

**Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** April 8, 2019 – 6:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** Howard C. St. John Business Seminar Room, Clinton Hall, SUNY  
Ulster  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chairman James Delaune  
**RECORDER:** Danielle Wayman, Program Assistant, SUNY Ulster  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Haynes, Collins, Donaldson, and Wawro  
**ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Dr. Alan Roberts- President, SUNY Ulster and Jared Buono-  
Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County

Chairman Delaune called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

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**Motion No. 1: Moved to Approve the Minutes of the March 11, 2019, meeting**

**Motion By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Collins

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Delaune, Haynes, Collins, Donaldson, and Wawro

**Voting Against:** 0

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Minutes approved

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Chairman Delaune asked Dr. Roberts, President- SUNY Ulster to address the committee. Dr. Roberts reported on community college funding, and shared that community colleges will now receive a guaranteed minimum of the same funding as last year, or will receive an increase in funding with additional FTEs. Dr. Roberts thanked the legislature for helping advocate for this new funding model.

Dr. Roberts reported that the College is projecting a decrease in enrollment for next year when compared to budget FTEs. Dr. Roberts attributes this decrease in enrollment to the decrease in area high school graduates. Dr. Roberts reported that high school graduation rates will decrease by 500 high school students over the next five years. Dr. Roberts stated that the College will need to focus on the adult market as well as expand the Collegian Program.

Chairman Delaune discussed touring the campus. Dr. Roberts confirmed that the tour would take place next month before the meeting. Legislators interested in taking the tour should meet in the Howard C. St. John Business Seminar Room in Clinton Hall. The tour will begin at 6PM. Dr. Roberts stated that he would let Jenn Zell know, so arrangements can be made.

Legislator Donaldson discussed the bus wrap idea with Dr. Roberts. Legislator Donaldson expressed his desire to move forward with the project. Legislator Donaldson suggested having area high school students create artwork that addresses an issue (opioid crisis) and have it be judged by the College. The winner would have their artwork displayed on a bus. Dr. Roberts suggested having the artwork displayed at SUNY Ulster. Deputy Chairman Haynes asked if the artwork would address other issues like vaping or if it would just be opioids. Discussion ensued. Legislator Donaldson stated that he would like to see a couple of buses display various artwork. Dr. Roberts stated that he would make a note to speak to the Marketing Department in regards to the cost of a bus wrap, and some possible prize ideas.

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**Resolutions for April 16, 2019, Session:**

**Resolution No. 147** – Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) For Construction Phase Services For Phase 1 Of Campus Roof Project For John Vanderlyn Hall Skylight, MacDonald DeWitt Library And Burroughs Hall (Minus Lecture Hall) Related To The Campus Roofs Capital Project No. 489- Campus Roofs And Amending the 2019 Ulster County Capital Fund- Ulster County Community College

**Resolution Summary:** Approving the work order with DASNY for the construction phase of the campus roof project (Capital Project No. 489)

**Motion No. 2**                      **Moved to adopt Resolution No. 147**

**Motion By:**                      Legislator Donaldson

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Collins

**Discussion:**

None.

**Voting In Favor:**              Legislators Delaune, Haynes, Collins, Donaldson, and Wawro

**Voting Against:**              None

**Votes in Favor:**              5

**Votes Against:**              0

**Disposition:**              Resolution adopted

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**Resolution No. 149**– Establishing Capital Project No. 541 SUNY Ulster- Facilities Equipment And Amending The 2019 Capital Project Fund- Ulster County Community College

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution establishes Capital Project No. 541- SUNY Ulster- Facilities Equipment and Amending the 2019 Capital Project Fund

**Motion No. 3**                      **Moved to adopt Resolution No. 149**

**Motion By:**                      Legislator Donaldson

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Collins

**Discussion:**

None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Delaune, Haynes, Collins, Donaldson, and Wawro  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution adopted

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Chairman Delaune asked Jared Buono, Executive Director- Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County to address the committee. Executive Director Buono discussed some of the most recent topics being discussed at CCE, adding that recent discussions have been about the Spotted Lanternfly and local economic activity in regards to hemp. Executive Director Buono shared that there is federal funding for hemp, but the danger in this region is the uncertainty (citing that many crops were lost last year due to the rain). Executive Director Buono added that another challenge is keeping the male and female plants separate. Executive Director Buono stated that CCE will be holding information sessions on hemp to aid law enforcement.

Executive Director Buono briefly reported on programming. Executive Director Buono stated that there are not enough 4-H clubs, adding that CCE needs more leaders. There are currently many different 4-H clubs, most still involve animals, but there are other clubs for robotics, STEM, and most recently rockets. Chairman Delaune asked Executive Director Buono what he attributes the uptick in 4-H clubs to? Executive Director Buono stated that he believes people are going back to farms and animals. Legislator Donaldson asked what kinds of clubs were covered under 4-H. Executive Director Buono stated that there is everything from animals (dogs, horses, and rabbits), to fashion and crafts, to rockets and robotics. Executive Director Buono shared that Kingston is looking to establish a bike 4-H club and a Spanish speaking 4-H club.

Executive Director Buono stated that CCE would be taking over SUNY Ulster for Garden Day, which is part of the Master Gardeners Program, sharing that one of the topics being discussed was “Embrace Your Invasives.”

Executive Director Buono stated that CCE would like to host one of the Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services Committee meetings. It was discussed that CCE will host the June meeting at 6:30 PM. Executive Director Buono suggested meeting at the Hudson Valley Research Lab (Highland). Executive Director Buono stated that he would check into the logistics of this and be in contact.

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**Resolution No. 125** – Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Ulster County Youth Board

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution confirms appoint of a member to the Ulster County Youth Board.

**Motion No. 4**                    **Moved to adopt Resolution No. 125**  
**Motion By:**                    Legislator Donaldson  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes

**Discussion:**

It was discussed that Chairman Delaune will encourage attendance and ask that appointees come and introduce themselves.

**Voting In Favor:**            Legislators Delaune, Haynes, Collins, Donaldson, and Wawro  
**Voting Against:**            None  
**Votes in Favor:**            5  
**Votes Against:**            0  
**Disposition:**              Resolution adopted

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**Resolution No. 151** – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Grant Application With Required Assurances For The Medicare Improvements For Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) And Amending The 2019 Ulster County Budget To Include Additional Funding From The New York State Office For The Aging (NYSOFA)- Office For The Aging

**Resolution Summary:** Authorizing the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a grant application with required assurances for MIPPA and amend the 2019 Ulster County Budget to include additional funding from NYSOFA.

**Motion No. 5**                    **Moved to adopt Resolution No. 151**  
**Motion By:**                    Legislator Donaldson  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes

**Discussion:**

Originally, there was some confusion in regards to the resolution. Legislator Donaldson pointed out that this resolution allows the County to accept money due. It turns out that the County received more than expected.

**Voting In Favor:**            Legislators Delaune, Haynes, and Donaldson  
**Voting Against:**            None  
**Votes in Favor:**            3  
**Votes Against:**            0  
**Disposition:**              Resolution adopted

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Old Business- None

New Business

Chairman Delaune discussed the having the July meeting at Mohonk Preserve. Chairman Delaune stated that he would make contact, and see what could be arranged. Chairman Delaune reminded the group that it would be at the Preserve and not at the Mountain House.

Chairman Delaune asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

### **Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Wawro

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5

**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 7:02 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Danielle Wayman, Program Assistant, SUNY Ulster

**Minutes Approved: May 13, 2019**