#### HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE 70 Sip Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07306

#### Regular Meeting - Board of Trustees

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

5:00 P.M.

#### Mary T. Norton Board Room and Via Zoom

In-Person: Mary T. Norton Board Room, 4th Floor, 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey

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#### **AGENDA**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER - FLAG SALUTE

Chair Peña

#### II. ROLL CALL AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

#### Trustees:

Lisa Camacho, Student Alumni Representative Edward DeFazio, Secretary/Treasurer Joseph Doria Frank Gargiulo Stacy Gemma Roberta Kenny Vincent Lombardo Jeanette Peña, Chair Christopher Reber, President (Ex Officio) Silvia Rodriguez Harold Stahl Frances Teabout

Dr. Reber

Chair Peña

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III.	СОММ	COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC Chair Peña			
IV.	<b>CLOSED SESSION</b> (The Board of Trustees will determine whether there is a need to go into closed session at the beginning of the meeting. If there is such a determination, an announcement will be made as to where the session will be placed on the agenda.)				
V.	REPOR	RTS			
	1.	Student Government Association President's Report	Ms. Khajamohideen		
	2.	All College Council Chair's Report	Mr. Youssef		
	3.	President's Report	Dr. Reber		
VI.	REGUL	AR MONTHLY REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS			
	1.	Minutes of Previous Meetings			
	2.	Gifts, Grants, and Contracts			
VII.	FISCAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, LEASE, AND CAPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS Dr. Reber				
VIII.	PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS Dr. Reber				

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS RECOMMENDATIONS

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**NEW BUSINESS** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

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#### II. ROLL CALL

Trustees:	
Lisa Camacho, Student Alumni Representative	
Edward DeFazio, Secretary/Treasurer	
Joseph Doria	
Frank Gargiulo	
Stacy Gemma	
Roberta Kenny	
Vincent Lombardo	
Jeanette Peña, Chair	
Christopher Reber, President, Ex Officio	
Silvia Rodriguez	
Harold Stahl	
Francis Teabout	

This meeting is called in conformance with the "Open Public Meetings Act." A notice of the meeting of the Board of Trustees was transmitted to all Board members; advertised in <u>The Star Ledger</u> and <u>NJ.com</u>; filed with each office of the Hudson County Municipal Clerks; posted on the College Website and on Public Bulletin Boards of Hudson County Community College at 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey, and at the North Hudson Campus, Union City, New Jersey, stating the date, time and place of said meeting.

#### **MEETING INTRODUCTION**

This meeting is called in conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members of the public will now have an opportunity to address the Board of Trustees. Comments of each person will be limited to five minutes, including all responses. A member of the public may not provide any portion of his/her five-minute allotment to any other member of the public. Please be aware that the purpose of the public portion of the meeting is for the public to express any ideas, concerns or issues they may have concerning Hudson County Community College. Questions raised to the Board during the public comment period may be referred to the appropriate administrative person(s) at the College for response at a later time.

Any public comments made to the Board, which the Board considers obscene, harassing, or meant to incite, will be prevented by the Board. The person making these remarks may be required to relinquish the remaining time allotted to speak and will be asked to leave the Board of Trustees meeting. Public comments or questions are open to any matters over which the Board has purview and jurisdiction.

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#### III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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IV. CLOSED SESSION

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

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#### V. REPORTS

- 1. Student Government Association President's Report (R. Khajamohideen)
- 2. All College Council Chair's Report (B. Youssef)
- 3. President's Report (C. Reber)

Early College Presentation

Dr. Christopher Conzen

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

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#### VI. REGULAR MONTHLY REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 16, 2025 are herewith submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval. (Page 9)

#### Recommendation:

It is the recommendation of the President that the Board of Trustees accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 16, 2025.

#### **RESOLUTION**:

<b>ED</b> that the Board of Trus	tees accept Item VI., Regular Monthly Reports and
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Regular Meeting – Board of Trustees Tuesday, September 16, 2025 5:00 P.M., In Person and Via Zoom

#### **MINUTES**

PRESENT: Lisa Camacho (Alumni Representative); Edward DeFazio (Secretary/Treasurer); Frank Gargiulo;

Stacy Gemma; Jeanette Peña (Chair); Christopher Reber; Frances Teabout; Silvia Rodriguez; and

Harold Stahl.

Counsel to the Board: David Blank, Esq., for Scarinci and Hollenbeck

ABSENT: Roberta Kenny; Joseph Doria; and Vincent Lombardo.

I. CALL TO ORDER - FLAG SALUTE

II. ROLL CALL

III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

IV. CLOSED SESSION - None

V. REPORTS

#### 1. Student Government Association President's Report

Student Government Association President Rifaya Dubash Khajamohideen offered the following report.

Good evening, everyone. My name is Rifaya Dubash Khajamohideen, and I'm in my sophomore year at Hudson County Community College. I'm very honored to serve as the President of the Student Government Association (SGA) for the 2025-2026 academic year.

I'm excited to begin this new year alongside my fellow student leaders, and I want to thank you for the opportunity to represent the student body.

I'd like to introduce two of my executive board members who are here with me today: Aaron Garcia and Anu Bisht.

SGA Secretary and Director of Record Keeping Aaron Garcia offered remarks.

Hi, Board of Trustees. My name is Aaron Garcia. I'm the Secretary and Director of Record Keeping for SGA. I'm also a peer leader for the 2025-2026 academic year, and I run a club called the Student Programming Board (SPB). Thank you.

SGA Senator Anu Bisht offered remarks.

Hi, Trustees and everyone. My name is Anu. I'm an accounting major and a second-year student here. I'm a senator in the Student Government Association. I'm also the Secretary of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society and President of the Honors Student Council. The collaboration between SGA and PTK is allowing us to install water-based bidets in the accessible restrooms across our campuses. Thank you so much.

SGA President Rifaya Dubash Khajamohideen resumed remarks.

This fall semester has started with great momentum. In August, over 62 student leaders attended our HCCC Club and Organization Leadership Training Day, where we learned about event planning, teamwork, and the importance of leadership on campus. It was an inspiring way to start the year, and we're excited to put those lessons into action.

We're also looking forward to our upcoming Fall Involvement Fairs, which provide students an opportunity to connect with clubs and organizations. These events are taking place this week and next week on both campuses.

The American Chemical Society, advised by Professor Raffi Manjikan, attended the Bergen Community College STEM Symposium this summer. Students learned about STEM majors in higher education, explored transfer opportunities from two-year to four-year college STEM programs, and gained insights into enhancing success in STEM careers.

Our Society of Physics Students will attend the National Astronomy and Physics Conference from October 28 to November 1.

PTK is working on their College Project in collaboration with the SGA, which proposes installing bidets in accessible restrooms to promote inclusion and sustainability.

The Honors in Action Project will explore how stories are told, comparing traditional storytelling with social media across cultures.

Upcoming events from our clubs include a Know Your Rights workshop with pro bono lawyers, Multicultural Day, Conversation Cafés, semester kickoff events, and Hispanic Heritage Month programming. These programs reflect the diversity, creativity, and dedication of our students.

This year, the SGA is committed to amplifying student voices on campus, fostering inclusion, and building a strong sense of community across HCCC. We look forward to collaborating with faculty, staff, and administration to ensure our students have the best possible experience.

Thank you again for your time and support. We are proud to represent the student body today, and I look forward to sharing updates throughout the year.

#### 2. All College Council Chair's Report

All College Council Chair Fernando Garcia offered the following report.

Good evening, everyone. It's an exciting new start to the academic year for the All College Council following the recent elections over the past couple of months. During the summer, we held a retreat to bring everyone together and transition from the old team to the new one. I'd like to begin by introducing the new executive team: Benedetto Youssef is our Vice Chair, and Registrar Irma Williams is our fantastic Secretary, she truly does it all.

We warmly welcome the new members and are excited to collaborate with the board, administration, and the new SGA. In August, the College held a service day, convocation, and our first official meeting of the new All College Council. We've established several key priorities for the term, including updates and changes to the Council Charter, which we're addressing through a newly formed task force.

We're also reorganizing our committees to ensure the Council operates as efficiently and effectively as possible, meeting the needs of both students and faculty. Our September meeting will be held in person at the North Hudson campus, and we're thrilled to begin engaging with the community there.

We have a broad agenda for this term, which I'll share in more detail at our next meeting. For now, I'm excited that we're here and ready to work with all constituents and stakeholders. Thank you.

#### 3. President's Report

President Reber offered the following report.

Good evening, Trustees, HCCC family members, and friends.

Before I begin, I ask you to join me in a moment of silence for victims of war and violence in the Middle East, Eastern Europe, India and Pakistan, Africa, and other parts of the world.

Moment of Silence.

Thank you.

We condemn violence and hatred of all kinds, including racism, antisemitism, and Islamophobia.

We support one another in times of difficulty and are committed to a community that is respectful of – and safe for – everyone.

This evening, I join you virtually from the offices of the American Association of Community Colleges in Washington, DC, where Dr. Nicholas Chiaravalloti and I are attending an "Advocates in Action" convening and hearing from speakers, leaders of government, and our community college sector about the federal political landscape and nationwide advocacy for community colleges.

Rifaya, thank you for your report, and welcome to your new role as president of the Student Government Association! We look forward to your monthly reports and hearing about the always exciting activities of SGA this year!

And, Fernando, thank you also for your report. We look forward to hearing from you at each board meeting about the important work of the All College Council.

Trustees and others, I am especially sorry not to be with you at the college this evening to celebrate and thank former trustee Pamela Gardner. We thank Pamela for her years of service as a trustee and former board officer.

As we all know, Pam has made a transformative impact on the college's growth, development, outcomes, and points of pride. Her appointment to the board expired recently, but we are grateful Pam continues to serve the college as chair of the HCCC African American Community Outreach Committee, and she plans to remain involved in the life of the college. Just last week, Pam participated in the spectacular multiple event kickoff celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and she attended our fourth annual 9-11 Memorial Commemoration.

Pam has served as a trustee since 2017. During her time as trustee, Pam represented HCCC and all community colleges in the Northeastern United States as an elected member of the Association of Community College Trustees Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. She also represented the Board of Trustees at regular meetings of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges, and she served with me on the NJCCC Federal and State Policy Committee in addition to so many other involvements in support of the college, our students, and the community.

For several years, Pam served the board as secretary/treasurer, followed by vice chair, and she chaired the Board Committee on Academic and Student Affairs in addition to serving on the Personnel Committee.

Members of the HCCC family, please join me in thanking Pamela Gardner for her exemplary leadership, guidance, advocacy, and support!

Pam, the trustees have a plaque for you that reads: "Pamela Gardner, Dedicated Trustee and Vice Chair, From Your Friends at Hudson County Community College. YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE! November 2017-June 2025"

In addition, the trustees have purchased a lifetime membership for you in the Association of Community College Trustees, enabling you to continue participating in all ACCT activities including the upcoming ACCT Leadership Congress that will be held next month in New Orleans, where the college will be presented two awards.

And, Pam, on this evening's board agenda is a resolution naming you HCCC Trustee Emerita in recognition of all you have done and continue to do to support this college's inspirational mission.

Chair Pena is presenting these to you, and I now turn this over to her for remarks, after which we will invite others who wish to speak, followed by your remarks, Pam.

Chair Peña offered remarks.

I want to talk about Pam, the person.

In light of everything happening in the world today, and the environment we're living in, I want to thank Pam. Thank you for being a friend, a trustee, and a colleague I've had the privilege of working with.

Pam and I didn't always see eye to eye, but the respect Pam showed me, and the respect I showed her in return, meant a great deal. Even when we disagreed, I valued what she had to say. And for that, I'm grateful. Thank you for the person you've always been here and I'm glad you're still around.

Shirley Fields and Patricia Jackson of Seniors on the Move offered remarks.

We came here to support our friend, Pamela Gardner. She's the best coordinator you could ever have, truly the best. Pam, thank you for being present for the community. Whenever we need help or service, Pam shows up. Thank you so much. We love you, and we'll continue working with you.

Reverend Dr. Dorthy Patterson of Wallace Temple AME Zion Church offered remarks.

It is because of Trustee Pamela Gardner that I'm part of the African American Outreach Committee here at Hudson County Community College. To me, she exemplifies commitment. She's creative, she's active, and she takes what she does seriously. She's not someone who works alone or seeks credit for herself. She brings people together so we can all work collectively. Because of her, Hudson feels like home to me. And I understand what that means; it's a unified body of people coming together to educate and uplift one another. You've done so much more than I can say here, Pam. The people in this room don't represent all the lives you've touched, whether in the community or among students. This room wouldn't be big enough to hold them all. You're not a selfish person, you collaborate with others, even when you don't agree, because you understand the cause is bigger than any one person. I'm grateful to call you a friend. God bless.

Lisa Harris of African American Outreach Committee and Delta Sigma Theta ( $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$ ) Sorority Inc. offered remarks.

Pamela Gardner has been my mentor since childhood. Then we became sisters as part of a sorority. Now she has introduced me to the African American Community Outreach Committee here at the college and we continue to work together. I'm standing in for our chapter president LaTonya White, who's on her way. I'm also a proud member of  $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$  Sorority Incorporated, a public service sorority founded in 1913 at Howard University. LaTonya wanted me to wish you the very best on behalf of all 355 members of the North Jersey Alumnae Chapter of  $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$ .

Reverend Dr. Bertha Reels of Higher Dimension World Ministry offered remarks.

Good evening, everyone. Pam is my secret weapon. Whether I'm going through tough times or celebrating good ones, she's always someone I can talk to. Sometimes, even pastors need someone to talk to, and Pam has been that person for me. Thank you, Pam. Thank you for being a friend, a sister, a mentor, and for holding onto my secrets. God bless you.

Dr. Yeurys Pujols offered remarks.

Good evening, Madam Chairwoman, trustees, students, faculty, staff, and friends.

Today, I want to add my voice to those recognizing Trustee Pamela Gardner as someone I'm proud to call a friend. I feel truly fortunate that, through my role at the college, I've had the honor of working closely with her in many different areas. I'll take a moment to list just a few, though some may overlap with what President Reber already mentioned.

Back in 2020, we saw a clear need to do more in recruiting Black and African American students. That's when the African American Community Outreach Committee was formed. Pamela Gardner and I have organized every agenda and officiated every meeting since then. It's been a pleasure working with her. This group has brought together faith and community leaders to support higher education and credential attainment for Black and African American students, and all students.

Over the years, Pamela and I, along with Chris Reber and other community members, have presented at four or more national conferences of the Association of Community College Trustees. We've spoken on

topics like college priorities; diversity, equity, and inclusion; professional development; and the role of trustees.

Pamela Gardner, Dr. Wakefield, Dr. Yearwood, and I also presented an encore of one of our sessions at the recent Social Justice Symposium. Pamela was also instrumental in launching our annual Juneteenth celebration. This year marked our fourth annual program, and every time we finish a successful event, we ask ourselves, "How do we go bigger? How do we do better?" And every year, we do, thanks to her.

Working with Pamela has also introduced me to some incredible people making a difference in our community. You've heard from some of them tonight: Lisa Harris; Brenda Beaufort; Reverend Dorothy Patterson; Reverend Bertha Reels, founder of Sarah's Daughter Domestic Violence Prevention Center; and Shirley Fields from Seniors on the Move. It's always a pleasure to see you all. I know I can't list everything Pamela has done for the college; there's just not enough time. But I want to say thank you. Your presence makes things better. You make a difference. Thank you.

Andrea Gardner, sister of the Trustee Emerita and of  $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$  Sorority Inc., offered remarks.

I'd be remiss if I didn't say something about all that Pam has done for this college. When Pam is involved in something, it becomes a full-time commitment. You can end up volunteering without even realizing it, because if Pam knows you well, you're already recruited. She always has something meaningful she wants to do, and she brings people along with her. I thank the college for acknowledging all that she's done. But truly, you don't know the half of it. When Pam is involved, she's really involved. Whether it's the key program, a committee, or any initiative. She gives her all and always strives to make everything she touches the very best it can be. Pam is a gem. Thank you for everything you've done for the college – and for everything you continue to do. We love you.

Trustee Emerita Pamela Gardner offered remarks.

That was a lot, thank you.

You know, we always hear the phrase, "Give them their flowers while they can still smell them." Well, I can smell these flowers, and I thank you all so much. I'm grateful to everyone who came out to support me.

Over the years, I've brought many of you into the college for different events and initiatives, and you've always shown up. You love this college and all that we do, and I truly appreciate your support.

Thank you, Dr. Reber. Thank you to the Board of Trustees. I've truly enjoyed working with you.

Thank you, Jeanette, for your kind words. No, we didn't always agree, but we always respected one another because that's how we were raised, which is "do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Love one another. Strive to make things better. Leave the world better than you found it." That's what I've tried to do, and I hope I've succeeded.

And I'm not finished yet.

I'm humbled and honored to be named Trustee Emerita. I'm also grateful for the lifetime membership in the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT). Through that organization, I've met so many wonderful trustees from across the country. We worked together and did some great things. Some trustees were appointed, like I was, and others were elected. But we all came together with a shared understanding of the importance of community colleges nationwide.

I'm thankful for everyone who sent me a text, called, or reached out in any way. Even our New Jersey Council of County Colleges president, Dr. Aaron Fichtner, sent me a kind email expressing his appreciation for my work.

I want to thank our former Chair, William Netchert, for his encouraging words, and our former Vice Chair, my friend and Omega brother, Bakari Lee. Bakari showed me how to be a good trustee. He led by example and encouraged me to get involved with ACCT, attend workshops, and learn about governance and leadership.

I also want to thank Dr. Phil Linfante, who believed I'd be a good fit for the Northeast Region Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. I was elected twice, once in a contested race against a fine gentleman from Maryland, and once unopposed. I served for four wonderful years.

Thank you to everyone who's here tonight. You've already heard about the members of our African American Community Outreach Committee. They're pastors, community advocates, entrepreneurs, Urban League and NAACP members, and educators. I'm thankful to have my Trinity Lutheran Church family here, and members of the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens. Seniors on the Move are always here, they're always moving and always supporting this college. And of course, my sisters from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated, North Jersey Alumnae Chapter.

Thank you for all you've done. I've been a member for 54 years, and I've worked hard, but we don't do it for ourselves or for recognition. We do it for our communities. We've given scholarships, built sisterhood, and served in countless ways.

I've been blessed to be part of this board. It's been a wonderful experience. This college offers so many outstanding programs and opportunities to help our students move forward, and in doing so, it moves all of us forward. I'm proud to have played a small part in our college's mission.

I just want to leave you with this: It's always the right time to do the right thing. Many of you may know the poem that hung in Mother Teresa's home, titled 'Do It Anyway.' Part of it reads: "If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway. What you spend years creating, others may destroy overnight. Create anyway." My friends, keep doing phenomenal things for our students. Work each day to make this world a better place. Education is the answer. May God bless all of you in your future endeavors. I appreciate each and every one of you. Thank you so very much.

Tamieka Philips, Vice President of the North Jersey Alumni Chapter,  $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$  Sorority Inc., offered remarks.

On behalf of North Jersey Alumni Chapter, I am the first Vice President. Our president, LaTonya White, is on her way here. But I want to acknowledge her, and let you know that we support you, we congratulate you, and we love you, Pam.

#### Trustee Stahl offered remarks.

Pam and I served together for quite a few years now. And from a fellow trustee's point of view, I want to express my sincere thanks for everything you've done. You've helped advance the college in meaningful ways. Your hard work has put us on the map, not just locally, but across the country. That's something truly appreciated. We may have only had a few sit-downs, fireside chats over the years, but they were memorable. Pam, God bless you. Thank you for all you've done, for all you continue to do, and for making both the Board and the college shine, because they do, thanks to your dedication. Thank you.

LaTonya White, President of North Jersey Alumni Chapter of  $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$ , arrived and offered remarks.

Congratulations, Pam! Thank you for always being a great role model as to what a woman and a servant needs to look like, and for being here for me. You've been here for me for the past few months for something very significant, and I want to be here for you, too. On behalf of all of Deltas, thank you.

President Reber offered closing remarks.

Thank you, everyone!

Trustees, before I conclude, I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge last Tuesday's phenomenal kickoff events of the college's year-long celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of HCCC's first graduates!

More than 600 students, faculty, staff, alumni, trustees, Foundation directors, elected officials, partners, community members and friends participated in the events that began on the first floor of Gabert Library, continued in the Dineen Hull Gallery and on the sixth floor Library Veranda, permeated the Student Center, and later culminated in music, singing, dancing, and a champagne toast in the Culinary Plaza Park.

Highlights included the presentation of Heart of Hudson Awards to President Emeritus Dr. Glen Gabert, Trustee Chair Emeritus Bill Netchert, and Former Hudson County Executive Tom DeGise.

We thank Trustee Silvia Rodriguez for sharing meaningful reflections as the third student ever to register at HCCC when doors were opened in 1974, and her coming full circle as a current member of the Board of Trustees.

And we thank Trustee Chair Jeanette Pena for offering remarks about her personal journey and her experiences at HCCC over many years, beginning as an adjunct faculty member and continuing through years of service as a trustee and now as chair of the Board of Trustees. Jeanette also filled a time capsule that contains pictures and documents to be opened by future members of the HCCC family 50 years from now.

Perhaps the greatest moment of pride was when our inspirational students, Neivi Nunez and Anu Bisht, spoke eloquently about what Hudson County Community College means to them, and how the college is changing their lives.

Our anniversary theme – Fifty and Forward! – will continue to appear and be celebrated in activities throughout the year, including our December Foundation Holiday Gala, and a formal celebration of the opening of the Center for Student Success and the debut of our new athletics program in fall 2026.

We thank Vice President for Advancement and Communications Nicole Johnson, Assistant Dean of Student Life and Leadership Veronica Gerisimo, Assistant Vice President for Communications Jennifer Christopher, the more than 40 members of the HCCC Anniversary Planning Committee that have been meeting and creating this and more upcoming events for the past year, more than 70 volunteers who facilitated all of the celebration activities last Tuesday, and additional members of the HCCC family and beyond. It Takes a Village, and Hudson is Home! Trustees, this concludes my report.

Chair Peña offered remarks.

Everyone, that was beautiful. Thank you. Great energy and such a high note!

#### VI. REGULAR MONTHLY REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2025 were approved.

Introduced by: Jeanette Peña Seconded by: Edward DeFazio

7 Ayes...... Nays Resolution Adopted

#### VII. FISCAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, LEASE, AND CAPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS 1-15:

- 1. Resolution Authorizing Installation of Ethernet and Low-Voltage Cabling to be funded through Chapter 12 at a cost not to exceed \$1,563,166 was approved.
- 2. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Virtual CISO Services at a cost not to exceed \$341,916 was approved.
- 3. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Smartsheet Licenses to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$185,893 was approved.
- 4. Resolution Rejecting Proposal for Video Management System Services for Center for Online Learning was approved.
- 5. Resolution Authorizing Award of Video Management System for Center for Online Learning at a cost not to exceed \$82,183 was approved.
- 6. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Bookkeeping Services for the HCCC Foundation to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$76,800 was approved.

7. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Title V Evaluator to be funded by the Golden Door/La Puerta Dorada Grant at a cost not to exceed \$50.625 was tabled.

Introduced by: Jeanette Peña Seconded by: Stacy Gemma

7 Ayes...... Nays Resolutions Adopted

- 8. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Specialty Food Products for Culinary Conference Center from Baldor Specialty Foods, Inc.to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$80,000 was approved.
- 9. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Specialty Food Products for Culinary Conference Center from Driscoll Foods to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 was approved.
- 10. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Seafood Products for Culinary Conference Center to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 was approved.
- 11. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Dairy Products for Culinary Conference Center to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$80,000 was approved.
- 12. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Meat Products for Culinary Conference Center to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 was approved.
- 13. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Subscription Services for Gabert Library to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$112,861 was approved.
- 14. Resolution Amending Resolution #2 from June 10, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting to be funded from the operating budget at a cost not to exceed \$257,676 annually, representing an increase of \$51,156, was approved.
- 15. Resolution Authorizing Hudson County Community College to submit a Grant application to the Secretary of Higher Education for grant funding under the summer 2025 cycle of the Higher Education Capital Facilities program for the purpose of providing funding for one or more projects of the institution and authorizing all other necessary actions required in connection therewith was approved.

Introduced by: Harold Stahl Seconded by: Frank Gargiulo

7 Ayes...... 0 Nays Resolutions Adopted

#### VIII. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS 1-9:

#### 1. RESIGNATIONS

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date
Heather	Evans	Academic Advisor	109	August 22, 2025
Lillian	O'Hara	Program Coordinator, Continuing Education	112	August 23, 2025
Heather	Uccello	Instructor, OB/PEDS, Evening/Weekend (Tenure- track)	INSTRUCTOR	August 18, 2025

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Resignations above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 1.

#### 2. APPOINTMENT OF FULL-TIME STAFF

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Annual Salary
		Assistant Director,		September 10,	
Keann	Braveboy	Nursing	Ungraded	2025	\$ 90,000.00
		Academic Advisor, Educational Opportunity Fund			
Stephanie	Robinson	(EOF)	109	August 25, 2025	\$ 59,424.00

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Full-time Staff above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 2.

#### 3. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FULL-TIME STAFF

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Anticipated End Date	Annual Salary
		ESL Student Success		O atala and	0	-
		Specialist (Grant-		October 1,	September 30,	
Luisa	Carranza	funded)	109	2025	2026	\$ 50,183.00
		Coordinator,				
		Academic Support		September 10,	January 16,	
Mark	McCarthy	Services Center	109	2025	2026	\$ 49,520.03
		Human Resources		September 2,	November 2,	
Megha	Sanghavi	Administrator	106	2025	2025	\$ 43,680.00

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Temporary Full-time Staff above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 3.

#### 4. APPOINTMENT OF FULL-TIME FACULTY

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Annual Salary
		Instructor,			
		Bilingual ESL,			
		Non-Tenure-track		August 16,	
Arthur	Ujazdowski	(Grant-funded)	INSTRUCTOR	2025	\$ 60,494.00
		Instructor, ESL,		August 16,	
Saliha	Yagoubi	Tenure-track	INSTRUCTOR	2025	\$ 70,982.00

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Full-time Faculty above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 4.

#### 5. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FULL-TIME FACULTY

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Anticipated End Date	Annual Salary
		Instructor, Speech,		August 16,	December 31,	
Tazio	Ruffilo	Non-Tenure-track	INSTRUCTOR	2025	2025	\$ 60,494.00
		Instructor, ESL		August 16,	December 31,	
Gary	Sasala	(Non-Tenure-track)	INSTRUCTOR	2025	2025	\$ 60,494.00

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Temporary Full-time Faculty above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 5.

## 6. AUTHORIZATION OF PART-TIME STAFF THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2026, AS NEEDED

First name	Last name	Office	Title	Position ID	Supervisor
Jennifer	Cruz- Marulanda	Academic Affairs	Office Assistant	OFFAST- 252010	Pamela Bandyopadhyay
Urimala	Chawaria	Academic Affairs	Office Assistant	OFFAST- 255017	Paula Roberson
Isra	Ibrahim	ADJ Academic Support Services	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
Arianna	Rodriguez	ADJ Academic Support Services	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
Ruth	Abadie Alana	Advisement	Academic Advisor	ADVISOR- 200510	Belinda Austin
Sharon	Flowers	Advisement	Academic Advisor	ADVISOR- 200510	Marna Mozeff
Neivi	Nunez	Advisement	Office Assistant	ADVISOR- 200510	Belinda Austin
Jessica	Dang	Business, Culinary Arts, and Hospitality Management	Receiving Clerk	RECLERK- 101030	Ara Karakashian
Andrea	Dominguez	College Libraries	Library Associate	PTLRASO- 150510	Saudia Reid
Giuliano	Rinaldi	College Libraries	Library Associate	PTLRASO- 150510	Saudia Reid
Cynthia	Carrero	Continuing Education and Workforce Development	PT Healthcare Instructor	HCINST-103005	Samaya Yashayeva
Aya	Daoud	Continuing Education and Workforce Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
	Davis	Continuing Education and Workforce	DT la staut a		
Cherise	Dawson	Development Continuing Education and Workforce	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
Denise	Dubron	Development Continuing Education and	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
Carlos	Fernandez- Chinchilla	Workforce Development	Academic Coach	ACDCCH- 603091	Maritza Reyes

	Continuing Education and			
	Workforce			
Gomez	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
	Continuing			
Cuerrere		DT Instructor	DTINCT 10200E	Jaime Pardo
Guerrero		PTINSTRUCTO	P11N31-103003	Jaime Pardo
Lew	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
	Continuing			
Mastouri		PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Coordinator	DTCOPD	
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	Education and			
	Workforce	Interim Director	INTERIM-	
Mirasol	Development	CEWD	103005	Lori Margolin
			4000011	
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Payrie		Academic Coach	003091	Maritza Reyes
		PT Healthcare		Samaya
Ward	Development	Instructor	HCINST-103005	Yashayeva
	Continuing			
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Wright		PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
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Reyes	Center	Assistant	253035	Frederick Medina
	Customer Service	Customer Service	CSASST-	
Younger	Center	Assistant	253035	Frederick Medina
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Martinez	Financial Aid	Office Assistant		Sylvia Mendoza
	Information			,
		Instructional Lab		
	Technology	monactional East		
Basta	Services	Assistant	ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
Basta	Services Information	Assistant	ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
	Services Information Technology	Assistant Instructional Lab		
Basta Patel	Services Information Technology Services	Assistant	ISTLAB-253025 ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez  Diana Perez
	Services Information Technology	Assistant Instructional Lab		
	Guerrero  Lew  Mastouri  Maurer  Mirasol  Payne  Ward  Wolfe  Wright  Reyes	Education and Workforce Development  Continuing Education and Workforce Development	Gomez  Education and Workforce Development Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor  Guerrero  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor  Continuing Education and Workforce Development Development PT Healthcare Instructor  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor  Customer Service Assistant  Customer Service Assistant	Gomez Development PT Instructor PTINST-103005  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-103005  Guerrero Development PT Instructor PTINST-103005  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-103005  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-102010  Continuing Education and Workforce Development Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-102010  Continuing Education and Workforce Development Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor Interim Director Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-102010  Continuing Education and Workforce Development Academic Coach ACDCCH-603091  Continuing Education and Workforce PT Healthcare Development Instructor HCINST-103005  Continuing Education and Workforce Development PT Instructor PTINST-102010  Customer Service Casasstrat 253035  Customer Service Customer Service Assistant 253035  OFFAST-

		Information			
		Technology			
Ohm	Patel	Services	PC Technician	ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
		Information			
		Technology	Data Network		
Shivam	Chauhan	Services	Administrator	DNAD-253025	Hardik Sanghavi
		Information			
		Technology	Instructional Lab		
Bhaumit	Viradiya	Services	Assistant	ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
		Institutional			
		Engagement and		READER-	
Cecil	Pacheco	Excellence	Reader/Notetaker	150525	Karine Davis
		Institutional			
		Engagement and		READER-	
Bryan	Sierra Nunez	Excellence	Reader/Notetaker	150525	Karine Davis
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Marida O	Malina	North Hudson	NILLO Office Assistant	OFFNHC-	laaaa lai Fianaaa
Mayte C.	Molina	Campus	NHC Office Assistant	252030	Jason Jai Figueroa
		North Hudson		OFFNHC-	
Luis S.	Reyes Alberto	Campus	NHC Office Assistant	252030	Jason Jai Figueroa
		Nursing and			
		Health			
Rebecca C.	Hayles-Rivers	Professions	Skills Lab Tutor	PTSLT-101017	Lori M. Byrd

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Authorization of Part-time Staff, as needed, as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 6.

#### 7. APPOINTMENT OF NEW HIRE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS

First Name	Last Name	School/Office
Erin Gruodis	Gimbel	Humanities and Social Sciences
Bitengo	Kiage	Humanities and Social Sciences
Anna	Lytkina	Humanities and Social Sciences
Alexander	Perelson	Humanities and Social Sciences
Amy	Ritter	Humanities and Social Sciences
Lana	Saratchilova	Humanities and Social Sciences
William H.	Shin	Humanities and Social Sciences
Ana	Traversa	Humanities and Social Sciences
Claudia	Amaya	Humanities and Social Sciences
Mario	Beneitez	Humanities and Social Sciences
Guershon	Cherilien	Humanities and Social Sciences
Justin	Goodlow	Humanities and Social Sciences
Raisa	Kasturi	Humanities and Social Sciences
Elwira	Korycka	Humanities and Social Sciences
Nusrat J.	Momo	Humanities and Social Sciences
Maryam	Syed	Humanities and Social Sciences
Felipe M.	Vazquez	Humanities and Social Sciences
Aneta	Wasilewska	Humanities and Social Sciences
Tousha	Bailey	Nursing and Health Professions
Sajid	Chaudhry	Nursing and Health Professions

Ivelisse	Holder	Nursing and Health Professions
Miriam	Masias	Nursing and Health Professions
Carlos	Rosado	Nursing and Health Professions
Heather	Uccello	Nursing and Health Professions
Huda	Yazgi	Nursing and Health Professions
Abubakr	Alfaouri	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Khalid	Benaissa	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Octavio Paez	Osuna	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Nabiha Hassan	Samra	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Rumana	Syed	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Pradeep	Ullikashi	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of New Hire Adjunct Instructors listed above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 7.

#### 8. RESOLUTION TO AMEND CHILDREN ON CAMPUS POLICY

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees ("Board") is committed to ensuring regular review and updates of the College's policies; and,

**WHEREAS**, the President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend the amendment of the Children on Campus Policy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board will delegate to the President the responsibility to develop procedures and guidelines for the implementation of the policy;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the amendment of the Children on Campus Policy.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the College's Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 9. RESOLUTION TO GRANT TRUSTEE EMERITA HONORIFIC TITLE

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees ("Board") recognizes contributions of long-serving and distinguished trustees for their service in public education in Hudson County and their active membership and contributions on the Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees; and,

**WHEREAS**, the following individual served the College as Trustee and Board Officer with evidence of substantive contributions and distinguished service to the College for eight years:

Name	Proposed Title
Pamela Gardner	Trustee Emerita

**WHEREAS**, the President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend granting Trustee Emerita honorific title to the individual noted in this Resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees grant Trustee Emerita honorific title to the individual above.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the College's Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of the President, Administration, and Personnel Committee as outlined above in **Item VIII., Personnel Recommendations 1-9.** 

1) Resignations; 2) Appointment of Full-time Staff; 3) Appointment of Temporary Full-time Staff; 4) Appointment of Full-time Faculty; 5) Appointment of Temporary Full-time Faculty; 6) Authorization of Part-time Staff, as Needed; 7) Appointment of New Hire Adjunct Instructors; 8) Resolution to Amend Children on Campus Policy; and 9) Resolution to Grant Trustee Emerita Honorific Title.

#### **RESOLUTION**:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of the President, Administration, and Personnel Committee as outlined above in **Item VIII., Personnel Recommendations 1-9**.

Introduced by: Frances Teabout Seconded by: Harold Stahl 7 Ayes...... Nays

Resolutions Adopted

#### IX. ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS RECOMMENDATIONS 1-3:

- 1. Resolution Authorizing Agreement Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and Hoboken University Medical Center for Utilization of HCCC's Simulation Lab was approved.
- 2. Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce was approved.
- 3. Resolution Authorizing Academic Calendars for Fall 2026 and Winter/Spring 2027 Terms was approved.

Introduced by: Silvia Rodriguez Seconded by: Frances Teabout

7 Ayes...... Nays Resolutions Adopted

- X. NEW BUSINESS None
- IV. CLOSED SESSION None
- XI. ADJOURNMENT at 5:45 p.m.

Introduced by: Stacy Gemma Seconded by: Edward DeFazio

7 Ayes...... Nays Resolution Adopted

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

#### Tuesday, October 14, 2025

#### VII. FISCAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, LEASE, AND CAPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Computers for the STEM Construction Management Lab

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") needs to purchase eleven (11) computers for the STEM Construction Management Lab; and.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:64A-25.11a(b), the College may, without public bidding, purchase goods and services through national cooperatives; and,

**WHEREAS,** Dell (NASPO Computer Equipment PA - New Jersey Contract # C000001128033) has quoted a price for computers at a cost not to exceed \$62,487; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this purchase;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract to Dell of Round Rock, Texas, to provide computers as described herein at a cost not to exceed \$62,487.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 2. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Chromebooks

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") needs to purchase one hundred forty-five (145) Chromebooks for use throughout the College; and,

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:64A:25.11a, the College may award a contract without public advertising for bids when the purchase is made through a purchasing cooperative established through the State of New Jersey; and,

**WHEREAS**, SHI International Corp. (part of Edge Market – TeCHS Full Catalog/Contract # 269EMCPS-21-001-EM-SHI) has quoted a price for the Chromebooks at a cost not to exceed \$44,749; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this purchase;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract to SHI International Corp. of Somerset, New Jersey, to provide the Chromebooks as described herein at a cost not to exceed \$44,749.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 3. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of College Campus-Wide Software License Agreement

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College") needs to renew the College campus-wide Microsoft 365 Software License agreement; and,

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:64A-25.11a(b), the College may, without public bidding, purchase goods and services through national cooperatives; and,

**WHEREAS,** GovConnection, Inc. (part of OMNIA Partners/Region 4 ESC Contract #R210402) has submitted a proposal to provide these licenses and security upgrades that may be released by Microsoft during the year at a total cost not to exceed \$166,397, which represents no increase from the prior year; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term is one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this award;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract to GovConnection, Inc. of Merrimack, New Hampshire for the renewal of the College campus-wide Microsoft 365 Software License as described herein at a cost not to exceed \$166,397.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 4. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of ITV Technical Support

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") needs technical support coverage for sixty-four (64) ITV video immersive classrooms that are critical to high-quality remote instruction in order to supplement in-house resources to assure no interruption to student learning when problems arise in these classrooms; and,

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.11a, the service is exempt from public bidding as the purchase is being made through an approved cooperative; and,

**WHEREAS,** Aspire Technology Partners (part of OMNIA Partners, Public Sector Cooperative/Contract #01-97) has submitted a proposal for technical support at a cost not to exceed \$65,376, which represents no increase from the prior year; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term is one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this purchase;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract to Aspire Technology Partners of Eatontown, New Jersey, to provide ITV technical support services as described herein at a cost for the two-year period not to exceed \$65,376.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

## 5. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Helpdesk ChatBot Platform for the Office of Information Technology Services

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College") seeks to renew its helpdesk ChatBot platform for the Offices of Admissions, Financial Aid, and Student Services; and,

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:64A-25.11a(b), the College may, without public bidding, purchase goods and services through national cooperatives; and,

**WHEREAS,** GovConnection, Inc. (part of OMNIA Partners/Region 4 ESC Contract #R210402) has submitted a proposal to provide these services at a total cost of \$52,460, which represents a 6% increase from the prior year; and.

WHEREAS, the anticipated term is one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of this service will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this award;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community

College award a contract to GovConnection, Inc. of Merrimack, New Hampshire for the renewal of a helpdesk ChatBot Platform for the Office of Information Technology Services as described herein for a one (1) year term at a cost not to exceed \$52,460.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 6. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Photography Services for the Office of Communications

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") needs to renew Photography Services ("Services") for the Office of Communications; and,

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.5 (a) (1), professional services are exempt from public bidding; and,

**WHEREAS**, notwithstanding the bid exemption, the College solicited proposals for the Services through a fairand-open process and issued a Request-for-Proposal ("RFP") for the Services for a term not to exceed one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the College received the following proposal in response to the RFP:

VendorLocationCostJersey Pictures, Inc.Hackettstown, NJ\$350 per hour

**WHEREAS,** the College has determined that the proposal submitted by Jersey Pictures, Inc. ("JP") is in the best interests of the College, price and other factors considered; and,

WHEREAS, there is no increase from the prior year; and,

WHEREAS, the term for these services is one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this purchase;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract for photography services to Jersey Pictures, Inc. of Hackettstown, New Jersey as described herein for a one (1) year term at a cost not to exceed \$350 per hour.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 7. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Sign and Spoken Interpretation Services

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") requires the services of a vendor to provide on-site and remote sign and spoken interpretation services ("Services") for the College's Office of Accessibility Services; and.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.5 (a) (1), professional services are exempt from public bidding; and,

**WHEREAS,** notwithstanding the bid exemption, the College solicited proposals for the Services through a fairand-open process and issued a Request-for-Proposal ("RFP") for the Services for a term not to exceed two (2) years: and.

WHEREAS, the College received the following proposals in response to the RFP:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Dynamic Language	Seattle, WA	Non-Responsive
Natural Languages	Jersey City, NJ	\$105-175 per hour
SignGlasses	Salt Lake City, UT	Non-Responsive

**WHEREAS**, the College needs to reject the proposal submitted by Dynamic Languages ("DL") and SignGlasses ("SG") since the submissions failed to comply with the requirements of the RFP; and,

**WHEREAS**, the College has determined that the proposal submitted by Natural Languages ("NL") is responsive to the RFP and is in the best interests of the College, price and other factors considered; and,

WHEREAS, the term for the Services is two (2) years; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of the Services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this purchase;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract for on-site and remote sign and spoken interpretation services to Natural Languages of Jersey City, New Jersey as described herein at an hourly cost not to exceed \$175 per hour.

#### 8. Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract for Food Equipment Repair Services

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College") needs to renew its agreement for the services of a vendor to repair various food service equipment in order to prevent the spoilage of large quantities of food ("Services"); and,

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.11a, the service is exempt from public bidding as the purchase is being made through an approved cooperative; and,

**WHEREAS,** Jay-Hill Repairs (ESCNJ Contract # 22/23-28), the current vendor providing the services, submitted a proposal to provide the Services at an estimated annual cost of \$95,000, which represents no change from the prior year; and,

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommend this award;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College award a contract to Jay-Hill Repairs of Fairfield, New Jersey for food service equipment repairs as described herein at an estimated annual cost of \$95,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### 9. Resolution Approving Lab Fees for the Clinical Experiences in Radiography Program

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College") offers a Radiography Program ("Program") through its School of Nursing and Health Professions; and,

WHEREAS, the Program includes a clinical experience component; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Program requires additional sites at which its students can fulfill the requisite clinical experiences; and,

**WHEREAS,** Richmond University Medical Center ("RUMA") has the capacity to meet the needs of the Program for additional sites; and,

**WHEREAS**, RUMA requires the College to pay lab fees which include an implementation fee of \$3.50 per student hour for a student's clinical rotation of 6.5-7 hours, and \$1.50 an hour for administrative costs associated with scheduling, tracking, documenting, and processing clinical competency evaluations of 6.5-7 hours a day; and,

WHEREAS, the expected total cost of the program fees will be \$47,925; and,

WHEREAS, the length of this program is two (2) years; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of these services will be funded from the proposed lab fees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College hereby approve the agreement with RUMA for the clinical experiences in radiography program, including the lab fees associated therewith.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

### 10. Resolution Rejecting Award for Renewal of Title V Evaluator to be Funded by the Golden Door/La Puerta Dorada Grant

**WHEREAS,** on September 16, 2025, Hudson County Community College ("College") held a public bid opening for the services of an external evaluator for the final two years of the Title V Golden Door/La Puerto Dorada Project ("Services"); and,

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:64A-25.5 (a) 15), professional consulting services are exempt from public bidding; and,

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the bid exception, the College publicly advertised a Request for Proposal ("RFP") for the services: and.

**WHEREAS**, the College received three (3) proposals in response to the RFP:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Measurement Incorporated	Albany, NY	\$50,625
Philliber Research & Evaluation	Accord, NY	\$32,879
Steps To Achieve	North Huntingdon, PA	\$154,800

WHEREAS, the Services will be grant funded; and,

WHEREAS, grant funding has yet to be confirmed; and,

WHEREAS, all proposals must be rejected since funding cannot be confirmed; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Administration recommends the rejection of all proposals since funding is not yet available for the Services and further recommends re-procurement of the Services once the grant funding is confirmed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College hereby reject all proposals received for the Services and authorize the re-procurement of the Services once grant funding has been obtained.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of the President, Administration, and Finance Committee as outlined above in **Item VII., Fiscal, Administrative, Lease and Capital Recommendations 1-10.** 

1) Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Computers for the STEM Construction Management Lab; 2) Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Chromebooks; 3) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of College Campus-Wide Software License Agreement; 4) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of ITV Technical Support; 5) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Helpdesk ChatBot Platform for the Office of Information Technology Services; 6) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Photography Services for the Office of Communications; 7) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Sign and Spoken Interpretation Services; 8) Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract for Food Equipment Repair Services.; 9) Resolution Approving Lab Fees for the Clinical Experiences in Radiography Program; and 10) Resolution Rejecting Award for Renewal of Title V Evaluator to be Funded by the Golden Door/La Puerta Dorada Grant.

INTRODUCED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	
DATE:	October 14, 2025
DeFazio, Edward Doria, Joseph Gargiulo, Frank Gemma, Stacy Kenny, Roberta Lombardo, Vincent Rodriguez, Silvia Stahl, Harold Teabout, Frances Peña, Jeanette, Chair	

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

#### Tuesday, October 14, 2025

#### VIII. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 1. RETIREMENT

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date
Jani Decena	White	Assistant Professor, English	ASSISTANT	September 1, 2025

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Retirement above as Personnel

Recommendation Item No. 1.

#### 2. RESIGNATION

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date
Keann	Braveboy	Assistant Director, Nursing	Ungraded	September 29, 2025
Leslie	Lang	Director, Student Accounts	117	September 20, 2025

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Resignations above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 2.

#### 3. APPOINTMENT OF FULL-TIME STAFF

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Annual Salary
		Associate Director, Early		_	
Cristhian	Altamirano	College Program	115	October 20, 2025	\$ 71,202
		Academic Counselor,			
Brianna	Foster	Hudson Scholars	113	October 27, 2025	\$ 65,175
		Senior Assistant Director,			
		Student Engagement and			
Arlene	Ganess	Experience	114	October 20, 2025	\$ 73,000
•		Academic Counselor,			
Yessenia	Lopez	Hudson Scholars	113	October 27, 2025	\$ 60,442
		Administrative Support			
Kamelyn	Santos	Specialist, Advisement	105	October 16, 2025	\$ 44,338

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Full-time Staff above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 3.

#### 4. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FULL-TIME STAFF

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Anticipated End Date	Annual Salary
		Financial Aid		November 16,		
Maryam	Arkkou	Assistant	105	2025	May 15, 2026	\$ 41,058
		Associate Director,				
		Center for Workforce				
		Innovation, Supply				
		Chain Management		October 4,	December 31,	
Sean	Kerwick	(Grant-funded)	115	2025	2025	\$ 82,974

		Grant Project Director, Golden Door/La Puerta Dorada		October 1.	September 30.	
		r ucita Dolada		October 1,	September 30,	
Michelle	Paradies	(Grant-funded)	117	2025	2026	\$ 85,078
		Human Resources		November 3,	January 15,	
Megha	Sanghavi	Administrator	106	2025	2026	\$ 43,680

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Temporary Full-time Staff above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 4.

#### 5. APPOINTMENT OF FULL-TIME FACULTY

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salarv Grade	Effective Date	Annual Salarv
1 II St Name	Last Hame	THE	Gulary Grade	Lifective Date	Ailitual Galary
		Instructor,			
		Radiography		October 20,	
Sonia	Anastasi	(Tenure-track)	INSTRUCTOR	2025	\$ 75,000

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Full-time Faculty above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 5.

#### 6. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FULL-TIME FACULTY

First Name	Last Name	Title	Salary Grade	Effective Date	Anticipated End Date	Annual Salary
		Instructor, English		August 28,	December 31,	
Sarah Lee	Chichester	(Non-Tenure-track)	INSTRUCTOR	2025	2025	\$ 60,494
		Instructor, English		August 28,	December 31,	
Donnell	Griffith	(Non-Tenure-track)	INSTRUCTOR	2025	2025	\$ 60,494

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of Temporary Full-time Faculty above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 6.

## 7. AUTHORIZATION OF PART-TIME STAFF THROUGH OCTOBER 2026, AS NEEDED

First name	Last name	Office	Title	Position ID	Supervisor
		Accessibility		READER-	
Sarah	Nesheiwat	Services	Notetaker/Reader	150525	Karine Davis
		Accessibility		READER-	
Gabriele	Rosado	Services	Notetaker/Reader	150525	Karine Davis
		ADJ Academic			
		Support Services			
Marwa	Abdelaziz	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
		Support Services			
Faiza	Boudib	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
_		Support Services			
Connor	Dolan	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
Abderraham		Support Services			
Yakhoub	Madina	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
		Support Services			
Hector	Mota	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara

		ADJ Academic			
		Support Services			
Sebastian	Oberholtzer	Center	Tutor	TUTOR-252010	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
		Support Services	CTE Academic	CTE Academic	
Saeede	Shojaee	Center	Couch	Couch-601021	Kenny Fabara
		ADJ Academic			
F.,	T-#.	Support Services	T 4	TUTOD 050040	И
Fred	Taffy	Center	Tutor Alumni Relations	TUTOR-252010 PTALRC-	Kenny Fabara
Atim Annette	Oton	Advancement	Coordinator	255010	Nicole Johnson
Aum Anneue	Oton	Advancement	Coordinator	ADVISOR-	NICOLE JOHNSON
Lisa	Fernandez	Advisement	Office Assistant	200510	Belinda Austin
		7.13.113.113.11	Library Social Media	Library Social	
Andrei	Dimaculangan	College Libraries	Specialist	Media Specialist	John Hernandez
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Sarah	Abdel Azem	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing		DTIMOT	
		Education and		PTINST- 102010;	Chartity Farmally
Oscar	Alvarez	Workforce Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Chastity Farrell; Anita Belle
Oscai	Alvalez	Continuing	FI IIISTIUCTOI	F11N31-103003	Affila Delle
		Education and			
		Workforce	Customer Service	CSTAST-	
Tatiana	Balladares	Development	Assistant	102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			j
		Education and		PTINST-	
		Workforce		103005;	Anita Belle; Anita
Adefolarin	Bolaji	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-606000	Belle
		Continuing			
		Education and			
Jairo	Borja	Workforce Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
Jano	Богја	Continuing	FIMSUUCIO	F 111431-103003	Jaime Faido
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Maria Carme	de Sagun	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
	_	Continuing			_
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Mohamed	Elagib	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			
		Education and Workforce			
Ozden	Ernalbant	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
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		Education and			
		Workforce			
Lilian	Francess	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
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Tatiana	Garcia	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Anita Belle
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		Workforce			
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Joaquin	Melara	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Dan Brookes
oouquiii	Molara	Continuing	1 1 11011 (1010)	1 111101 100000	Ban Brookee
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Maria	Nive		DT Instructor	DTINCT 40200E	Jaimes Danda
Maria	Nunez	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Francisco	Parra	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Samantha	Piedrahita	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			
		Education and		HCINST-	Samaya
1		Workforce	PT Healthcare	103005;	Yashayeva;
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Laverne	Ploom	Development	Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Eileen	Ressler	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Mohamed	Sarrouti	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
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		Education and			
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Vineet	Tamhane	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-102010	Chastity Farrell
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Erin	Taylor	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
		Continuing			
		Education and			
		Workforce			
Calogero	Torretta	Development	PT Instructor	PTINST-103005	Jaime Pardo
Salogoio	. 5110110	Dovolopinoni	. I mondotor	PTADVS-	Christopher
lacquelina	Carcia	Early Callaga	Advisor		•
Jacqueline	Garcia	Early College	Advisor	150540	Conzen
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Rifaya	Khajamohideen	Services	Assistant	ENS-200525	Wajia Zahur
				OFFAST-	
Malaya	Allen	Financial Aid	Office Assistant	200520	Sylvia Mendoza
				OFFAST-	
Doaa	Hussien	Financial Aid	Office Assistant	200520	Sylvia Mendoza
				Front Desk	
		Hudson Helps	Front Desk	Administrative	Katherine
		Resources	Administrative	Assistant-	Morales/
Ashook	Persaud	Center	Assistant	603005	Ariana Calle
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Esther	Gil	Social Sciences	Office Assistant	101021	Betzabe Reyes
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		Information			
	<u> </u>	Information Technology	Instructional Lab		
Elaine	Gonzalez		Instructional Lab Assistant	ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
Elaine		Technology Services		ISTLAB-253025	Diana Perez
Elaine		Technology Services Mental Health	Assistant		Diana Perez
Elaine		Technology Services		ISTLAB-253025 PTMHWC- 252033	Diana Perez  Doreen Pontius

				Front Desk	
		Mental Health	Front Desk	Administrative	
		Counseling and	Administrative	Assistant-	
Mairim	Lezama	Wellness	Assistant	252003	Doreen Pontius
		North Hudson		OFFNHC-	Jason Jai
Kenia	Sandoval	Campus	Office Assistant, NHC	252030	Figueroa
		Student Life and		PTEVAST-	
Ysabelle	Flojo	Leadership	Event Assistant	701000	Angela Tuzzo
		Student Life and		PTEVAST-	
Jocelyn	Rodriguez	Leadership	Event Assistant	701000	Keischa Taylor

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Authorization of Part-time Staff, as needed, as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 7.

#### 8. APPOINTMENT OF NEW HIRE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS

First Name	Last Name	School/Office
Cathia	Degand Baptiste	Humanities and Social Sciences
George	Brobbev	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Gabriel	Drouet	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Khaled	Elmonairy	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Ahmed-Zaid	Ghania	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Hui	Guan	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Khaled	Keshk	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Paulos	Lemma	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Jose A.	Montalvo	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Appointment of New Hire Adjunct Instructors listed above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 8.

#### 9. MODIFICATIONS TO STAFFING TABLE

Current Approved Title	New Title/ Classification	Incumbent	Current Salary Grade	New Salary Grade	Current Salary	New Salary	Effective Date
Coordinator,	Classification	incumbent	Grade	Grade	Salai y	Salary	Lifective Date
Human							
Resources							
(Temporary Full-	Benefits and	Kandi					November 1,
time)	Leaves Specialist	Ceballos	109	110	\$ 49,906	\$ 54,000	2025
Customer	Assistant Director, CEWD, Hudson Hub One Stop						
Service Manager, CEWD	Student Services Center	Brianna Heim	112	113	\$ 59,172	\$ 64,173	October 16, 2025
Director, Faculty and Staff Development	Director, Employee Relations	Amaalah Ogburn	119	119	\$ 87,250	\$ 94,000	November 1, 2025
Recruiter,							
Enrollment	Assistant Director,						October 16,
Services	Recruitment	Royal Ross	105	113	\$ 48,226	\$ 66,860	2025

Assistant Director, Human Resources (Recruitment)	Associate Director, Talent Acquisition and Onboarding	Stephanie Sergeant	113	115	\$ 58,226	\$ 66,000	November 1, 2025
Associate							
Director,	Director,						
Enrollment	Enrollment						October 16,
Services	Services	Wajia Zahur	115	117	\$ 72,254	\$ 87,250	2025
	Executive						
Part-time Office	Administrative						
Assistant	Assistant, Human						October 15,
(2 Positions)	Resources	N/A	N/A	112	N/A	N/A	2025
	Director, Talent						October 15,
N/A	Management	N/A	N/A	119	N/A	N/A	2025

The President, Administration, and Personnel Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the Staffing Table Modifications listed above as Personnel Recommendation Item No. 9.

#### **RESOLUTION**:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of the President, Administration, and Personnel Committee as outlined above in **Item VIII., Personnel Recommendations 1-9.** 

1) Retirement; 2) Resignation; 3) Appointment of Full-time Staff; 4) Appointment of Temporary Full-time Staff; 5) Appointment of Full-time Faculty; 6) Appointment of Temporary Full-time Faculty; 7) Authorization of Part-time Staff, as Needed; 8) Appointment of New Hire Adjunct Instructors; and 9) Modifications to Staffing Table.

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#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

#### Tuesday, October 14, 2025

#### IX. ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

1. Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and Engage NJ for HCCC to Serve as an ENGAGECorps VISTA Project Partner Campus Site for 2025-26

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College") provides its diverse communities with inclusive, high-quality educational programs and services that promote student success and upward social and economic mobility; and,

WHEREAS, EngageCorps VISTA Program ("Program"), which is an Engage NJ AmeriCorps VISTA Project, requires sites at which its clients can complete internships; and,

**WHEREAS**, the College's School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development ("CEWD") has the capacity to meet this need of the Program through the provision of an internship in which the student gains experience in capacity building within CEWD's Healthcare Team: and.

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College seeks to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with Engage NJ whereby clients enrolled in the Program will be able to complete internship experiences; and,

**WHEREAS**, this MOU will remain in effect unless otherwise terminated by either party in accordance with the parameters established in the MOU; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Administration, and Academic and Student Affairs Committee, recommend the authorization of the Memorandum of Understanding between Hudson County Community College and Engage NJ;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College authorize the Memorandum of Understanding between Hudson County Community College and Engage NJ, effective upon the last signature.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the College's Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

2. Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Among Hudson County Community College (HCCC), the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and Turner Construction Company

**WHEREAS,** Hudson County Community College ("College"), as one of the nation's leading and most diverse urban community colleges, aspires to offer consistently best-practice, transformative educational and economic opportunities for its students and all residents of Hudson County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion and Turner Construction Company share this vision as they aspire to support small businesses in Hudson County; and,

**WHEREAS,** the College offers non-credit programs ("Programs") through its School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development; and,

WHEREAS, the College seeks to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion and Turner Construction, collectively the parties ("the parties"), whereby the parties will mutually support programs and resources for businesses in Hudson County that are small, disadvantaged, and/or veteran-owned as well as other locally owned certified businesses that are eligible to participate in the Turner School of Construction Management Program; and,

**WHEREAS,** this MOU will remain in effect for two (2) years unless otherwise terminated by either party in accordance with the parameters established in the MOU; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Administration, and Academic and Student Affairs Committee, recommend the authorization of the MOU among Hudson County Community College, the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and Turner Construction Company;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College authorize the Memorandum of Understanding among Hudson County Community College, the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and Turner Construction Company, effective upon the last signature.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the College's Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

3. Resolution Authorizing Amended Articulation Agreement Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and Stockton University for Academic Pathways in Cannabis Studies

**WHEREAS**, Hudson County Community College ("College") seeks to optimize community engagement through the development of seamless academic pathways with K-20 partners and in support of the College's mission to provide high-quality educational opportunities that promote student success and upward social and economic mobility; and,

**WHEREAS,** the College and Stockton University, collectively the parties ('the parties"), entered into an agreement ("Agreement") dated January 2, 2022, through which the College and Stockton University provide seamless transfer pathways for students; and,

**WHEREAS,** the College offers an Associate of Science in Business Administration Option in Cannabis Studies degree program ("Program"); and,

**WHEREAS**, one goal of the Program is the successful transfer of its students to a four-year university to pursue a baccalaureate degree; and,

WHEREAS, Stockton University offers a Bachelor of Science in Hemp and Cannabis Management degree program: and.

WHEREAS, the College seeks to amend its Agreement with Stockton University whereby students who earn an Associate of Science in Business Administration Option in Cannabis Studies degree at the College will be able to transfer seamlessly into Stockton University's Bachelor of Science in Hemp and Cannabis Management degree program; and,

**WHEREAS**, this amended Agreement will remain in effect for the term listed in the Agreement dated January 2, 2022 unless otherwise terminated by either party in accordance with the parameters established in the Agreement; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Administration, and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, recommend the authorization of the amended Agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College authorize the amended Agreement between Hudson County Community College and Stockton University, retroactive to September 15, 2025.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees authorize the College's Administration to take all steps necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

#### RESOLUTION:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendations of the President, Administration, and Academic and Student Affairs Committee as outlined above in **Item IX., Academic and Student Affairs Recommendations 1-3**:

1) Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and Engage NJ for HCCC to Serve as an ENGAGECorps VISTA Project Partner Campus Site for 2025-26; 2) Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Among Hudson County Community College (HCCC), the Jersey City Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and Turner Construction Company; and, 3) Resolution Authorizing Amended Articulation Agreement Between Hudson County Community College (HCCC) and Stockton University for Academic Pathways in Cannabis Studies.

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# HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

X. NEW BUSINESS

# HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

#### **RESOLUTION**:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE	<b>D</b> that the October 14, 20	25 meeting of the Hudson County
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	Aye	Nay