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A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Berkshire Community College was held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 via Zoom. Chair Bowen read the disclosure that the meeting was being recorded by P.C.T.V. Chair Bowen called the meeting to order at 4:32 PM. Heather Seely took the roll call and noted that a quorum was present.

- PRESENT: Chair Bowen; Trustees Chacon, Cuyler, Gonzalez, Kiely, Mirante, Moore, Vrabl, Zaffanella and Student Trustee De Souza
- ABSENT: Trustee Meyers
- ALSO PRESENT BCC President, Ellen Kennedy; Vice President for Students Affairs & Enrollment Management, Adam Klepetar; Interim Vice President for Administration & Finance, Christina Wynn; Vice President of Academic Affairs, Laurie Gordy; Assistant to the President, Heather Seely; Executive Director of Human Resources, Beth Dolan. Additionally, M. McLaughlin, K. Hines, R. Bucknell, L. Moon, J. Sykes, C. DeGray, K. Trautman

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by D. Gonzalez and seconded by J. Cuyler, it was VOTED by roll call to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2023 meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kennedy provided update on MCCC contract statewide that is sitting in a supplemental budget and noted that the final session of this calendar year is in November and we hope that the funding for the contract is supported at that time.

Enrollment Update was provided by A. Klepetar noting that they are moving from a year-to-year by date to a target model and used last 10 years of student enrollment behaviors

matriculated headcount is up
sister colleges also are seeing
are looking at age breakdown
students and the impact on
edamerica to engage students

Dean of Nursing, Health, & V
Department. We have been
LPN, but overall increases. I
more than 20% increase in a
request is made 6 months p

Assessment is important in many areas for the program and needed for our accreditations. We look at many factors including rubric of GPAs, science courses, attendance in class and clinical. We have been looking at student distance as one of tools to help assess and assist students to be successful. Additionally, we have support and requirements for students that are making a second attempt. We do all the data collection, analysis and trends because we want to have an excellent program and train the next generation of nurses for our community and we want them to pass the NCLEX.

K. Trautman provided an overview of the Community College Nursing Scholarship Program that the Commonwealth has launched that is designed to attract, incentivize, and encourage a diverse population of students to enroll in and complete a postsecondary credential or degree in the Nursing profession at a MA community college. This program provides “last dollar” financial assistance to ensure that all eligible students have adequate resources to fully cover the direct costs of tuition, fees and books. Overall state budget for FY24 has a \$18 million appropriation for community colleges, BCC will receive \$249,898 of the \$5.6 million that is available for direct scholarship students. At BCC we have 42 students that have been awarded funds for Fall 2023 with average being \$2,367.

C. DeGray, Director of Facilities provided updates on all the construction projects happening around campus. We are close to wrapping up many of the projects under the \$10 million critical infrastructure funds from DCAMM. Projects that are wrapping up in the coming weeks are Boland Theater Lobby, Exterior Pavers, Quad Restoration, Window Project, and Electrical Switchgear Upgrades.

We continue to work on our strategic plan and this year with faculty still on work to rule have looked at what foci we could be working on while respecting work to rule and expand when work to rule ends. A. Klepetar, L. Gordy, C. Wynn and E. Kennedy provided overview of goals and objectives that Ken s\$[hi()Tj EMC /P xhgeae2(ar)1(2(e)2r(. A)-4. (ra)-1(d)-1

