MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mr. Sam Garrison, Chairperson
Rev. Bobby Crum
Ms. Leslie Dougher
Mr. Brian Keith
Mr. Jim Reid

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mr. Wendell Davis, Vice-Chairperson

OTHERS PRESENT:
Joe H. Pickens, J.D., Executive Secretary
Mr. Ron Brown, Attorney for the Board

The Board Budget Workshop was held in the Criminal Justice Multipurpose Room J-149 at the St. Augustine Campus and began at 2:00 p.m. Chairperson Garrison called the meeting to order.

Dr. Powers overviewed the agenda for the workshop. President Pickens stated that typically this is the meeting at which the Administration’s proposed budget would be presented, but there are a number of factors as to why this is not happening today. Another budget workshop will likely be scheduled in early June and the regular Board meeting date will change.

Dr. Powers gave a legislative recap on the items that will influence the FY 19-20 budget, including the $3M recurring workforce appropriation. President Pickens explained this further. Dr. Powers discussed the changes in performance funding. The College will not receive PECO deferred maintenance funding, which is about a $500K loss. She also discussed the impacts of SB 190.

Dr. Powers discussed the operating fund revenue resources.

Dr. Powers gave an update on the FY 18-19 expenses for career and technical education (CTE) program expansion. She discussed the plan for CTE program expansion into FY 19-20 using the nonrecurring carry forward dollars and the recurring new appropriation.

Dr. Powers discussed full-time positions and the operating fund for personnel.

Dr. Powers discussed the functional distribution of expenses as well as general expenditures.

Dr. Powers overviewed the Operating Budget Framework, noting it has not been finalized.

Dr. Powers next discussed grants and restricted funds, the auxiliary fund, and the plant/capital project (restricted) fund. President Pickens stated the Capital Improvement
Fee has not increased in seven (7) years. Dr. Powers noted the planned expenditures for the plant/capital project fund.

Chairperson Garrison stated there are several decision points on which the College Administration needs input from the Board. This will be added to the regular meeting agenda.

- Last year the Board agreed to allocate $1.5M of the nonrecurring $3M workforce appropriation to balance the FY 18-19 budget. However, only about $800K has actually been spent. Mr. Garrison discussed the possibility of using the remaining funds for a nonrecurring bonus to eligible employees (those not in the union organization bargaining unit).
- Mr. Garrison discussed the remaining FY 18-19 nonrecurring workforce funding, which is about $1M. He discussed allocating the funding for other nonrecurring workforce expenditures.
- Another point is allocation of the new recurring $3M workforce appropriation funding for FY 19-20.
- The fourth point is the possibility of a recurring salary increase for eligible employees that is separate from the bonus. However, a source for the additional funds needs to be identified. Mr. Garrison discussed the possibility of a transition in health insurance from PPO to HSA plans. Whatever funds are saved, allocate those to salary increases. It would be cost neutral to the College.

Chairperson Garrison adjourned the Workshop at 3:05 p.m.