EGSC Foundation Meeting Minutes March 23, 2015

Present: Denny Key, Harriet Ray, Milton Gray, Bob Boehmer, Wade Johnson, Scott Rosenau, Richard McNeely, Nick Herrington, Shot Strange, Donald Wilson, Bill Rogers, Jr., Charles Schwabe, Lynda Talmadge, Tammy Wilkes, Elizabeth Gilmer, Bob Brown, Cliff Gay, Mike Rountree, Norma Kennedy, Donald Avery, Vicki Sherrod, Angie Williams, and Amanda Williams

Also present were Theresa Davis, CHOICE Program students, Kasey Hayes and Tiffany Guthrie, and CHOICE Peer Mentors, Imani Lee and KeRodrick Brown.

The annual EGSC Foundation meeting was held at the Sudie A. Fulford Center on the East Georgia State College Campus at 6 pm.

Denny Key provided the welcome for the group followed by a presentation from the CHOICE Inclusion Program students led my Theresa Davis, Program Director.

Minutes

Harriet Ray presented the minutes from the December 2, 2014 Foundation meeting. A motion to accept was made by Bill Rogers, Jr. with a second from Wade Johnson. Motion to accept minutes was approved unanimously.

Financials

Cliff Gay presented the financials for October 2014. Motion to approve the financials as presented was made by Richard McNeely. Motion to accept financials was approved unanimously.

President's Comments

Dr. Boehmer welcomed the group and began with a video presentation. He noted EGSC has a significant amount of potential to reach a large number of students. Dr. Boehmer also brought special attention to a few of the positive happenings at EGSC. They include:

- Dual enrollment fees are now being waived
- CHOICE Program
- Bobcat Villas expanding to 412 beds
- Proposed \$4.5M addition to the Academic Building
- Morgan House Gift
- Smithsonian: Hometown Teams exhibit-EGSC will be 1st stop
- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Fire/Science Program

Major challenges facing the college include:

- The current salary structure for EGSC
- New Program identification needed based on community need
 - o For example, Nursing or Forestry Products

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- Increase Athletic Funding
- Increase Private Fundraising

Membership Committee

- Elizabeth Gilmer reported on the Membership Committee. The slate of officers for the FY 2015-16 were presented with a term expiration of June 30, 2016. They include Denny Key-Chair, Richard McNeely-Chair elect, Harriet Ray-Secretary, Cliff Gay-Treasurer, Bill Rogers, Jr.-Past Chair, and Bob Boehmer-Executive Director. Milton Gray made a motion to approve the new members with a second from Wade Johnson. All votes were unanimous.
- The Executive Committee recommended term renewal for Denny Key, Harriet Ray, Milton Gray, Donald Jenkins, Bill Simmons, and Ken Warnock for 3 years to expire on June 30, 2018. Motion to approve was made by Richard McNeely with a second from Tammy Wilkes. All votes were unanimous.
- The Executive Committee also recommended the transition of membership status for Henry Gambrell and Jean Morgan from active to emeritus. Motion to approve was made by Richard McNeely with a second from Shot Strange. All votes were unanimous.
- The 40 Under 40 group is scheduled to meet on April 20th at 6 pm at the Fulford Center.

Real Estate/Budget and Finance Committee

- Elizabeth Gilmer and Milton Gray provided an update.
- Suntrust is scheduled to visit on April 1st.
- A motion to approve the distribution of scholarship funds as presented was made by Donny Wilson with a second from Shot Strange. All votes were unanimous.
- There was no new news to report regarding the Gambrell Property as a possible purchase other than it is moving in the right direction.
- The property swap between the JDA property located next to the college and the Pine St. property is moving ahead as expected.
- Luck Gambrell was selected to receive the "Friend of the College Award" at the USG Gala.

External Affairs

• Elizabeth Gilmer presented a list of key indicators from the office of External Affairs which included but were not limited to the Fulford Center and Marketing and Communications.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harriet Ray

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