Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Board of Governors Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2025

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00pm. Present were S. Arbaugh, Dr. Striplin, A. Blackwood, M. Chambers, S. VanMeter, S. Michael, and A. Degnan. Absent were J. Kubeika and J. Brill. Guests present included M. Blizzard, A. Frey, and M. Wilson.

## Presentation/Discussion/Professional Development

Annual Financial Aid Presentation – Alicia Frey, Associate Director of Institutional Financial Aid, via Zoom.

A.Frey provided a presentation to the Board of Governors on the state of FY 25 financial aid and prospects for the future. Her presentation was later shared with the Board of Governors.

### \*Action Items:

- Approval of the Minutes: Meeting of March 27, 2025 On a Blackwood/Chambers motion, the minutes were approved with all in favor.
- Approval of AR 3.9 Special Topics Course Regulation *Informational*.
- Approval of BP 3.21 Credit-Hour Policy *On a VanMeter/Chambers motion, BP 3.21 was approved with all in favor.*
- Approval of BP 4.2 Student Academic Rights On a Michael/Blackwood motion, BP 4.2 was approved with all in favor.
- Approval of BP 3.15 Assessment of Student Academic Achievement On a Blackwood/VanMeter motion, BP 3.15 was approved with all in favor.
- Possible Executive Session Presidential Contract and Compensation (W. VA. Code §6-9A-4) On a VanMeter/Blackwood motion, the Board of Governors entered into Executive Session at 12:36pm with all in favor. Dr. Striplin left the room. On a VanMeter/Chambers motion, the Board of Governors exited Executive Session at 12:43pm with all in favor, and with no action taken. Dr. Striplin re-entered the room. On a Chambers/VanMeter motion, Dr. Striplin's two-year contract (FY 26 and FY 27) and presidential compensation (a 6% salary increase for FY 26 and a 6% salary increase for FY 27) was approved with all in favor.

# **Committee Reports**

**Board Chair-**Sheldon Arbaugh – *No report*.

Committees-

**Finance** – Trina Branson – *No report*.

## **College Representatives Reports**

### Staff-Ann Degnan -

- 1. Critical Thinking & Scientific and Quantitative Reasoning have been identified as the next sample data with data collection starting from the Fall 2024 term and thereafter.
- 2. Suggesting Faculty Senate include an agenda standing item for progress statements from group members on assessment responsibilities such as program reports to track and document improvements, identifying improvement areas, avoiding curriculum inconsistencies, and accumulating historical data as identified in Target Three of the Strategic Plan.
- 3. The 2025 Community Art Show is occurring from May 27<sup>th</sup> to June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Charles D. Terrell Art Gallery on our main campus; \$725 in prizes and awards are available.

### Faculty-Sherry Michael –

- Nathan Van Vranken has information to share from ACF, at the next faculty senate meeting.
- Registration has begun for the AI training with Auburn
- Faculty met with TNL Committee
- Dr. Striplin hosted the first Faculty Circle Discussion Group
- Faculty are preparing to finalize the Spring Semester and looking forward to the Summer Semester and the start of the Fall Semester
- Contract for the summer semester has been sent out by Ann Degnan for faculty to sign
- The Business Dept. is looking forward to a special topic for their summer course Money and Banking taught by Shirley Murphy
- Next Faculty Senate meeting will be held Friday April 25.

#### Student- Vacant

# Dr. Thomas Striplin, President

• Haven't met with the Chancellor in a few months – she's been busy with the Legislature and with presidential leadership issues at two WV CTC's.

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- Eastern's funding should remain similar to last year.
- DEI is gone, and In God We Trust with US flag must be displayed in public buildings.
- A May 2 meeting with the Chancellor has been scheduled.
- Tech Center transfers to CTC's was not passed by Legislature, but bill may return next year.
- Working on FY 26 budget.
- Have a Commencement speaker.

### Important Calendar Dates

 Commencement – Saturday, May 10, 2025 at 10:00am, Moorefield High School Auditorium

New Business/Miscellaneous

Next Scheduled Meeting: April 30, 2025 at 12:00 noon

Adjournment – On a Blackwood/Michael motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:01pm with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by M. O'Leary, recorder.

Sheldon W Arbaugh	04/30/2025
S. Arbaugh, Board Chair	Date