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II.

Chair Medeiros welcomed all to the meeting. She said with deep regret that she is announcing that this would be the last Board of Trustees Meeting for Trustees Keith Hovan and Sandra Saunders. They have resigned from their positions as members of the Board of Trustees. Chair Medeiros said they would all miss Trustees Hovan and Saunders, and thanked them wholeheartedly for their years of service to the Bristol Community College Board of Trustees.

She said two new members to the Board of Trustees will be in attendance at the next Board meeting on January 11, 2021: Ms. Renee Clark and Pamela Gauvin, Esq.

## III. Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

Chair Medeiros asked if any consent agenda items needed to be moved to the regular agenda. There were no items to move. She then read the Consent Agenda Items listed and asked for a motion to approve said items.

Consideration of Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting of November 2, 2020 Report of Personnel Actions December 2020

A motion was made by Trustee Videva Dufresne to approve the consent agenda items and seconded by Trustee Malasi. Ms. Wordell conducted a Roll Call Vote:

Frank Baptista Absent
Samir Bhattacharyya Absent
Valentina Videva Dufresne - Yes
Keith Hovan - Yes
Jeffrey Karam - Yes
Lynn Malasi - Yes
Sandra Saunders (Secretary) Yes
Diane Silvia Yes
Steven Torres (Vice Chair) Yes
Alexis Viveiros-Branco (Student Trustee) - Absent
Joan Medeiros (Chair) Yes

The motion was approved.

IV.

President Laura Douglas also thanked Trustees Hovan and Saunders for their years of service to the Board.

President Douglas gave a brief COVID-19 update to the Board. She said that they have ollback ended today.

There are some hybrid classes that have wrapped up, but 147 students are still completing hybrid courses.

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Funding formula +2%.

# Communication:

Receiving final word within the next few weeks. Budget to Governor for vetoes.

<u>CARES Act</u> <u>Use of Funds</u> CARES Act Funding:

CARES: <u>Funding</u> \$4,686,502

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# VI. Report of the Facilities Committee

Trustee Steve Torres, Chair of the Facilities Committee, gave his report to the Board for the Committee meeting of November 2, 2020. He first wished to thank Trustees Hovan and Saunders for their years of service; they were very valuable Board members.

The Facilities Committee met on November 2, 2020 and had several agenda items to discuss. The first was the Taunton Center Coyle & Cassidy High School. The committee and board previously approved leasing the vacated Coyle & Cassidy High School as an option for the c the C last meeting, they asked management to pursue a two-year option rather than the one offered by the Diocese, and that was approved. The lease will be effective July 1, 2021, and will be for approximately 25,000 square feet. The location offers hundreds of parking spaces. Not included in the 25,000 square feet, but available, are an auditorium and gymnasium. The space includes multiple science labs which was an obstacle at previous locations and a

over the summer with in-person classes starting in September. It is important to note that the location will also include our Taunton Adult Education program. It is also already the new home of the Taunton campus mobile food market.

There was a discussion at our meeting about the New Bedford National Offshore Wind Institute (NOWI) but no votes were taken. Management is holding off signing the lease until January as several important permitting processes take place. They have completed the work with the city of New Bedford over the ground lease. The Chapter 91 permitting process is still in process. A lease may need to be signed before this is complete with rent going into escrow in the interim. We are optimistic with the recent reports at the Federal level that offshore wind will be supported. We have also seen co 0 612 792 r(s)9(o)-19(Bt)-21()10 cnori

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A motion was made by Trustee Hovan to accept the report of the Facilities Committee of November 2, 2020, as presented, and seconded by Trustee Saunders. Ms. Wordell conducted a Roll Call Vote:

Frank Baptista Yes
Samir Bhattacharyya Absent
Valentina Videva Dufresne - Yes
Keith Hovan - Yes
Jeffrey Karam - Yes
Lynn Malasi - Yes
Sandra Saunders (Secretary) Yes
Diane Silvia Yes
Steven Torres (Vice Chair) Yes
Alexis Viveiros-Branco (Student Trustee) Yes
Joan Medeiros (Chair) Yes

The motion was approved.

#### VII. Report of the Student Trustee

Student Trustee Alexis Viveiros-Branco gave her report to the Board. She said that the fall semester was wrapping up and it has been going well overall. However, there have been several student issues that have surfaced concerning the Financial Aid Office and book advances; extra quizzes assigned by professors that were not on the syllabi; and group projects that were not working out for some students.

President Douglas said that she would further discuss these issues with Trustee Viveiros-Branco following the Board meeting.

#### VIII. Old Business

There was no Old Business to come before the Board.

#### IX. New Business

There was no New Business to come before the Board.

## Ms. Wordell reminded the Board of two items:

Nominations for the Honorary Degree and Distinguished Citizen Commencement

Please submit nominations to Ms. Wordell.

Reminder for Board members to complete the mandatory Trustee Training.

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X.	Adjournment

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There being no further business to come before meeting adjourned. The time was 4:46 p.m.	the Board, Chair Medei	ros declared the
Respectfully submitted,		
Kathleen Wordell, Recording Secretary	1/11/2021_ Date Approved	_KAW Initials