



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**Jernigan Building Boardroom**  
**February 27, 2024**  
**7 p.m.**

**Regular Session Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Gatling called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was done by Tarsha Bush-Dudley.

**Trustee Attendance:**

<b><u>Trustee Name</u></b>	<b><u>Absent/Present</u></b>
Ronald Gatling (Chair)	Present
Jeri Pierce (Vice-Chair)	Present
Mary Harrell	Absent
Albert Vann	Present
Jean Matthews	Present
Betty Pugh	Absent
Otis Smallwood	Absent
Renee Tyler	Present
Geneva Riddick-Faulkner	Present
Catherine Wilson	Absent
Raymond Faircloth, Jr.	Present

**Staff Present:** Dr. Murray Williams (President), Dr. Tanya Oliver (Associate Vice President of Student Services), Ms. Stephanie Benson (Executive Vice President for Workforce and Institutional Effectiveness), Ms. Miriam Caslin (CFO/VP of Administrative Services), Tarsha Bush-Dudley (Board Liaison)

**Others Present:** Representative Bill Ward (North Carolina General Assembly, District 5), Mrs. Judy Ward, Ms. Kimberly Mack (District Director for Congressman Don Davis), Mr. John Tayloe (Representative for U.S. Senator Ted Budd)

**Invocation:** Given by Chairman Gatling.

**Conflict of Interest Statement:** Read by Chair Gatling. None were noted.

**Mission Statement Review:** Vice-Chair Pierce reviewed the R-CCC Mission Statement with the Trustees.



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**Introduction of New Employees:** The following person was introduced as a new employee of R-CCC:

1. Ms. SaRatta Murphy, Small Business Center Director

**Approval of the Agenda:**

- On a motion by Trustee Pierce and seconded by Trustee Matthews the February 27, 2024, agenda was approved by the Board.

**Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:**

- On a motion by Trustee Vann and seconded by Trustee Tyler, the Board approved the January 23, 2024, Board minutes.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee:**

- Ms. Caslin gave an overview of the Financial Report for the month of January 31, 2024.
- On a motion by Trustee Matthews and seconded by Trustee Pierce, the Board approved the Financial Report dated January 31, 2024.

**Policy & Quality Assurance Committee:**

- On a motion by Trustee Pierce and seconded by Trustee Tyler the Trustees approved Section 1 of the Board Policy Manual.
- Dr. Williams addressed the contents of Section 2 & 3 in the Board Policy Manual. She indicated that approval for these sections will be sought at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Dr. Williams urged the Trustees to focus on the specific policies listed below, emphasizing that decisions need to be made on how they intend to proceed with these policies.

1. Policy 3 (Sections 3 & 4)
2. Policy 3.3.4 (Section 2- Item 6)
3. Policy 3.3.6 (Section 2- Item H)



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**Board Chair's Report:**

- Chairman Gatling acknowledged Trustee Matthews and Trustee Tyler for their birthdays in the month of February.
- Chairman Gatling stated the Trustees have 100% participation in their commitment to pledge \$1,000 each to the R-CCC Foundation.
- Chairman Gatling stated the R-CCC BOT Retreat has been cancelled due to schedule conflicts.

**President's Report:**

Dr. Williams discussed the information that was presented to the Trustees regarding the Proposed Amendment of 1C SBCCC 300.1 Presidential Selection Process. The State Board of Community Colleges has initiated the rulemaking process to amend 1C SBCCC 300.1 Presidential Selection Process.

The proposed amendment would allow the Personnel Committee of the SBCC to consider and assess the candidates submitted by a college's local Board of Trustees for a college president vacancy. Any member of the public has the right to submit written comments on the proposed rule.

**Closed Session:**

- There was no closed session for this meeting.

**Adjournment:**

- On a motion by Trustee Pierce and seconded by Trustee Tyler the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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**Board Chairman**

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**Board Liaison**