

EGSC Foundation Meeting Minutes ----- June 26, 2017 – The Fulford Center

Present: President Boehmer, Cliff Gay, Milton Gray, Richard McNeely, Denny Key, Juanita Porter, Bobby Reeves, Scott Rosenau, John Derden, Steven Rigdon, Bobby Sasser, Toni Terwilliger, Ken Warnock

Absent: Jean Bridges, Charles Schwabe, Shot Strange, Donald Jenkins, Harriet Ray, Matt Donaldson, Carol Yeomans.

Present by Proxy: Bill Rogers, Jr., Dustin Durden, Wade Johnson, Lynda Talmadge, Bill Simmons, Tammy Wilkes

Staff Present: Wiley Gammon, Norma Kennedy, Elizabeth Gilmer, Mike Rountree, Michelle Goff

Guests: Vicki Sherrod, Miley Keyton, Kandi McNeal, Brooke McBroom.

Summary: 13 present / 6 present by proxy – 19 voting members/ 24 on roster – quorum met

Denny Key opened the meeting with a welcome at 6 PM. He introduced new member, Steven Rigdon to the group and noted that our other new member, Matt Donaldson, was not in attendance due to his previous commitment with the City of Twin City where he serves as Council person. Chairman Key introduced Ken Warnock and the students, McNeal, McBroom and Keyton to make a presentation about securing a downtown location for the college. Warnock reminded the group of the roots of ECJC being downtown and the students voiced their opinions about the benefits of a downtown location. The trustees voted to allow a select committee to move forward with an informal feasibility study of a downtown location.

Chairman Key then turned over the floor to Milton Gray, chair of the Real Estate/Finance Committee. Gray presented the recommendation (attached) from the committee. Recommendations concerning the Gambrell Property and the Morgan Property were approved unanimously. Elizabeth will contact Greg Barwick to advise him of the outcome.

The March 2017 minutes were approved unanimously. The financial statements were approved unanimously.

President's Comments –Dr. Boehmer shared a PowerPoint presentation with pictures of the academic building expansion. He reminded everyone of the ribbon cutting on August 17 and asked for a good attendance from the board.

He also mentioned the student center expansion that would be occupied in the next two years and explained that these two projects, totaling \$9.5 million would be completed with no debt to the college due to help from our legislators. He asked again that everyone thank the representatives and senators for their support.

We have positive news about the 2018 budget. The state allocation increased 15.75% over last years. Only 2 other institutions got a higher percentage increase. The dollar amount is \$1,230,943. This is somewhat offset by bad news - the state has mandated an increase in TRS and a 2% raise. Still, we are grateful for the increase.

Dr. Goodman is retiring and Dr. Deborah Vess will be on board after the 4th of July holiday.

Dr. Boehmer talked about the rigorous SACS commission accreditation process. He was very positive about EGSC getting through all of the approvals we have faced, for example., 5-year interim report and QEP, changes in Augusta and Statesboro new programs in FESA, Biology , Nursing and more to come. He commented on David Gribbin's diligent efforts.

Institutional Advancement

Elizabeth Gilmer gave an update on fundraising and the grants in process. She also distributed key indicators on advancement topics for the month.

The EGSCF Budget for FY18 was presented and approved.

Other business

Announcements were made to review the list of upcoming dates. Following a motion and second, Chairman Key adjourned the meeting.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Gilmer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

On behalf of Harriet Ray, Secretary