

Polk State College Foundation, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
February 7, 2025
JD Alexander Center – Lake Wales, FL

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The scheduled quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Polk State College Foundation, Inc. was held on February 7, 2025, with the following members present: Bo Boyte, Greta Dupuy, Jennifer Fasking, David Fisher, Dr. Angela Garcia Falconetti, Jennifer Hall, Scott Hart, Nikki Hayde, Bill Jacobs, Michelle Ledford, Dr. Chris Lopez, Beth Luckett, Ryan McKellen, Dr. Paul Morin, Matt Mucci, Christine Samuel, Nikki Smith, Meg Thornton and Wendy Whitehead-Venters.

Unable to attend: Nancy Dodd, Analisa Jahna, Cyndi Jantomaso, Garrett Kenny, Jennifer Kincart-Jonsson, Ty Pinner, and Nick Plott.

Polk State College Foundation Team members Dr. Steve Warner, Joanie Malone, Morgan Jacobson, Trey Heath, Lance Ferguson, Debbie Regan, Madalyn Vida, and Gail Spence were in attendance, as well as Scott Lowke of CapTrust.

The Foundation Board meeting was called to order by Foundation Chair David Fisher at 12:06 p.m.

WELCOME

Chair David Fisher welcomed everyone and thanked them for joining today.

MINUTES

David Fisher requested a motion to approve the November 15, 2024, Foundation Board Meeting minutes. Nikki Smith made the motion; Meg Thornton seconded it. All members voted affirmatively, and the motion passed.

**PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS**

Polk State College President Dr. Angela Garcia Falconetti introduced staff from JDA and thanked them for hosting the Board of Directors. Von McGriff, Lake Wales Campus Director, shared the building's history and the campus's current and future visions.

Dr. Falconetti went on to discuss:

- The 2024 Report to the Community
- 2025 Legislative Agenda
- Haines city-Davenport Campus Media Spotlights
- 60 Years of Excellence – Polk State College
- WFA Renovations & Ribbon Cutting

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chair David Fisher discussed the following:

- The Nominating Committee Meeting will be meeting this spring.
- Suggestions for New Board Members 2025-2026 were asked to be brought to the Foundation.
- A Legoland Representative is on hold until they get back to us with a candidate.
- A DBOT Representative is to be chosen in the future as well.

CAPTRUST REPORT

Scott Lowke of CapTrust presented their quarterly statement.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Foundation CFO Joanie Malone reviewed the following:

- Executive Summary
- Statement of Activities
- Statement of Financial Position
- Expense Authorization Policy

DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Development Director Wendy Whitehead-Venters advised everyone that A Night of Legacy – Diamond Edition is scheduled for April 17, 2025, and exciting preparations are underway. Dr. Warner added that the event is almost sold out, and it will be Polk County's premier event to include a memorable dining experience.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Steve Warner, VP of Resource Development and Executive Director of Polk State College Foundation, spoke of the following:

- New staff members Trey Heath, Director of Development and athletics, and Lance Ferguson, Communications Manager, were introduced.
- Dr. Warner advised that the Capitol Campaign contract is moving forward with Carter Global, and staff will meet with them shortly to discuss the plan of action.
- Board Members were reminded that their help in Scholarship Application Reviews and Fancelli Scholarship Presentations are needed.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

Adjournment

Chair David Fisher adjourned the meeting at 1:13 pm.

Board Minutes were recorded by Steven S. Warner, Vice President, Resource Development and Executive Director Polk State College Foundation, and prepared by Executive Assistant Gail Spence on February 7, 2025.

David Fisher
Foundation Board Chair

Steven S. Warner, Ed. D.
Vice President, Resource Development
and Executive Director PSC Foundation