College Board Meeting Minutes

Piedmont Virginia Community College Board
Meeting Number 316
May 6, 2026, 4:00 p.m.
PVCC Bolick Center, Event Space B

Attendance

Board Members Present:
Madison Cummings, Adrian Felts, Leslie Fravel, Chinta Gaston, Joyce Gooden, Delia Kloh, Carson Lewis, Robbie Morris, Nina Schoonover, Kristy Shifflett, Ann Vogelmann

Board Members Absent:
Haden Parrish

PVCC Representatives Present:
Gbemiga Adekunle, Maegan Bell, Shonny Cooke, Josh Fitzpatrick, Jenelle Francis, Katherine Hansen, Scott Jefferies, Leonda Keniston, Rebecca Parkhill, Andrew Renshaw, Brittany Resmann, Michael Reynolds, Jean Runyon, Adria Graham Scott, Harry Stillerman, Kim Van Savage, Nicole Winkler

PVCC Representatives Absent:
Susian Brooks

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Board Chair Robbie Morris called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

II. Public Comment

No public comment.

III. Consent Agenda

On a motion by Madison Cummings and seconded by Leslie Fravel, the Consent Agenda containing the March 4, 2026, College Board meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Recognitions and Introduction of New Employees

New employees Maegan Bell, Academic Advisor; Jenelle Francis, FastForward/G3 Career Coach; Katherine Hansen, Executive Director of Workforce Development & Corporate Partnerships; Michael Reynolds, Healthcare Lab Manager; and Adria Graham Scott, Community Outreach Specialist, were introduced to the Board. The Board gave them a warm welcome.

College Board member Chinta Gaston, representing the City of Charlottesville, was recognized for her eight years of service on the PVCC College Board. Ms. Gaston's term ends June 30, 2026. Chair Morris, President Runyon, and the College Board members thanked Ms. Gaston for her service.

V. Committee Reports

A. Community Relations Committee

1. College Board Service Award

Two members of the PVCC community received nominations for the College Board Service Award. The first nominee is Ali Akbar, PVCC's EMS Director, who was nominated by Dean Nicole Winkler. The second nominee is Akinwunmi Akanmu, a student at PVCC. Akinwunmi was nominated by the Director of Opportunity, Success, and Achievement, Ms. Amanda Key.

The Community Relations Committee requested both nominees receive the 2026 College Board Service Award in 2026. Each awardee will receive $300 and a plaque. The awardees will be invited to the September 2, 2026, College Board meeting, where they will be presented with their plaque.

On a motion by Community Relations Committee Chair Madison Cummings, the nominees and gift criteria were unanimously approved.

B. Curriculum Committee

1. Curriculum Advisory Committee Appointments

On a motion by Nina Schoonover, seconded by Ann Vogelmann, the appointments were unanimously approved.

2. Academic Programs

a). Industrial Electronics Technology, Electronics Engineering Technology Specialization, AAS (Discontinue).

Reasons for discontinuance of the program include low enrollment and limited industry demand. The Industrial Electronics Technology AAS program is sufficient to prepare students for the skills required in electronics manufacturing in our region. Skills from this specialization will be incorporated as a supplement in other courses.

On a motion by Nina Schoonover, seconded by Carson Lewis, the discontinuance was unanimously approved by the Board.

b). Electronics Technician, CSC (Discontinue)
Manufacturing industry trends in our region indicated that the Industrial Electronics Technology AAS alone is sufficient to prepare students for the skills required in electronics manufacturing.

On a motion by Adrian Felts, seconded by Carson Lewis, the discontinuance was unanimously approved by the Board.

c). Early Childhood Development.
The committee requested discontinuation of two Early Childhood Development Career Studies Certificate (CSC) programs, Infant & Toddler and Pre-school. The discontinued program will be replaced by one CSC in Early Childhood Development, which will be comprised of all 7-week asynchronous courses that can be completed in one semester.

On a motion by Adrian Felts, seconded by Carson Lewis, the Board unanimously agreed to discontinue the Infant & Toddler CSC and the Pre-school CSC and approve the new Early Childhood Development CSC.

d) Civic Engagement (CE) graduation requirement (for information).
This course, originally part of PVCC's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), has become a barrier that negatively impacts completion and graduation rates. Removing the requirement while retaining the CE designation where appropriate should increase credential attainment and assure that the benefits of CE courses remain available to students.

e) Two programs, Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging, will be brought forward in the fall for College Board approval to discontinue these programs.

Board members had questions regarding program approvals and discontinuances. Program reviews are conducted on all programs every two years. Graduation rates, enrollment trends, industry standards, and locality needs are among items considered when programs are reviewed. President Runyon proposed adding the program review process to an upcoming College Board meeting.

C. Finance & Building Committee

1. Local Funds Budget 2026-2027 (FY27)
The local funds budget is a combination of funds allocated by each county. Allocations are based on the number of enrolled students per county. The local funds budget also includes commissions from vendor services.
On a motion by Finance & Building Committee Chair Chinta Gaston, seconded by Kristy Shifflett, the FY27 Local Funds Budget was unanimously approved.

2. Auxiliary Parking Plan. On a motion by Madison Cummings, seconded by Kristy Shifflett, the Auxiliary Parking Plan was unanimously approved.

VI. President's Report

A. Cabinet Updates. Of note are several awards recently presented to PVCC colleagues.

The American Association of Community Colleges recognized PVCC and UVA's Earn While You Learn program as one of six national Awards of Excellence finalists.

At the VCCS New Horizons conference, PVCC faculty and staff received four of the five awards, as follows:

- Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence - *Dr. Jennifer Tomás*
- Chancellor's Award for Student Services Excellence - *Debbie Ashby*
- George B. Vaughan Leadership Award for Outstanding Adjunct Faculty - *Elsa Spencer*
- Excellence in Education Awards - *PVCC/UVA Earn While You Learn program*

President Runyon also mentioned award events at PVCC, including the Student Academic and Leadership Awards ceremony and the Baber Leadership ceremony.

B. Data Highlight: 2025-2026 Graduation Profile. Preliminary numbers indicate 850 graduates earning at least one degree, certificate, or CSC. With several students earning more than one credential, an estimated 948 credentials were awarded this academic year.

VII. Chair's Report

A. College Board Retreat Date

The Board unanimously agreed to hold the retreat on September 2, 2026, from 2-4 p.m., with the College Board meeting following at 4 p.m.

Retreat topics may include College Board input on the Campus Master Plan, Community College 3.0, and the PVCC website redesign.

B. The College Board reviewed a summary of commencement events.

VIII. Other

No additional topics were presented.

IX. Information Items include media highlights.

X. Executive Session

A. For the purpose of a request to convey land to the Real Estate Foundation (for action) and PVCC's Crisis and Emergency Management Plan* (CEMP) (for action)

B. Motion to enter closed session

In accordance with §2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, Chair Morris moved that the College Board convene in closed session to discuss matters relating to real estate. He also moved that, in accordance with §2.2-3705.2 of the Code of Virginia, the College Board convene in closed session to discuss matters relating to the College's Crisis and Emergency Plan.*

Actions:

During closed session, the CEMP was unanimously approved on a motion by Chair Morris which was seconded by Madison Cummings.

During the closed session, the real estate request was unanimously approved on a motion by Adrian Felts which was seconded by Leslie Fravel.

C. Upon a motion by Madison Cummings ,which was seconded by Carson Lewis, a roll call vote was taken to return to open session, as follows:

Madison Cummings	-	For
Adrian Felts	-	For
Leslie Fravel	-	For
Chinta Gaston	-	For
Joyce Gooden	-	For
Haden Parrish	-	Absent
Delia Kloh	-	For

Carson Lewis	-	For
Diantha McKeel	-	Abstain (Note: As Ms. McKeel's term on the College Board begins July 1, 2026, she is currently a non-voting member).
Robbie Morris	-	For
Nina Schoonover	-	For
Kristy Shifflett	-	For
Ann Vogelmann	-	For

Total Votes:

- For: 11
- Against: 0
- Absent: 1
- Abstain: 1

XI. Adjournment There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Jean M. Runyon, President and Secretary to the Board

Approved by: Robbie Morris, Chair of the Board