The motion carried.

Chair Lattimore asked President Miller if he wanted to add anything. President Miller stated that his experience on the other end of the process as a candidate is that it is a good, comprehensive process, and the fact that employees are invited to attend the forums is crucial.

There being no other business, Mr. Shouse made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.