BELMONT COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes of May 22, 2025

The regular meeting of the Belmont College District Board of Trustees was held at 6:00 p.m., on May 22, 2025, at Belmont College in the Board room.

Call to Order	Mrs. Gates, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
Roll Call	Allison Anderson – Absent Cory DelGuzzo – Present Elizabeth Gates – Present Mark Macri – Present Richard Myser - Present Anita Rice – Absent Mark Romick - Absent Melissa Smithberger - Present Matt Steele - Present There being a quorum, the meeting proceeded.
Attendance	Carrie White, Bridgette Dawson, Heather Davis, Janet Sempkowski, Leroy Gifford, Dr. Paul Gasparro and Kristy Kosky.
Introduction of Visitors	Mrs. Gates introduced Leroy Gifford from BHM CPA group.
Approval of Agenda	Mrs. Gates pulled consent agenda items C-1, 2025-2026, Budget, C-4, FY 2024-2025 Audit, D-1, Election of Officers, D-2, Election of Executive Committee, D-3, Heritage Tree Nominations, D-4, Foundation Board Representative, and D-6, Employee Emeritus for further discussion. Mrs. Gates then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. DelGuzzo motioned, seconded by Mr. Steele, to approve the agenda. All ayes; motion carried.
Oath of Office	Mr. Myser administered the Board of Trustees Oath of Office to Mrs. Gates and Mr. DelGuzzo, for reelection to a three year term.
Approval of Minutes	Mrs. Gates asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2025 meeting.

Dr. Macri motioned, seconded by Mrs. Smithberger, to approve the minutes of the March 2025 meeting.
Ayes; Mrs. Gates, Dr. Macri, Mr. Myser, Mrs. Smithberger, Mr. Steele.
Abstain; Mr. DelGuzzo.
Ayes have the majority; motion carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mrs. Gates asked for a motion to approve the remaining items on the consent agenda.

Mr. Steele motioned, seconded by Dr. Macri, to approve the remaining items consent agenda.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item C-1 2025-2026 Budget

Dr. Gasparro and Janet Sempkowski provided an overview of the proposed budget.

Mrs. Gates asked for a motion to approve agenda item C-1, 2025-2026 Budget.

Dr. Macri motioned, seconded by Mr. DelGuzzo, to approve the 2025-2026 budget as submitted.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item C-4 FY2024-2025 Audit

Mr. Leroy Gifford from BHM CPA group presented the FY2024-2025 Audit report.

Mrs. Gates asked for a motion to approve agenda item C-4, FY2024-2025 Audit.

Mr. Steele motioned, seconded by Mrs. Smithberger, to approve the FY2024-2025 Audit.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item D-1 Election of Officers

Mrs. Gates opened the floor for nominations for officers.

Mr. DelGuzzo nominated, seconded by Mr. Myser, the following slate of Officers for the Belmont College Board of Trustees for the 2025-2026 term:

Elizabeth Gates – Chair
Dr. Mark Macri – Vice Chair
Dr. Paul Gasparro – Secretary
Ms. Janet Sempkowski – Treasurer

Mr. Gates asked if there were any other nominations for the slate of Officers for the Board of Trustees for the 2025-2065 term.

There being no further nominations for the slate of Officers for the Board of Trustees for the 2025-2026 term, Mr. DelGuzzo motioned to close the nominations and elect the slate of Officers as nominated. Mr. Myser seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken for Chair.
Ayes; Mr. DelGuzzo, Dr. Macri, Mr. Myser, Mrs. Smithberger, Mr. Steele.
Nays; none.
Abstain; Mrs. Gates.
Ayes have the majority. Motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken for Vice Chair.
Ayes; Mr. DelGuzzo, Mrs. Gates, Mr. Myser, Mrs. Smithberger, Mr. Steele.
Nays; none.
Abstain; Dr. Macri.
Ayes have the majority. Motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken for Secretary.
All ayes; motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken for Treasurer.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item D-2 Election of Executive Committee

Mrs. Gates asked opened the floor for nominations for the Executive Committee for the 2025-2026 term.

Mr. DelGuzzo nominated Mr. Romick, Mrs. Rice, and Dr. Macri for the Executive Committee 2025-2026 term.

There being no further nominations for the Executive Committee for the 2025-2026 term, Mrs. Gates asked for a motion to elect Mr. Romick, Mrs. Rice and Dr. Macri for the Executive Committee 2025-2026 term.
All ayes; motion carried.

Mr. DelGuzzo motioned, seconded by Mrs. Smithberger.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item D-3 Heritage Tree Nominations

The Board discussed agenda item D-3, Heritage Tree Nominations. Dr. Macri made a motion to nominate Mrs. Gates to the Heritage Tree. Mr. Myser seconded the motion.
All ayes; motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item D-4 Foundation Board Representative	The floor was opened for nominations for the representative to the Foundation Board. Mrs. Gates nominated Mr. Myser, seconded by Dr. Macri. All ayes; motion carried.
Consent Agenda Item D-6 Employee Emeritus	Dr. Heather Davis asked the Board for consideration of Dr. Ben Hitt for the title of Professor Emeritus. Mr. Steele motioned, seconded by Mr. DelGuzzo. All ayes; motion carried.
Presidents Report	Kristy Kosky provided an update on the Industrial Trades Building. Dr. Carrie White provided updates on the Radiology Department and the potential MOU with WVU Medicine and Jennifer Bond filling the Director role. Dr. Heather Davis provided updates Motorcycle Ohio Grant, summer workforce classes, the new strategic plan, maintenance training/management program(s) and the Civil Rights audit/visit. Bridgette Dawson provided an update on the Jefferson County Trustees Scholarship applications, an enrollment update and stated that we will be holding six orientation dates over the summer.
Comments from the Chair	Mrs. Gates announced that the June 26, 2025 meeting is cancelled.
Next Meeting	August 16, 2025 Board Retreat/Evaluation of the President ATC – Board Room 9:00 a.m.
Adjournment	Mrs. Gates adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Elizabeth F. Gates

Elizabeth F. Gates, Chair

Paul F. Gasparro

Paul F. Gasparro, President

Date Approved: 9/25/25