



Board of Trustees Meeting

Virtual, Via Zoom

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members of the public may attend at the Lakewood Campus, Bldg. 19, room 124

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Special Meeting: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Special Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Vice Chair Buchanan called the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees for Clover Park Technical College (CPTC) to order on May 20, 2026 at 10:30 a.m., followed by introductions.

Board of Trustees Present (on-line):

Adria Buchanan, Vice Chair

Jesus Villegas Rivera

Alice Phillips

Tong Zhu

College President (on-line): Dr. Joyce Loveday

AAG (on-line):

John Clark, Interim AAG x

Excused Absences:

Justin Kjolseth, AAG

Eli Taylor

Executive Team (on-line):

Catherine Purcella, Senior Executive Director of Advancement and Strategic Communication

Dr. Tom Broxson, VP for Instruction

Dean Kelly, VP for Student Success

Amelia Grayson, VP for Finance and Administration

Ilesha Valencia, Associate VP for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Dr. James Neblett, Associate VP for Human Resources and Culture

Adoption of the Agenda**MOTION:**

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Trustee Phillips and seconded by Trustee Villegas Rivera. The motion was approved unanimously.

Public Comments

Christopher Saucedo introduced himself as a faculty member from the automotive program and a union representative. He stated that he believes this is a very important topic. He has been a supporter of Dr. Loveday, but that things are not great at CPTC. He said the relationship between the staff and administration are strained. There is a lack of trust, and a breakdown of communication. He believes the college is very much going in the wrong direction and hears comments about this daily. He believes that this is a cultural problem. For this reason, he would like to see external candidates considered in the selection process. In conclusion, he wanted to state that the problems are not just from administration. Instructors have made errors as well.

New Business

Trustee Buchanan welcomed thoughts and comments from trustees regarding the presidential search process.

Trustee Phillips noted that she hopes that candidates will be looked at with the best interests of the college and students in mind. She wants to assure that any headhunter costs are reasonable, and wants to ensure process transparency. Trustees Buchanan and Villegas Rivera agreed.

Trustee Buchanan stated that she wants to create a small committee to develop the president search process, including looking into Mr. Saucedo's comments.

Trustee Villegas Rivera agreed with those plans and also wants to include committee members at different levels of the college to provide different perspectives.

A motion was made and seconded to have two trustees work on a subcommittee to develop a president search process. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed and clarified that the committee formed to support the presidential search will serve in an advisory role, providing recommendations for the Board's consideration during

a future open public meeting. The Board will retain final decision-making authority. The committee may add members, but no more than two trustees may serve on it.

Trustee Zhu moved that the Board of Trustees form a committee to develop recommendations to provide to the Board of Trustees regarding the process and timeline for selecting CPTC's next president. Trustees Buchanan and Philips will serve on the committee and will expand the committee to include a few representatives from the college. The motion was seconded by Trustee Villegas Rivera. The motion was approved unanimously.

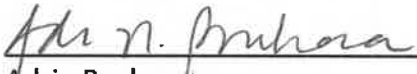
Adjournment

MOTION:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:47 a.m. was made by Trustee Phillips and seconded by Trustee Villegas Rivera. The motion was approved unanimously.



Dr. Joyce Loveday
President
College District Twenty-Nine



Adria Buchanan
Chair, Board of Trustees
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