NWFSC Foundation Board of Directors Annual Meeting

May 3, 2022 8:00 a.m.

Morell Room 302, Student Success

Members Present:

Bo Arnold

Jim Bagby J.D. Peacock
Destin Cobb Brian Pennington

Jonathan Ochs

Todd Grisoff Steven Rhodes

Cindy Frakes Hu Ross
Teresa Halverson Stan Siefke

Bernard Johnson Devin Stephenson
Gordon King Ken Wampler
Don Litke Cecil Williams
Alan Wood

Staff Present:

Jennifer Bernich Conner Rogers Chris Stowers

Others Present:

Cristie Kedroski Deidre Price

Ray McGovern Whitney Rutherford
Shane O'Dell Jeanette Shires

Members Absent:

Christie Austin Kim Kirby

Michelle McGee Freeman Vincent Mayfield
Tyler Jarvis Rhonda Skipper
Dave Jefferson Heather Kilbey

Call to Order:

Dr. Arnold called the meeting to order at 8:46 a.m.

2023-2024 Slate of Officers and Directors:

Dr. Arnold presented the slate of officers and directors for 2023-2024. Six directors have been reappointed and five new directors will be joining our Board. Cindy Frakes has been nominated as Treasurer. Dr. Arnold's term has been extended by one as has Mr. Wood's for his term as Chair. **Motion to approve the 2023-24 Slate of Officers and Directors as presented Mr. Bagby; Second, Mr. Siefke. Motion carried unanimously.**

Adoption of 2023-2024 Foundation Meeting Schedule:

Dr. Arnold presented the 2023-24 NWFSC Foundation Board meeting schedule. Motion to approve the

2022-23 NWFSC Foundation meeting schedule as presented, Mr. Bagby Second, Mr. Pennington. Motion carried unanimously.

Foundation By-laws and Policies:

Dr. Arnold presented the bylaws and policies noting that copies can found on Foundation website as well as OnBoard. Motion to approve the By-laws and Policies, Mr. Pennington; Second, Mr. Bagby. Motion carried unanimously.

Foundation Annual Report:

Dr. Arnold spoke of the highlights of the Foundation. The Foundation provides \$2 million in support to the College. At 63 members, President's Circle has the highest number of members to date and the PC Tailgate event was a great success allowing members the chance to experience a varied program and attend a baseball game. The fall Scholars and Donors luncheon had a large turnout and the event continues to shine a light on students and the donors that provide financial support to the College. He noted new additions to the Foundation Staff, Conner Rogers, Director of Development, and Jennifer Bernich, Donor Relations and Communication Coordinator, and A'isha Cristobal, who has since left the Foundation. He highlighted the Voices of Northwest Florida and all they have accomplished to fund their upcoming trip to France.

Trustee Liaison Report:

Trustee Liaison Maj Gen Litke provided his report to the Board. He stated in have met three times since the last Board meeting and there were 22 action items in his initial report. The Trustees approved leasing pace to Congressman Matt Gaetz to house his district office in the Sikes Center in Crestview. The College has provided office space for other key elected officials in the past and it will be great to have our Congressman's district office in our facility. The Trustees approved leasing space to the Walton County Economic Development Alliance in the Chautauqua Center in DeFuniak Springs. This is a key strategic alliance for us as they seek to grow economic opportunities for Walton County. As part of the lease agreement, our President will now have a full-voting seat on the EDA Board. The Trustees approved the Mission, Vision, Guiding Principles, and Priority Themes for the NWFSC 2023-26 Strategic Plan. As the new strategic plan gets finalized, we're excited for how it will guide the College for the coming years. While there isn't really anything final to share, the Trustees continue to get regular updates about our partnership with Seacoast Collegiate High School on our South Walton Campus as well as the Raider Village student housing initiative. Finally, the Trustees continue to take actions of an administrative nature that impact the college. Items like approving updated policies, course handbooks, and closing programs and discontinuing courses.

College Report:

Dr. Stephenson provided a college report to the Board including the presentation he provided at the beginning of the fiscal year to show the college's successes. He stated this has been a great year in the Legislative session. The College sought \$5 million in additional operational support and received \$5.25 in recurring money. The equity funding formula is bringing in an additional \$2.23 million in recurring dollars. \$13.8 million was sought to renovate First Responder's Building, \$8.2 million has been allocated with another \$5.8 million forthcoming. \$990,000 was allocated for Health Sciences programs at the FWB campus. He mentioned that Board members will be instrumental in reaching out to Governor's

office when the time comes. He noted that the \$21 million renovation to the Nursing building continues and the final lease terms on housing are underway with a target move in date of Aug 2024.

Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Alan Wood, Chair

August 1, 2023
Date
8/1/23

Chris Stowers, Secretary

Date