



Approved by the Board, March 16, 2026

COLLEGE BOARD MEETING

12:30 p.m. – February 20, 2026

Minutes

The Patrick & Henry Community College Board held its rescheduled meeting at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2026, in the Hooke Exhibit Hall of the Frith Economic Development Center, with Mr. Tim Stone, Vice Chair, presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Pam Allen; Ms. Dayna Bobbitt; Mr. Tim Chitwood; Mr. Gary Collins; Dr. Buzz Custer; Mr. Robert Foster; Dr. Shana LeGrant; Mr. Wayne Moore; & Mr. Tim Stone, Vice-Chair.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Carl Cline, Jr.; Ms. Jewell Drewery; Mr. Roger Hayden; Mr. George Hippisley; Mr. Ouss Sahhar; & Mr. Stu Warren

OTHERS PRESENT: Eric Arrington; Sharon Claggett; Ashley Dunovant; Meghan Eggleston; Shannon Farmer; Dr. Colin Ferguson; Jack Hanbury; Monica Hatchett; J.C. Hazelwood; Dr. Greg Hodges; Tianna Holloway; Sarah Beth Morrison; Letitia Pulliam; Amber Shelton; Dr. Derick Simpson; Tiffani Underwood; Amy Webster; Dr. Chris Wikstrom; Donata Worrell; Roberta Wright; & Terry Young.

Mr. Tim Stone, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:28 p.m. A quorum was present.

WELCOME

Vice Chair Tim Stone thanked members for adjusting their schedules following weather-related delays.

CONSIDERATION OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Wayne Morre moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 17, 2025. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dayna Bobbitt & was approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT & ATHLETICS UPDATE

Presented by Dr. Greg Hodges, President

New hires & employees in new roles introduced themselves:

- Ashley Dunovant – PTA Faculty, Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education
- Dr. Derick Simpson – PTA Program Director
- J.C. Hazelwood – Financial Aid Specialist
- Tianna Holloway – Project Director, Student Support Services

Institutional Updates

- P&HCC named among Top 200 Community Colleges by the Aspen Institute.
- MOU signed with Martinsville Sheriff's Department to become training provider for the justice-impacted population.
- Received a \$50,000 anonymous donation supporting this work.
- Awarded \$1.34 million Go Virginia (Region 3) grant to expand industrial skilled trades with DCC & SVCC.
- Received \$14,481 SCHEV Hunger Free Campus Grant supporting the Patriot Pantry.

Awards & Recognition

- P&HCC named a finalist for the AACC Caring Campus Award, based on the college's Gold Certification status.
- Awarded \$10,000 VCCS CAPS grant supporting student-parents.
- Expanded FESTO Level 3 industrial certifications—P&HCC is the first & only U.S. institution currently issuing Level 3 certification.

Enrollment Updates

- +12.6% over budget for summer full-time enrollment
- +7.2% over budget for fall full-time enrollment
- Growth attributed primarily to dual enrollment, with non-DE enrollment remaining nearly flat

Athletics

- Winter sports concluding; spring sports underway.
- Athletic Banquet scheduled for April 6 at 6 p.m.
- Athletic Director search launched; application window closes March 12.

Additional Notices

- Board will receive the annual Presidential Evaluation Survey soon.
- P&HCC will host the State Board of Virginia Community Colleges on March 18–19 at the MET Complex.

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS

Report given by Dr. Chris Wikstrom, Vice President of Instruction & Student Support

- Spring enrollment is nearly 4% above last year, continuing the strong trend.

- Non-dual-enrollment (non-DE) headcount is up 2.5%, reflecting effective retention efforts across staff & faculty.
- The second 8-week session will create expected fluctuations in final spring enrollment.

BUDGET & FINANCE

Report on Local Funds Expenditures – Period Ending January 31, 2026.

Presented by Mr. Jack Hanbury, Vice President of Financial & Administrative Services

- All funds are within budget & performing as expected.
- Some municipal contributions are still pending, but the local fund remains stable.
- Auxiliary Fund:
 - Bookstore commissions projected slightly below expectations
 - Offset by higher vending commissions
- Investment accounts have performed well despite market conditions.
- Student Activities Fund is in the black, supported by enrollment increase.
- Parking Fund is temporarily negative due to one-time softball field expenses, expected to correct soon.

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Report given by Tiffani Underwood, Associate Vice President of Institutional Advancement & P&HCC Foundation Executive Director

The Foundation contributed over \$2.8 million to support the College, equaling 15% of P&HCC's operating budget (as noted in annual report).

Recent Gifts

- \$20,000 – ValleyStar (Athletics)
- \$14,881 – SCHEV Hunger Free Campus Grant
- \$50,000 – Anonymous donor (Justice-impacted training)
- \$224,169.80 – D. Victor Williams Jr. Endowed Scholarship
- \$28,000 – Candace Smith Sammons Endowed Scholarship (Vital Trades)

Gift-In-Kind Donations

- 50 laptops from Eastman (approx. \$5,000 value)

- Office furniture & AV equipment from ICF (approx. \$36,000 value)

Programs & Initiatives

- Partnering again with MHC Chamber for Grow MHC, beginning March 17 at the Thomas Dalton IDEA Center.
- Distinguished Alumni nominations open through Feb. 25.
- Patrick & Henry Scholars Program applications open for Class of 2026 (full tuition/fees + \$500 stipend).

P&HCC Productions completed its December performance of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer; 2026 lineup coming soon.

WORKFORCE & TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

Report given by Dr. Colin Ferguson, Assistant Vice President & Chief Workforce Officer of Workforce & Technical Programs

- Workforce enrollments are on track with revenue performing well.
- Scheduling underway for Summer/Fall offerings.
- Active recruitment of faculty in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, & heavy equipment to support Go Virginia trades expansion.
- Workforce priorities include healthcare, manufacturing, & trades, aligning with regional industry needs.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (Pam Allen, Chair)

A. Board Report #461 Board Policy & Procedures Manual Amendment

Ms. Pam Allen submitted a motion to approve the proposed amendment to the Board Policy & Procedures Manual 8.00. Jack Hanbury summarized the report, explaining that the proposed change would allow minor policy amendments required for alignment with VCCS policies to be automatically incorporated. This would streamline the process & eliminate the need to bring routine policy updates before the board each month.

Vote: The motion to approve the amendment, already seconded by the Legislative Committee, passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Board Report #460 – Professor Emeritus Nomination

Dr. Hodges presented the nomination of Mrs. Joyce Staples, retired English faculty, following established VCCS Policy 3.1.3 guidelines for the title of Professor Emeritus.

Vote: Mr. Robert Foster made a motion to approve the nomination & it was seconded by Dr. Shana LeGrant. The board voted in unanimous favor & the motion carried.

Ad Hoc Nominations Committee

An ad hoc committee has been appointed to recommend new Board leadership as the current chair's term concludes on June 30. Members include:

- Jewell Drewery
- Gary Collins
- Ouss Sahhar

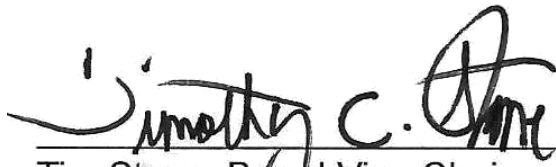
Nominations will be presented at the next board meeting.

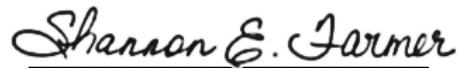
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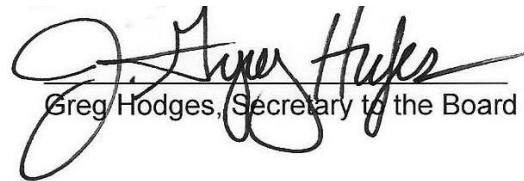
ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion or comments brought forth, Mr. Tim Stone, Vice Chair, adjourned the meeting at 1:13 p.m.

Minutes Approved By:


Tim Stone, Board Vice-Chair


Recorded by Shannon Farmer


Greg Hodges, Secretary to the Board