

**PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**Board of Governors Meeting**

**Thursday, January 9, 2025  
5:30 PM**

**Pierpont's Advanced Technology Center (ATC)  
500 Galliher Drive  
Fairmont, WV 26554  
Room 216A**

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**MINUTES**

**Notice of Meeting**

A special meeting of the Pierpont Community & Technical College (Pierpont) Board of Governors was held on January 9, 2025, beginning at 5:30 PM. The meeting was conducted in person at the Advanced Technology Center in Fairmont, WV. Advanced announcement of this meeting was posted on the WV Secretary of State's Meeting Notices Webpage.

**I. Call to Order**

David Hinke, Chair, called the meeting to order in open session at 5:30 PM.

**II. Roll Call**

Amanda Hawkinberry conducted a roll call:

| <b>Name</b>       | <b>Present/Not Present</b> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Jessica Barker    | Present                    |
| Thomas Cole       | Present                    |
| Vickie Findley    | Present                    |
| David Hinkle      | Present                    |
| Anthony Hinton    | Present                    |
| Lisa Lang         | Present                    |
| Christine Miller  | Present                    |
| Juanita Nickerson | Present                    |
| Jeffrey Powell    | Present                    |
| Joanne Seasholtz  | Present                    |
| Nathan Weese      | Present                    |

Amanda Hawkinberry announced there was a quorum present.

*Others Present:*

Members of President's Cabinet, faculty, and others

**III. Conflict of Interest**

David Hinkle requested Board members to examine the agenda and disclose any potential conflicts of interest.

#### **IV. Introduction of New Board Member**

Vickie Findley has been elected to serve as the Faculty Senate Representative on the Board of Governors. Vickie has been a dedicated employee of Pierpont for 33 years and has held various significant positions throughout her tenure, including Faculty Senate President and Dean of Health Careers. She is currently serving as the Program Coordinator for the Health Sciences Program.

#### **V. Executive Session – Closed Session**

##### *A. Entering Executive Session – Closed Session*

Lisa Lang moved that the Board go into Executive Session in accordance with WV Code §6-9A-4. Anthony Hinton seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion Carried.

Items brought into Executive Session:

1. Review, Discuss, and Approve Hiring Offers
2. Review, Update, and Approve Advance Planning for A&P Building
3. Review, Discuss, and Approve Reassignment of Employee Duties
4. Review, Discuss, and Approve Ongoing Evaluations of Employees
5. Review, Discuss and Approve Reassignment of Board of Governor Duties

##### *B. Exiting Executive Session – Back to Open Session*

Thomas Cole moved to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session. Jessica Barker seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

##### *C. Items brought forward from Executive Session*

Anthony Hinton moved to approve the separation agreement. Christine Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Anthony Hinton moved to name an interim President on or before January 21, 2025. Juanita Nickerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Anthony Hinton initially moved to explore executive coaching for Pierpont staff. Juanita Nickerson seconded the motion. After further discussion, Anthony Hinton amended his



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motion to explore executive coaching specifically for executive staff at Pierpont. Juanita Nickerson seconded the amended motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**VI. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Thomas Cole moved to adjourn the meeting. Juanita Nickerson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted by Amanda N. Hawkinberry*



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