MEETING: Board of Trustees, Georgia Military College, Usery Community Conference Room, Monday, April 22, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Randall A. New, Chairman of the Board; Members: Mr. George Hogan Sr., Mr. Mike Cobb, Rev. Tony Fraley, Mr. Ken Vance, Ms. Doris Renfroe, The Honorable Mary Parham-Copelan, LTG William B. Caldwell, IV, President of Georgia Military College; Mr. Dudley Rowe, Chair of the GMC Foundation, COL Tom Torrance, Chair of the GMC Alumni Association and other interested parties.

BUSINESS:

1. Chairman of the Board, Randall A. New, having already declared a quorum to be present, called the meeting to order.

2. Chairman New asked for a motion for the minutes of the meeting on January 22, 2019 to be approved. Mr. Cobb made the motion, with Mr. Hoganseconding the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

3. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman New asked the Board if there were any objections to moving the July 15, 2019 Board meeting to July 22, 2019 due to one of the presenters scheduled for that meeting not being available on July 15th. There were no objections and the meeting is now scheduled for July 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Usery Community Conference Room.

Chairman New asked COL Pam Grant, Preparatory School Principal, to share some of the Prep sports team’s recent accolades. The following is a summary of her report:

- Three teams are going to state this week
  - Girls/Boys Soccer – Tuesday, April 23 starting at 5:30 pm (Home)
  - Baseball – Thursday, April 25 starting at 4:40 pm (Home)
  - Rifle Team – Saturday, April 27 starting at 8 am (Away)

4. Mr. Hogan yielded to COL Jim Watkins, Chief Financial Officer, to provide the finance committee update.

5. COL Watkins informed the Board that the Finance Committee met on March 28th and reviewed the finance committee report. COL Watkins then presented a finance committee update. The update included the following:

- FY19 Financial Statement Audit
- FY19 State Amended Budget
- FY20 State Budget: General Fund and Capital Budget
- Comparison of State FY19 Funding to FY20 Funding
- FY20 Budget Assumptions/Dual Enrollment
- FY20 Cost Drivers
- FY20 GMC Budget
- FY20 Scholarship Overview-Prep School
- FY21 Tuition Proposal, Preparatory School
- Looking Ahead, FY21

A copy of this complete report is attached and made a part of these minutes.
6. Chairman New asked for a motion for the approval of the resolution requesting state bond (GSFIC) requests as presented by COL Watkins. Mr. Vance made the motion, with Mr. Hogan seconding the motion. The resolution requesting state bond requests was approved by unanimous vote.

7. Chairman New asked for a motion for the approval to increase the Preparatory School FY21 tuition for school year 2020-2021 from $5,250 to $5,475. Mr. Hogan made the motion, with Mayor Parham Copelan seconding the motion. The tuition increase for school year 2020-2021 was approved by unanimous vote.

8. Chairman New asked for a motion for the approval of the FY20 GMC Budget (pending the Governor’s approval/signature) as presented by COL Watkins. Mr. Cobb made the motion, with Mr. Hogan seconding the motion. The FY20 GMC Budget was approved by all Board members except for Mr. Vance.

9. COL Jim Watkins, Mr. Mark Weaver, Prep School Fine Arts Director, and Mrs. Jenny Morris, Musical Theatre teacher briefed the Board on a proposal for the GMC Fine Arts Center for Education (FACE). The proposed facility is 30,000 sq. ft. with a theater, classroom spaces, and a large area for receptions and art displays. The current facility that is being used for our fine arts programs is the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts. The Goldstein Center is used by the Preparatory School (6-12 grades), Junior College, and the Corps of Cadets. GMC would like to explore the idea of an additional facility in order to accommodate the growing interest and participation in the fine arts. Currently, we have explored the idea of potentially funding the facility by asking 1/3 funding from the State, 1/3 funding from the GMC Foundation, and 1/3 funding from the Institution. The Board gave their approval for General Caldwell and the GMC Team to further explore the possibility of building a GMC Fine Arts Center for Education (no vote was taken).

10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

General Caldwell briefed the Board members on the following:

- GMC Milledgeville now offers preparatory programs for the U.S. Service Academies. For school year 2019-2020, we will have 8 United States Military Academy scholars, 6 United States Naval Academy scholars, and 5 United States Air Force Academy scholars. We won’t know the total number of United States Coast Guard Academy scholars until this summer, but anticipate it will be at least 20 scholars.

- General Caldwell extended an invitation to the Board members to attend the following events:
  - Legally Blonde the Musical on April 25-27 at 7 p.m. in the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts.
  - Mother’s Day Parade on May 10th at 8 a.m. on Grant Parade Field. Guest speaker is MG Maria Britt, former Commanding General of Georgia’s Army National Guard.
  - The Law Enforcement Memorial Event on May 15th at 7:40 a.m. on Grant Parade Field. Guest speaker is COL Mark McDonough, Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Safety; to be followed by an Appreciation Luncheon meal to be given to all LE officials.
  - Memorial Day Parade on May 17th at 8 a.m. on Grant Parade Field. Guest speaker is Senator Mike Dugan, Majority Leader, Georgia State Senate.
  - GMC Milledgeville Junior College Commissioning Ceremony on May 23rd at 4 p.m. Guest speaker is MG Frank Muth, Commander of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.
  - GMC Milledgeville Junior College Graduation on May 24th at 10 a.m. at the GMC Activity Center. Guest speaker is MG Gary Brito, Commanding General of the U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning.
  - GMC Preparatory School Graduation at 7 p.m. on Grant Parade Field. Guest speaker is Mr. Rob Posner, Chief Executive Officer of NewDay USA.

- The Prep School High Adventure Leadership Program (HALP) now has 33 students (including females) in the program from grades 6th and 7th. Looking to expand one more grade next year. There are 7 students on track to receive their Eagle Scout next year.

- Prep School senior class has about 10% of their class that has received an ROTC scholarship and one senior who has been accepted into the United States Air Force Academy.
- Kaylon Farley, Prep school graduate from last year, has received his appointment to the United States Coast Guard Academy after completing a year in the prep program.

- There is a Milledgeville City Council meeting on Tuesday, April 23rd. They are going to discuss the topic of speed monitoring devices in school zones. Georgia Military College fully supports this effort and will have a presence at the meeting.

- We will play one of our junior college football games this fall at Doughboy Stadium at Ft. Benning. The game is on September 22nd at 1 p.m. against the College of DuPage. There will be more details to follow.

- We will have our first associate degree and BAS graduates from our GMC Albany campus this spring.

- Our 4th and 5th grade classes for the next school year are full and now have students on a waiting list. Our 3rd grade class has 39 of 40 seats already taken. As our 3rd-5th grade enrollment fills up and those students return each year, the Prep school’s 3rd grade and 6th grade classes are starting to be the only years where there will be available slots for new students to attend. The Future Bulldogs program already has a total of 19 students over each of the next three years who have signed up and paid to attend 3rd grade.

- We’re still working to establish additional pathways for students with associate degrees to complete their BAS degree. Spring Faculty Assembly is on May 3-4th and our faculty will be voting on some of the initiatives related to this program.

- Please hold Thursday, August 1st available on your calendars so that you can attend the dedication ceremony for the Prep School Annex.

- Our #1 focus/priority for our “Grow enrollments” strategic initiative this coming year, and several beyond, will be our Online Campus. With the slight decline in in-seat students and the decrease in state funding for the dual enrollment program, GMC’s Online Campus is where we predict the next growth in GMC. We will also focus on recruiting veterans and their families.

As a part of the President’s Report, Mr. Jeff Gray, Vice President of Engineering, gave a facilities update that included property updates, current projects, and future projects. A copy of this report is attached and made a part of these minutes.

11. The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for July 22, 2019.

12. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

[Signatures]

Randall A. New
Chairman

Doris Renfroe
Secretary-Treasurer

Reviewed by: LtGen. William B. Caldwell, IV
President, Georgia Military College