



## Finance and Capital Committee Meeting Minutes – June 13, 2023

Trustee Durso asked if there were any comments. There being none, a motion was requested to forward the resolution to the full Board of Trustees for approval. Trustee DeGrace made the motion; seconded by Trustee Siberón. Motion carried 4-0.

### 3. Independent Auditor's Report – Andrew Lee of CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA)

Mr. Lee from CLA joined the meeting via Zoom and apologized for not being able to join in person. He presented audit results for the Fiscal 22 audit. Mr. Lee went over the independent audit report, noting that CLA has issued an unmodified opinion for the College financial statements for fiscal year 2022. He added that an unmodified report is the highest level of assurance that they can provide as external auditors.

Mr. Lee reported on the findings noting the first three were related to material weakness in financial reporting. Two of the three findings were a repeat from the prior year. On the third finding, he noted that certain student records weren't reported in a timely manner. He recommended the College update student information more timely to ensure accurate information is submitted per federal reporting requirements. The fifth and final finding related to not having proper documentation for the review and approval of the annual report.

### 4. SUNY Resolution – Establishment of Tuition Benefits for Students from Temporary Protected Status Countries – 12-13-2022

**WHEREAS** New York State is known for its welcoming embrace of refugee populations; and

**WHEREAS** SUNY has a history of responding to populations in need by designating the citizens/residents of locations devastated by natural or manmade disasters as New York residents for tuition purposes; including students from New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005; students from Haiti after it was designated for Temporary Protected Status following devastating earthquakes in 2010; and students from Puerto Rico in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria in 2019; and

**WHEREAS** the United States Secretary for the Department of Homeland Security is authorized to designate a foreign state (or any part thereof) for Temporary Protected Status upon finding that extraordinary and temporary conditions in the foreign state prevent its nationals from returning safely, unless permitting the foreign state's nationals to remain temporarily in the United States is contrary to the national interest of the United States; and

**WHEREAS** the SUNY Board of Trustees wishes to extend the benefit of resident tuition to students who are nationals of countries that have been designated as Temporary Protected Status as a humanitarian response which acknowledges these students' inability to return to their home; now; and

**WHEREAS** on December 13, 2022 the SUNY Board of Trustees authorized the Chancellor, or designee, be, and hereby is, authorized to amend the State University of New York Guidelines on Residency for Tuition Purposes to, within the confines of New York State Education Law, make graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in the State- operated institutions of the State University of New York, who are attending these institutions on non-immigrant visas and are nationals of a country that has been granted Temporary Protected Status, to be considered eligible for resident tuition for the Spring 2022 term and the 2022/23 academic year; and

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**WHEREAS** on December 13, 2022 the SUNY Board of Trustees urged that the boards of trustees of the 30 community colleges operating under the program of the State University of New York, to take actions to support students from Temporary Protected Status nations consistent with the spirit of this policy; and

**WHEREAS** SUNY is extending the resident tuition rate to support students from Temporary Protected Status nations for the 2023/24 academic year; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** that Nassau Community College Board of Trustees authorize the NCC administration to amend residency requirements for tuition purposes to students that have been granted Temporary Protected Status, who would not otherwise qualify based on any other established NYS residency requirement. The amendment would apply to current students with non-immigrant visas, making them eligible for Nassau County resident tuition for the 2023/24 academic year.

Dr. Mayyasi discussed the resolution regarding tuition benefits for students with temporary protected status. He noted that the Board had previously approved TPS in the Spring of 2023. He added that SUNY has sent a communication asking all campuses to extend TPS for the upcoming academic year.

Trustee Durso asked if there were any comments. There being none, a motion was requested to forward the resolution to the full Board of Trustees for approval. Trustee DeGrace made the motion; seconded by Trustee Jorge Gardyn. Motion carried 3-1 (Rosenberg)-0.

### 5. Donations

#### a. Donation – 1928 New York City Hot Dog Cart

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jorge Gardyn would like to donate a 1928 New York City Hot Dog Cart to Nassau Community College, and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated value of the donation is eighty-five hundred dollars (\$8500.00), and

**WHEREAS**, the department of Student Activities has determined that this donation will be a practical and novel benefit for use at student events, and greatly appreciates this donation, and

**WHEREAS**, there is minimal cost to Nassau Community College to arrange for the retrieval of the equipment,

**RESOLVED**, that the Nassau Community College Board of Trustees Finance and Capital Committee recommends that the full Board of Trustees accepts the donation of a 1928 New York City Hot Dog Cart from Dr. Jorge Gardyn.

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### b. Donation – Two (2) Midmark 1100 Stretchers

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jorge Gardyn would like to donate two Midmark 1100 Stretchers to Nassau Community College, and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated total value of the donation is three thousand dollars (\$3000.00), and

**WHEREAS**, the Allied Health Sciences Radiologic Technology department has determined that this donation will enrich the learning process for its students, and greatly appreciates this donation, and

**WHEREAS**, there is minimal cost to Nassau Community College to arrange for the retrieval of the equipment,

**RESOLVED**, that the Nassau Community College Board of Trustees Finance and Capital Committee recommends that the full Board of Trustees accepts the donation of two Midmark 1100 Stretchers from Dr. Jorge Gardyn and expresses their appreciation for this gift.

Trustee Durso asked if there were any comments. There being none, a motion was requested to forward the resolution to the full Board of Trustees for approval. Trustee Rosenberg made the motion; seconded by Trustee Siberón. Motion carried 4-0.

### 6. Office of the Comptroller's Report – presented by Abel Cantillo

- a. For the month of May, the Comptroller's Office examined 20 OTPS (Other than Personal Services) expenditures. They ranged in value from approximately \$429 to \$214,000. All 20 expenditures were found to be in conformity with the Codes and Regulations of the State University of New York.
- b. For the Accounts Receivable Report, through May of 2023, we collected 89.6% of our student receivables. That compares with 89% collected last year at this time.

### 7. Updates – presented by Omar Mayyasi – There were no further updates for the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Omar Mayyasi

Omar Mayyasi

Consulting Vice President for Finance & Administration