

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

DATE & TIME: June 10, 2019 – 5:30 PM
LOCATION: Karen Binder Library, Ulster County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman James Delaune
RECORDER: Jamie Capuano, Vice President for Administrative Services, SUNY
Ulster
PRESENT: Legislators Haynes, Donaldson, and Wawro
ABSENT: Julius Collins
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Marc Rider, Deputy County Executive, Steve Masee, Director
Ulster County Office for Veteran Affairs

Chairman Delaune called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Motion No. 1: Moved to Approve the Minutes of the May 13, 2019 meeting

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Wawro

Discussion:

Legislator Haynes, and Legislator Wawro requested that the meeting minutes be amended to reflect that concerns regarding the completion of Capital projects were isolated to actions of the prior administration at SUNY Ulster and that there are no longer concerns regarding these projects.

In addition, the meeting minutes must be amended to correctly reflect that Legislator Collins was not present at the May 13, 2019 meeting.

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

Voting Against: 0

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Minutes approved with amendments

Resolutions for June 10, 2019, Session:

Resolution No. 249 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Parrott Enterprises, Inc. – Ulster County Community College

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves a contract with Parrott Enterprises, Inc. for the construction of the Vanerdyln Pedestrian Bridge.

Motion No. 2 Moved to adopt Resolution No. 249

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

None.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 250– Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) To Provide Design And Construction Management Services For The Installation Of An Accessible Ramp At The Burroughs Lecture Hall, Related To The Capital Project No. 524 SUNY Ulster – Burroughs Renovations – SUNY Ulster

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves a work order with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York for the construction of an ADA accessible ramp at the Burroughs Lecture Hall – SUNY Ulster Stone Ridge Campus.

Motion No. 3 Moved to adopt Resolution No. 250

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

None.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 251 – Establishing Capital Project No. 546 SUNY Ulster – Technology Upgrade And Amending The 2019-2024 Capital Project Fund – SUNY Ulster

Resolution Summary: This resolution establishes and funds Capital Project No. 546 – Technology Upgrade for SUNY Ulster.

Motion No. 4 Moved to adopt Resolution No. 212

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Legislator Haynes requested an overview of the project and the technology replacement plan for SUNY Ulster. Deputy County Executive Marc Rider requested that Vice President Jamie Capuano walk the Legislative members through the project. Vice President Capuano provided an overview of the replacement plan, indicating that the College is currently undergoing a five-year replacement plan for computers and updating other technological needs to achieve a five-year replacement plan. She explained that several of the campus computer labs are in need of computer updates and that the College is currently in the third year of scheduled replacements. She further indicated that within the next few years, the College would be caught up and would, at that time, simply be maintaining the computers and completing replacements on an as needed basis. The five-year replacement plan is the benchmark for industry standards to ensure that computers and other technological equipment remain in working order, and are compatible with new technologies. She also indicated that the College is seeing new requests for adaptive equipment for several students and that the College expects these requests to increase in the coming years.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Delaune, Haynes, Donaldson, and Wawro
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 254 – Increasing The Maximum Amount Of Payment For Burial And Purchasing Of Markers For Indigent Veterans And Their Families – Veteran Services

Resolution Summary: The resolution increase the amount of funding provided to funeral homes for the provision of indigent veteran burials and the allocation of funds for veteran burial markers.

Motion No. 5 **Moved to adopt Resolution No. 214**
Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Wawro

Discussion:

Steve Masee, the Director of the Ulster County Office for Veteran Services, summarized the work that his office does with regard to indigent Veteran burials and indicated that all counties in New York State are required to provide indigent Veteran burials. However, he indicated that the current funding that is being provided to the local funeral homes to provide this service is not sufficient to cover their costs. Currently, the County reimburses up to \$3,100 for each indigent Veteran burial. Mr. Masee indicated that is covering about half of the cost associated with these burials and that the funeral homes have not received an increase in the allowable rate in over nine years. This increase would provide a 2% adjustment to the current rates, resulting in a maximum rate of \$3,600. Legislator Donaldson stated that it has been a long time since the rates were last increased and that he was supportive of the work that the office does for Veteran services.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Delaune, Donaldson, Wawro

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Old Business – None

New Business- None.

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: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:38 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Jamie Capuano, Vice President for Administrative Services, SUNY Ulster
Minutes Approved: July 8, 2019