



The Peninsula's Community College

Thomas Nelson Community College Board

Special Called Meeting

**Wednesday, September 1, 2021
Peninsula Workforce Development Center, Rooms 1301-1303
600 Butler Farm Road, Hampton, VA 23666
5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES NO. 444

PRESENT:

Mr. Curtis Bethany, III	Mr. Allan Melton
Ms. Mary Bunting	Dr. Linda Reviea
Ms. Izabela Cieszynski (V)	Dr. Jonathan Romero
Mr. Ed Durham	Mr. Scott VanVoorhees (V)
Dr. Joyce Jarrett (V)	Dr. Vince Warren
Mr. Michael Kuhns	Dr. Donna Woods
Mr. John W. McMillan, Jr.	

STAFF AND GUESTS:

Mr. Franz Albertini, Workforce Development
Dr. Porter Brannon, President
Dr. Brian Brown, Brand Federation
Ms. Cynthia Callaway, Institutional Advancement
Mr. Steven R. Carpenter, Finance and Administration
Ms. Rain Chandler-Dovis, Brand Federation
Ms. Erica Charity, Office of the President
Ms. Marian Clifton, Public Safety, Allied Health and Human Services
Dr. Charles DeSassure, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
Mr. Steven Felker, Institutional Research and Effectiveness
Mr. Paul Long, Public Safety, Allied Health and Human Services
Mr. Kelly O'Keefe, Brand Federation
Dr. Kris Rarig, Student Affairs
Sgt. Kathy Shannon, Campus Police
Mr. Mark Speece, Brand Federation
Ms. Rachel Street, Brand Federation
Ms. Lisa Vernon-Sparks, Daily Press

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

By roll call vote in open session, the following members were in attendance:

Mr. Curtis Bethany, III
Ms. Mary B. Bunting
Ms. Izabela Cieszynski
Mr. Ed Durham
Dr. Joyce M. Jarrett
Mr. Michael Kuhns
Mr. John W. McMillan, Jr.
Mr. Allan Melton
Dr. Linda Reviea
Mr. Jonathan Romero
Mr. Scott Van Voorhees
Dr. Vince Warren
Dr. Donna Woods

II. Public Comments

No public comments

III. Board Chair Comments

Chair Warren reminded everyone of the proposed names in alphabetical order.

- Harbor Bridge Community College
- Two Rivers Community College
- Virginia Peninsula Community College

IV. Review of Recommended College Names

Mr. O'Keefe from Brand Federation was asked to share their perspective and a view of marketing opportunities for each name. A presentation with the significance of each proposed college name was shared.

Each local Board member provided their opinion and preference.

It was moved (C. Bethany) and seconded (I. Cieszynski) that the Thomas Nelson Community College Board recommend the name Virginia Peninsula Community College as a potential new name.

By roll call vote, the following members approved the motion.

Mr. Curtis Bethany, Ms. Mary Bunting, Ms. Izabela Cieszynski, Mr. Ed Durham,
Dr. Joyce Jarrett, Mr. Michael Kuhns, Mr. John McMillan, Jr., Dr. Linda Reviea,
Dr. Jonathan Romero, Dr. Vince Warren, Dr. Donna Woods

The motion was approved.

Chair Warren asked for a Board affirmation for the name itself. By affirming the name Virginia Peninsula Community College as a Board, shows supports and acknowledges the effort that went into getting to this point.

It was moved (M. Kuhns) and seconded (A. Melton) to accept the name of the recommendation of Virginia Peninsula Community College by acclamation.

By roll call vote, the following members approved the motion.

Mr. Curtis Bethany, Ms. Mary Bunting, Ms. Izabela Cieszynski, Mr. Ed Durham,
Dr. Joyce Jarrett, Mr. Michael Kuhns, Mr. John McMillan, Jr., Mr. Allan Melton,
Dr. Linda Reviea, Dr. Jonathan Romero, Mr. Scott VanVoorhees, Dr. Vince Warren,
Dr. Donna Woods

The motion was approved.

Chair Warren thanked everyone for their attendance.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.