

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Garden City, New York 11530

Academic, Student Affairs & Enrollment Committee Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2025

The meeting of the Academic, Student Affairs & Enrollment Committee of the Board of Trustees was held in the College Center Building rooms 252-253. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Tuman at 5:15 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Donna Tuman, Chair
Lynne D'Agostino
Elliot Conway
Joshua Hammer
Jorge Gardyn (ex-officio).

Also in Attendance: John Durso, George Siberón
CAO Conzatti, Registrar Barkan, Asst. VP Follick,

1. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Tuman requested a motion to approve the minutes of June 10, 2025. Trustee Conway moved the motion; seconded by Trustee Hammer. Motion carried 4-0.

2. Report of the Academic Senate Chair

Senate Chair Boyden spoke about the approval of dual enrollment agreements by the College-wide curriculum committee (CWCC) with Valley Stream, course ENG 101; Baldwin HS, course ECO 110; Bellmore-Merrick, course ENG 101; and Nassau BOCES-Barry Tech, course HIT 151.

3. Enrollment Updates

The Registrar's office continues its outreach to attract students with mailings to continuing students and new non-degree and visiting students. Communications via Slate and the NCC student mail list to encourage registration for the Fall. There is a 2% increase in continuing student enrollment over the prior year and working with the Office of Institutional Advancement on updated communications to increase the non-degree enrollment. Registration for Winter begins October 5, 2025. Registration for Spring 2026 begins November 12, 2025. Currently there are 250 new students registered in the Dual Enrollment program.

Asst. VP Follick presented the Fall new student enrollment trends comparing September 2, 2023 to September 2, 2025 showing an increase in first-year applications, first-year admits, transfers, and re-admits. Currently, there are about 250 students in our dual enrollment, registration continues through the month of September.

Trustee Tuman asked what is your projection going forward of a change in enrollment with new students? Dr. Follick explained that the increase in enrollment can be attributed to the SUNY Reconnect program and the launch of several high-demand workforce programs. A dedicated SUNY Reconnect Office has been established to support returning students. Additionally, the Office of Institutional Advancement has implemented effective marketing strategies to promote the College. Programs such as Cybersecurity, Health Studies, and Teacher Education have seen particularly high demand. However, space remains limited in Nursing and Allied Health programs. NCC was the only SUNY institution to host an in-person information session on a Saturday during the summer, which drew a large crowd and filled the Multi-Purpose Room to capacity.

The challenges of putting the program together due to delayed communication from SUNY were class limitations to those students who waited to the last minute to register. Late start classes typically fill a little later in the semester, however, they filled much earlier this year. By closely monitoring registration with the Advisement Office, the College reached out to the academic team to add additional course sections. The program ultimately proved to be highly successful, thanks to the coordinated efforts of all student services departments working together.

Trustee Conway asked how the enrollment is for other SUNY institutions and with the unexpected volume, are there students who weren't able to take classes that they wanted? Dr. Follick replied that enrollment is down in other SUNY institutions and by working with the academic team, additional classes were added for both the late start session and the second half of the semester classes. Classes that begin in October are almost all closed. If needed we will be adding classes to the session that starts on October 25th.

Trustee Conway asked if the increase in enrollment will help with the state funding? Dr. Conzatti explained that it can help, however, a larger increase by 3,000 or 4,000 students is needed to significantly impact funding.

Trustee D'Agostino asked about the source of where the transfer students coming from? Dr. Follick replied, the students are transferring for a variety of reasons; location, affordability or credit transferability. Typically, it's financial due to the rising tuition costs changes in the FAFSA.

Trustee Tuman asked if there were any other items for the Committee to consider. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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the Board of Trustees