

E. INTRODUCTIONS

Board Chair Joan Medeiros said it was an honor and a pleasure to co-host this joint meeting between the Board of Trustees and the Foundation Board of Directors. The Foundation has been supportive for years with new programs and initiatives. She asked all Board and Foundation members to introduce themselves and answer the question “Why Bristol”?

Joan Medeiros (Trustee) – Chair of the Board of Trustees; from Fall River. Why not Bristol? The college provides a service to the community and is life transforming.

Thomas Murray (Foundation) – President of the Foundation Board of Directors; from Fall River and Somerset. He was a Board of Trustees member;

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Richard Wolfson (Foundation) – from Fall River; 60 years as a financial advisor; served two terms as a Board member and was Chair of the Board. Bristol is the jewel of the community and necessary for the survival of the area.

Samir Bhattacharyya (Trustee) – from Sharon, MA; about one year as a Board member; works at Johnson and Johnson. He sees how his job affects patients' lives. It is the same at Bristol; he sees how Bristol affects students' lives. He has a passion for the ability of students to receive a good quality, affordable education.

Miriam London (Foundation) – has been on the Foundation for twenty-five years. She feels it is exciting for students to go from Bristol to UMass Dartmouth or other four-year institutions.

Valentina Videva Dufresne (Trustee) – Mechanical engineer at Texas Instruments; from Macedonia. She is very passionate of diversity inclusion; she chairs the Engineering Council Diversity and Inclusion Committee at Sensata. Her husband is a nurse and a CCRI graduate. She is very passionate about good, quality education.

Carol Michael (Foundation) – chair of the Alumni Association; born in Fall River. She began working at 19 years old and realized she needed to go back to school. She attended Bristol when it was on Durfee Street and was later asked to teach English in the GED program. She went to Bridgewater State University after Bristol for elementary education and became a teacher. Bristol is a great foundation for students.

Frank Baptista (Trustee) – from Cape Verde; founder and director of Portuguese radio station. His relationship with Bristol goes back many years to the Portuguese festival. His three children attended Bristol. He has been a Board member for about one year and feels it is an honor to serve on the Board.

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Donald Smyth (Foundation) – from Attleboro and originally from Hartford, CT. He was never expected to go to college; applied to Greater Hartford Community College for an associate degree; joined the army and then went back to University of Connecticut. He was involved in getting the Bristol campus at the Attleboro location started. He was on the Board for ten years; at Bristol County Savings Bank they are expected to involve themselves in the community.

Sandra Saunders (Trustee) – from Fairhaven; practices law in New Bedford. She said public education serves such an important function in the community. She is a first-generation college graduate, raised by a single mother and went to UMass Amherst all paid for by student loans. Bristol is an affordable, quality education. She has a dedication and passion for Bristol.

Steven Torres (Trustee) – Vice Chair of the Board; fourth year on the Board; a Taunton resident but native of New York and New Hampshire. He was schooled in New Hampshire and later in Boston for his law degree. Living in Boston he witnessed poverty. He feels it is important to serve the underrepresented and

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H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further issues to discuss, the joint meeting concluded at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date Approved

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