

MEETING: Board of Trustees, Georgia Military College, Bulldog Room, Friday, May 18, 2018, 11 a.m.

PRESENT: Randall A. New, Chairman of the Board; Members: Mr. George Hogan Sr., Rev. Tony Fraley, Mr. Ken

Vance, The Honorable Mary Parham-Copelan, LTG William B. Caldwell, IV, President of Georgia

Military College; and other interested parties.

ABSENT: Ms. Doris Renfroe, Mr. Mike Cobb

## **BUSINESS:**

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

2. DISCUSSION - Best Practices in Institutional and Board Communications

Dr. Jeannie Zipperer briefed the Board on the SACSCOC standard of Board self-evaluation (4.2g). This standard is required by the board to define and evaluate its responsibilities and expectations. Dr. Zipperer asked the Board to read this new standard and ask questions for clarification.

President Caldwell reminded attendees the purpose of this Board meeting is to conduct a Board self-evaluation in the area of Communications. The desired outcome is to set expectations and establish agreed-upon communications between the Institution and the Board. Specifically, the outcome is to identify what GMC is communicating to the Board that the Board seeks to keep and sustain and what communications does the Board want but not receiving? In addition, identify communications from the Board GMC seeks.

President Caldwell opened the session with a review of the GMC Mission & Vision statements. The Mission & Vision statement drive everything we do as an institution. The following are the items the Board desired.

## Sustain these Communications

- Weekly email updates (Prep School, Athletics and the JC Corps of Cadets. Other updates as they are written and shared with others.)
- Special announcements (Sports teams recognitions, student recognitions, etc...)
- For the Milledgeville Campus, email notification on incidents occurring locally that Board members
  could be asked about in the community. The notifications would go out only after the information is
  known and being shared with others.

## Improve/Add these Communications

- Notification of properties being purchased by GMC before they're purchased (will conference call Board members with this information)
- Annual legal update as it would pertain to GMC (number of cases a year, wins/losses, cost)
- GMC campus crime statistics on annual basis
- Summary of decisions made during the Strategic Planning Conferences
- Invitation to attend GMC's Semi-Annual Strategic Planning Conferences

President Caldwell reviewed the agenda items scheduled for each of the four annual Board meetings. He let the Board members know that in addition to the items standard at each meeting, we can always add reports to a meeting agenda if requested, and adjust as needed.

President Caldwell asked the Board members to contact him with any questions or concerns as they arise. If any Board members receives information pertaining to GMC requiring clarification, General Caldwell asked the Board members to please contact him immediately.

Board members were reminded they have been invited and will continue to be invited to our semi-annual Strategic Planning Conferences. The Strategic Planning Conferences are a key time and place for GMC to synchronize all efforts at our 15 campuses.

## Further Discussion

- Board participation at events (parades, special recognitions, GA Day, etc...)
- Review the GMC Bylaws
  - o Chairman New appointed a committee to review the GMC Bylaws. Mr. Hogan was appointed Chair of the committee, with Mr. Cobb as a member. Dr. Zipperer will also attend to offer a legal and SACSCOC perspective.
- Reestablish the minority scholarship committee for next school year.

There were other items some members of the Board raised and would like to discuss at another date and time in a work session with the President. A work session was scheduled for Sunday, May 20, 2018 at 4 p.m. in the President's Conference Room.

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

Randall A. New Chairman

Doris Renfroe

Secretary-Treasurer

Reviewed by:

LtGen. William B. Caldwell, IV President, Georgia Military College