

MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE EDUCATION

August 15, 2024

A meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education was held via Zoom beginning at 9:30 am. Council members present were: Bill Baker, Bob Brown, Clinton Burch, Christina Cameron, Tracy Miller, Andrew Payne, and Steve Roberts. Absent were: Michael Graney and Traci Nelson. Also in attendance were Council staff, community and technical college presidents, faculty, staff, and guests.

Call to Order

Chairman Cameron called the meeting to order noting a quorum was present.

1. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Brown moved the adoption of the minutes from the June 6, 2024, meeting of the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education.

Mr. Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. West Virginia Invests Fee Increase at BridgeValley Community and Technical College for Nursing Program

Mr. Brown moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education approves the academic fees eligible for West Virginia Invests at BridgeValley Community and Technical College.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Additional Comments/Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Sarah Tucker highlighted several challenges with the updated FAFSA process. Previously, institutional presidents had the ability to submit corrections for multiple student FAFSAs in a single batch. The new system now requires these corrections to be made individually for each student, which has significantly slowed down the process of addressing errors and applying funds. As a result, institutions are experiencing delays, especially for last minute applications, and are having to push back drop dates.

In addition to the delays caused by the new FAFSA correction process, there are new reporting guidelines for Financial Aid that are adding further strain to already stretched Financial Aid staff. In response to these challenges, Dr. Tucker has taken action by signing a letter requesting the National Association for Foreign Student Advisers (NAFSA) to provide relief from these new requirements for one year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Council Meeting: October 17, 2024
Time: 9:30 am
Location: To Be Determined



Christina Cameron, Chairman



Tracy Miller, Secretary