

ROWAN UNIVERSITY/RUTGERS–CAMDEN

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

March 8, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jack Collins, Chair
Lou Bezieh, Vice-Chair (via teleconference)
Chad Bruner
Michellene Davis (via teleconference)
Fred Graziano
Robert Mortensen
Dana Redd

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Kris Kolluri, CEO, Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden
Board of Governors
Raymond G. Console, Esq., Legal Counsel for the Rowan
University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors
Michele Robinson, Secretary, Rowan University/Rutgers–
Camden Board of Governors

OTHERS

Members of the Press
Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors was held on March 8, 2016 at the Waterfront Technology Center, 200 Federal Street, Camden, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Collins at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Collins presided as chair of the meeting.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Ms. Robinson read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement of Compliance.

ROLL CALL

At the direction of the Chair, Ms. Robinson took attendance by calling the roll and asked if there were any recusals to be noted for the record. No recusals were noted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Collins asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Collins turned the meeting over to Mr. Console for the election of officers to the Board. Mr. Console explained that pursuant to the bylaws of the Board, this was a reorganization meeting requiring election of the chair and vice chair positions.

Mr. Console called for election of the chair position, and Mr. Collins was nominated. Mr. Collins' nomination was seconded and approved unanimously.

Mr. Console called for election of the vice-chair position, and Mr. Bezich was nominated. Mr. Bezich's nomination was seconded and approved unanimously.

Mr. Console congratulated Mr. Collins and Mr. Bezich and turned the meeting back over to Chair Collins. Chair Collins and Mr. Bezich thanked the Board for their support.

OPEN SESSION

Chair Collins stated that in accordance with Board Resolution No. 2015.06.04, adopted on June 9, 2015, today's meeting was started in Executive Session at 11:00 a.m. Topics discussed in Executive Session were legal, real estate, personnel, and finance matters pertaining to the new Joint Health Sciences Campus. Some real estate matters were also discussed in open session. At that point, a motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to move into open session.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Chair Collins asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the Board's previous meeting held on February 9, 2016. A motion was made, seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Collins opened the floor to comments specifically related to the resolutions on the agenda. There were no public comments.

CEO REPORT

Mr. Kolluri provided the Board with two updates. First, with respect to the Joint Health Sciences project, as of this meeting, the Board had completed acquisition and relocation of existing tenants on Block 181. A court date of

March 11, 2016 was set to assume possession of remaining properties. Demolition is expected to begin mid-April. The project is on target with respect to timing and budget. Mr. Kolluri will post the concept design on the Board's website.

Second, Mr. Kolluri presented representatives from the two cohorts who are participating in the Camden Medical Assistant Training Program. Five students in Cohort 1 have completed internships at area hospitals and academic training at Camden County College; they are ready to begin full-time employment. Nine students from various high schools in Camden comprise Cohort 2, and they are ready to begin the program.

Mr. Kolluri indicated that the Board is most gratified by this program which demonstrates the potential for developing the human capital in the city of Camden. He looked forward to hearing from the students later in the meeting.

**MATTERS PRESENTED BY
THE CHAIRMAN FOR
ACTION CONSIDERATION**

Chair Collins introduced Mr. Kolluri to present the resolutions listed in the agenda.

Resolution 2016-03-01

Resolution amending the bylaws of the Board and establishing a meeting schedule for the 2016-2017 calendar year. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2016-03-02

Resolution amending the procurement policy of the Board. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2016-03-03

Resolution consenting to the actions taken by the Camden County Improvement Authority regarding the Joint Health Sciences Campus pursuant to a Shared Services Memorandum of Understanding. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2016-03-04

Resolution authorizing the appointment of Ms. Michele Robinson as Board Secretary. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2016-03-05

Resolution ratifying the relocation agreement between the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors and Broadway Food Court, LLC, located at Lot 56, Block 181. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

The full text of each of these resolutions is appended to these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Prior to inviting members of the Board to offer comments, Chair Collins invited Ms. Laura Jakimowicz, coordinator of the Medical Assistant Training Program for the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers, to comment. Ms. Jakimowicz expressed pride in the first cohort of graduating students and thanked them for their hard work and dedication. She expressed excitement for the students in Cohort 2 who are about to begin the journey. She indicated there are “so many people involved with this great program.” Among those she thanked for their support include the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors, NJ Education Association, Camden County Youth One Stop Resource Center, Camden City School District, Cooper University Hospital, Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, and Virtua.

Chair Collins expressed gratification from the Board’s support of this program. However, he indicated that the “real stars of the program are the students who are now in the position to achieve for the rest of their lives.” Mr. Collins invited students from both cohorts to offer comments.

Mr. Russ Kalyk-Still, a graduate of Cohort 1, indicated that personal obstacles and academic rigor made the program challenging. He advised the students in Cohort 2 to “stay focused and be on it.” His strong work ethic and enthusiasm for working with children at the Osbourne Family Center was apparent.

Ms. Keonna McNair, a senior at Camden High School and a member of Cohort 2, expressed thanks to the Board for the program. Although she “knows it will be a struggle,” Ms. McNair is excited to have such an opportunity and to study as part of a cohort whose members are already supporting each other.

There were no further comments from members of the public.

COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Collins invited members of the Board to offer comments.

On behalf of the entire Board, the students received congratulations, praise, encouragement, and guidance from Mayor Redd, Mr. Graziano, Ms. Davis, and Mr. Mortensen.

In addition to congratulating the students, Mr. Kolluri thanked Rowan University and Rutgers University, the institutional partners present, for their support and commitment to college access. He encouraged the students in Cohort 1 to seek opportunities to further their education and thanked Ms. Jakimowicz for her dedication to the students. He also thanked NJEA, Camden County One Stop, and the Board for funding the medical assistant training program.

On behalf of President Houshmand and Rowan University, Mr. Steven Weinstein, Esq., Senior Vice President for Governmental Relations and General Counsel at Rowan University, congratulated the students, Board, and Kris Kolluri on the success of the program

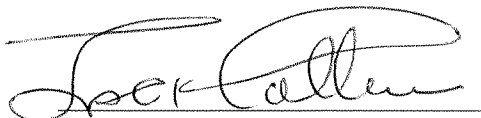
There were no further comments from members of the public.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Chair Collins opened the floor for any closing comments by members of the Board. There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Chair Collins entertained a motion for adjournment. The motion for adjournment was seconded and approved unanimously, whereupon Chair Collins adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Collins", written over a horizontal line.

Jack Collins, Chair
Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors