

ST. JOHNS RIVER STATE COLLEGE
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD WORKSHOP

May 20, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Sam Garrison, Chairperson
Mr. Wendell Davis, Vice-Chairperson
Ms. Jan Conrad
Rev. Bobby Crum
Ms. Leslie Dougher
Mr. Brian Keith
Mr. Jim Reid

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

The workshop was held virtually via Blue Jeans for Trustees and live streamed via youtube.com/sjrstate for Public. (File saved at link: <https://youtu.be/5QoU7naR6wQ>)

Chairperson Garrison called the workshop to order at 1:00 p.m. It was noted that all Board members were present virtually.

Dr. Powers overviewed the agenda for the workshop. She discussed general operating fund revenues. She noted the Governor does not yet have the State budget proposed by the Legislature.

Dr. Powers discussed COVID-19 related effects on the budget including: distance education costs, additional licenses and technology infrastructure, facilities and custodial costs, State budget cuts, enrollment effects, and supplemental CARES Act grant funding. President Pickens discussed potential significant State budget cuts from the Legislature in the fall.

Dr. Powers overviewed CARES Act Funding and stated that Dr. Ellen Burns will cover this in detail during the Board Meeting.

Next, Dr. Powers discussed full-time positions and changes. President Pickens further explained position changes. Dr. Powers overviewed operating fund personnel comparisons. There are not any compensation adjustments included.

Dr. Powers overviewed Expenses by Function and Operating Expenditures by Category. Discussion followed regarding the significant increase in insurance, part of which is a nonrecurring assessment to replete the Florida College System Risk Management Consortium following expenses related to Hurricane Michael. Dr. Powers presented the Operating Budget Framework.

Dr. Powers discussed Grants and Restricted Funds, including Student Activity Fees. She discussed the Auxiliary Fund (Bookstore, Food/Vending, Thrasher-Horne Center) and the Plant/Capital Project Fund.

Appreciation was expressed by Board members for the conservative budget approach.

The Workshop was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.