

The Chair called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 and asked that everyone stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on the Ocala Campus. **CALL TO ORDER**

Members Present: Charlie Stone, Chair                      Joyce Brancato, Vice Chair                      **PRESENT**  
                                  Fred Roberts, Jr.                      Jose Juarez  
                                  Rusty Branson  
                                  James Henningsen, Board Secretary

Members Absent: Bill Edgar **ABSENT**

The Chair reported that the meeting had been properly noticed, the agenda was available one week prior to the meeting and there was a quorum present.

The Board recognized Coach Marty Smith for a career 1,000 wins in baseball at the February 7 game against S. Georgia State and presented him with a trophy for this exciting accomplishment. Coach Smith addressed the Board and was appreciative to the Board, staff and administration to allow him and his coaches to do what they do. **RECOGNITION**

The Board recognized the CF Director of Marketing and Public Relations, Rachel Cote and marketing team for the Gold Award from the National Council for Marketing & Public Relations for the Summer 2025 Connection Magazine. Rachel addressed the Board and commented she is thankful to have nationally ranked talent in Ocala and thankful for the staff and students to have so many wonderful stories to tell.

The Chair asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to address the Board. As there were no public comments, the Chair moved on to the next agenda item. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Chair asked for any corrections or updates to the minutes of the January 28, 2026 District Board of Trustees meeting. Hearing none, upon a motion by Trustee Durrance second by Trustee Brancato and unanimously carried, the Board approved the January 28, 2026 meeting minutes as presented and authorized the Chair and President to sign on behalf of the Board. **MINUTES**

## **CONSENT AGENDA** **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board was asked to approve of the Personnel Report as authorized by the President to fill positions by funding source. **Personnel Report**

The Board was asked to approve the property donations as entered into property records and as acknowledged by the Foundation. **Property Donations**

The Board was asked to approved curriculum changes as recommended from the Curriculum Committee from the January Curriculum meeting, which the President has recommended for approval. **Curriculum Changes**

The Board was asked to ratify approval of the College's academic and administrative calendar in support of the governor's directive to celebrate the nation's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary on February 16, 2026. **Academic and Administrative Calendar Change**

The Board was asked to review and accept the college's fraud prevention procedures and update with no instances or suspicions of fraud as established in policy 2.04. **Fraud Update**

The Board was asked to ratify approval of three (3) Health Care Affiliation & Internship Agreements and give authorization to the Board Chair and/or President to sign the agreements on behalf of the College of Central Florida.

**Health Care Affiliation & Internship Agreements**

The Board was asked to ratify approval of four (4) Agreement for Services of International Independent Contractors and give authorization to the President to sign the agreement on behalf of the College of Central Florida.

**Agreements for Services of International Independent Contractors.**

The Chair presented the Consent Agenda for approval. Upon a motion by Trustee Branson, second by Trustee Brancato and unanimously carried, the Board approved the items on the Consent Agenda. Copies of all materials relating to this portion of the agenda are on file in the President's office.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

The Chair announced the public hearing for policy and asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to address the Board regarding the policy. As there were no public comments, the Chair asked Dr. Viviano-Broderick, Vice President Institutional Effectiveness and College Relations to present the following Board policy for a first reading and give a brief summary:

**PUBLIC HEARING  
2.07 Accreditation and Substantive Change  
First Reading**

a. Accreditation and Substantive Change -

After discussion, the Chair accepted the policy for a first reading and authorized advertisement of the policy for approval.

**FOR APPROVAL**

Dr. Mark Paugh, Vice President of Academic Affairs presented the Academic Calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. With the installation of the new ERP of the college, we can project a calendar for two years for better planning for the students. The Board was asked to approve the proposed Academic calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. Upon approval, the calendar will be submitted to the Florida Department of Education, Division of Florida Colleges in accordance with State Board of Education Rules. Upon a motion by Trustee Brancato second by Trustee Branson and unanimously passed, the Board approved the Academic Calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

**Academic Calendar  
2026-2027 and 2027-  
2028**

Mr. Charles Prince, Vice President of Administration and Finance presented the administrative calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. The Board was asked to approve the proposed administrative calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 which aligns with the Academic Calendar for continuity with staff and faculty. Upon approval, the calendar will be submitted to the Florida Department of Education, Division of Florida Colleges in accordance with State Board of Education Rules. Upon a motion by Trustee Juarez, seconded by Trustee Roberts and unanimously passed, the Board approved the Administrative Calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

**Administrative  
Calendar 2026-2027  
and 2027-2028**

**ACKNOWLEDGE  
RECEIPT**

Mr. Prince, Vice President of Administration and Finance presented the Monthly Financial information Summary report for the month of January, noting once again that the increase in revenue to the increase is enrollment vs last year as well as the increase employee benefits costs are higher with the new State Health Insurance Program. The Chair acknowledged receipt of the Financial Information Monthly Financial Summary Report on behalf of the Board.

**Financial Information-  
Monthly Financial  
Summary Report**

FOR INFORMATION ONLY  
Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Viviano-Broderick, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness and College Relations presented the 2025-2030 strategic plan key indicators for the first year of implementing the 2025-2030 Strategic plan. This included Associates degree and Bachelor’s degree wages vs high school diploma, placement rates of graduates, enrollment, re-enrollment, completion rates and student loan debt for graduates. Discussion included comparison to peer colleges for completion rate, questions on student survey and wording of engagement vs. satisfaction and how shared with parents to see the value the college provides. Trustee Edgar played a vital role with his input on both the layout and the information presented.

Patriot Pride Update

Dr. Lawter, Vice President of Regional Campuses updated the Board on the Patriot Pride Survey. This past year, with 1227 surveys completed, the college has earned a 94.1% satisfaction level from students. This is our 9<sup>th</sup> year above 90%. There were 464 WOW cards sent out; largest number sent for recognition of employees. The college continues to review all surveys and comments.

CF Economic Impact

The Council of Presidents of the Florida College System sponsored a Lightcast study to determine the economic impact of the 28 colleges. The value of CF’s annual impact was assessed to be \$507.7 million to the local economy or equivalent of holding a Superbowl. The entire college system was determined to give a \$13.30 return on every dollar invested.

Legislative Update

Dr. Henningsen presented the Legislative update to the Board including the challenges that both chambers experienced with the budget and bills. A special session will occur in late April with redistricting and budget as priorities. The Board acknowledged receipt of the Legislative update.

There were no Trustee comments at this time.

BOARD CHAIR/TRUSTEE COMMENTS

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

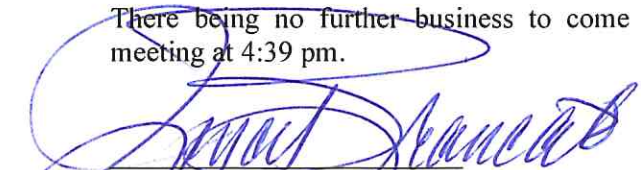
Dr. Henningsen presented the President’s Report to the board including Charles S. Dean Sr. memorial service held at the Wilton Simpson Citrus Campus, scouting banquet attended by CFO Blaise Ingoglia, PTK student recognition nationally, Night at the Farm and Family Campaign successes and 15 students attending the FCSSGA event in Tallahassee. A reminder of the ribbon cutting for EMS building 19 renovations on April 2 and a discussion of a few hiccups with the new J1 implementation that the team is working on diligently but as of today, financial aid was dispersed. More great news and stories of student and college happenings listed in the report for review.

Next Board Meeting

**Next Board Meeting.** Our next meeting will be held **Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 3 p.m.** at the Wilton Simpson Citrus Campus.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Stone adjourned the meeting at 4:39 pm.

  
Charlie Stone, Chair  
Joyce Brancato, Vice-Chair

  
James D. Henningsen, Secretary