

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MIDDLESEX COLLEGE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 15, 2025

The scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Middlesex College was held at 8:30 a.m. in the Perth Amboy Center located at 60 Washington St, Perth Amboy, NJ and on Zoom. Board members present were: Mmes. Buteas, Delgado, Madhukar Roman and Ruiz, and Messrs. Anderson, Oras, Paluri, Sica and Taffet. Mr. Finkelstein was absent. Also present were President McCormick, General Counsel Mr. Hoffman, Vice Presidents Ms. Coffaro, Dr. Herron, Dr. Laureano, Dr. Miller, Chief Financial Officer Mr. Maltino, Human Resources Executive Director Ms. Stephen, Facilities Management Executive Director Mr. Deak, Associate Director Media Services Mr. Rosario and Assistant Secretary Ms. Roa.

In compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided as follows:

- (a) On September 17, 2025, advance written notice of this meeting was posted in the lobby of Chambers Hall and the College Center.
- (b) On September 17, 2025, advance written notice of this meeting was emailed to the Home News Tribune and The Star Ledger.
- (c) On September 17, 2025, a copy of this advance notice of the meeting was filed with the Clerk of the Middlesex County Board of County Commissioners.
- (d) On September 17, 2025, a copy of this advance notice was filed with the President of Middlesex College.
- (e) Any individual who has requested notice of this meeting has been forwarded a copy of the notice of such meeting.

MINUTES

Mr. Paluri moved, seconded by Mr. Oras, to adopt the minutes of the September 17, 2025 Board of Trustees regular meeting.

After discussion, the motion was approved.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Angelo Abreu, Assistant Dean, Urban Satellite Centers and Community Initiatives, gave a presentation on both the College’s Perth Amboy Center and New Brunswick Center. The staff at the Centers are committed to providing educational and training opportunities and comprehensive student enrollment support services to a culturally diverse population. They maintain collaborative partnerships within the local community to offer support and enhance students’ experience.

COMMENTS FROM THE TRUSTEES

Mr. Anderson asked about the best method of getting the word out to bring students into the Centers. Mr. Abreu reported that community engagement such as meeting with local organizations is beneficial in helping to spread the word. He also added that all mailings from both Centers are sent out in both English and Spanish.

Mr. Anderson commented that he liked the idea of both the New Brunswick Center and Perth Amboy Center swapping employees which allows a different experience. Mr. Abreu reported, in response to a question from Mr. Anderson regarding whether students have been hesitant to provide information about their residency, that that he has not and reiterated that the Centers follow FERPA guidelines and always protects the privacy of their students.

Mr. Paluri thanked Mr. Abreu for his presentation and shared that there are many underserved communities in the County. He asked whether the College has considered expanding the services offered at the Centers. Mr. Abreu reported that he has been successful in expanding program such as the Success Bound programs that have served both South Amboy and Carteret. Many districts from outside the county have reached out to him but he stated that the main driver of the success of both centers are the people that work there.

Mr. Taffet thanked Mr. Abreu for his presentation and providing urban residents access to so many resources.

Ms. Buteas commented that she enjoyed hearing about all the partnerships that are taking place at the Centers. She asked about potential growth opportunities at the Centers. Mr. Abreu reported that the Centers get their charges from the College leadership but will continue to seek more opportunities by pushing those business and community partnerships.

Ms. Roman commented that she has worked closely with the Perth Amboy Center and added that the staff make the difference by making important connections. She added that many of the staff were instrumental in helping students fill out their FAFSA forms. She has witnessed their kindness and patience and thanked them for all that they do.

Mr. Oras thanked Mr. Abreu for his presentation and congratulated the staff at the Centers for a job well done.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Dr. Miller reported that this month includes three resolutions. She identified the need for and relevance of the following resolutions.

Mr. Anderson moved, seconded by Mr. Taffet, for adoption of Resolutions 1 through 3.

1. WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Middlesex College (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and Middlesex Count Workforce Development Board, (hereinafter referred to as "County") have entered into a contract for the operation of a project entitled MIDDLESEX COUNTY ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER CAREER SERVICES

CONTRACT for the period commencing September 1, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, a proposal MIDDLESEX COUNTY ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER CAREER SERVICES CONTRACT has been submitted by the College administration and agreed to by the County in the amount of \$1,545,445.00; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 18A:64A-12J grants the Board the power to enter into contracts which it deems necessary and advisable with the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the operation of a project entitled MIDDLESEX COUNTY ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER CAREER SERVICES CONTRACT is consistent with the philosophy and purpose of the College,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- a. The Board approves the proposal for the project entitled MIDDLESEX COUNTY ADULT DISLOCATED WORKER CAREER SERVICES CONTRACT as submitted by the administration of Middlesex College to the County for the period commencing September 1, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2027 in the total amount of \$1,545,445.00.
- b. The Board herein ratifies the contract executed by the College President and/or his designee to implement the project.

2. WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Middlesex College (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and Office of the Secretary of Higher Education of NJ , (hereinafter referred to as "OSHE") have entered into a contract for the operation of a project entitled COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANT STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE for the period commencing July 1, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a proposal COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANT STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE has been submitted by the College administration and agreed to by OSHE in the amount of \$161,653.00; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 18A:64A-12J grants the Board the power to enter into contracts which it deems necessary and advisable with the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the operation of a project entitled COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANT STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE is consistent with the philosophy and purpose of the College,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

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- a. The Board approves the proposal for the project entitled COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANT STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE as submitted by the administration of Middlesex College to OSHE for the period commencing July 1, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2026 in the total amount of \$161,653.00.
- b. The Board herein ratifies the contract executed by the College President and/or his designee to implement the project.

3. WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Middlesex College (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and New Jersey Council for the Humanities, (hereinafter referred to as "NJCH") have entered into a contract for the operation of a project entitled FUELING COMMUNITY JOURNALISM THROUGH NJ COMMUNITY COLLEGES for the period commencing May 22, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a proposal FUELING COMMUNITY JOURNALISM THROUGH NJ COMMUNITY COLLEGES has been submitted by the College administration and agreed to by NJCH in the amount of \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 18A:64A-12J grants the Board the power to enter into contracts which it deems necessary and advisable with the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the operation of a project FUELING COMMUNITY JOURNALISM THROUGH NJ COMMUNITY COLLEGES is consistent with the philosophy and purpose of the College,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- a. The Board approves the proposal for the project entitled FUELING COMMUNITY JOURNALISM THROUGH NJ COMMUNITY COLLEGES as submitted by the administration of Middlesex College to NJCH for the period commencing May 22, 2025 and concluding June 30, 2026 in the total amount of \$20,000.00.
- b. The Board herein ratifies the contract executed by the College President and/or his designee to implement the project.

After discussion, the motion was approved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Maltino reported that the Finance Committee met on October 8, 2025 to discuss various matters consisting of resolutions for contracts, vendor payments, and other financial matters at the College and recommends approval of the following seven resolutions.

Mr. Taffet moved, except for Resolutions 6.a. and 6.b. He abstained on those resolutions. Mr. Oras moved Resolutions 6.a. and 6.b. Seconded by Mr. Paluri for adoption of Resolutions 1 through 7.

1. WHEREAS, The College is authorized to obtain goods or services and participate in cooperative pricing systems available pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.9 and 11a of the County College Contracts Law, and N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2b(3) applicable to the College;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following contract(s) be authorized under the provisions of cooperatives currently in effect for purchases exceeding the quote threshold of \$8,980.00:

<u>COOPERATIVE</u>	<u>CONTRACT NUMBER</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
ESCNJ	22/23-12	Storr Tractor	Ground equipment, parts, and supplies	\$15,000.00
ESCNJ NJSC	22/23-08 25-COMG-94091 25-COMG-94102 25-COMG-94142 25-COMG-94154 25-COMG-94164	Business Furniture Inc.	Furniture for the Urban Centers funded by Title V grant funds	\$147,349.40
NJSC	21-TELE-01506	ePlus Technology	Core switch hardware and installation	\$392,278.00

- (1) ESCNJ – Educational Services Commission of New Jersey
- (2) NJSC – New Jersey State Contract

2. BE IT RESOLVED, That based on the recommendation of the Director of Purchasing and the Chief Financial Officer, awards be authorized to the following vendors pursuant to a fair and open process:

- a. RFP 10908 for the second-year renewal of travel management services for the period of November 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026:

Newark Gateway Travel Services, Inc., West Caldwell, NJ at a fee of \$35.00 per booking for the total not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.00, of which less than \$10,000.00 is attributable to the booking fees.

3. WHEREAS, The College has a need to obtain goods and services as Business Entity Disclosure contracts pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.5.a.; and

WHEREAS, The Director Purchasing has determined and certified in writing that the value of each acquisition exceeds \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the vendors will complete and submit Business Entity and Political Contribution Disclosures certifying that the vendors have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the State of New Jersey / County of Middlesex in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the vendors from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That based on the recommendation of the Director of Purchasing and the Chief Financial Officer, contracts be authorized to the following vendors, contingent upon receipt of the completed disclosures for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, unless otherwise stated:

- a. Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., Whippany, NJ for professional insurance brokerage services at the commission rate of 4% of the premium for the dental insurance policy commencing January 1, 2025.
- b. Jotform Inc., San Francisco, CA for web-based software for campus forms for the not-to-exceed amount of \$17,742.00 for the period of October 23, 2025 through October 22, 2026.

4. WHEREAS, The College has a need to obtain employee dental insurance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.5(11); and

WHEREAS, The Director of Purchasing has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition exceeds \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Insurance carriers are statutorily prohibited from making political contributions and as such, are not subject to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That based on the recommendation of the Director of Purchasing and the Chief Financial Officer, the Board of Trustees approve the renewal proposal submitted by Cigna Health and Life Insurance Co., Pittsburgh, PA, for the not-to-exceed amount of \$527,767.00 for the policy period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

5. BE IT RESOLVED, That based on the recommendation of the Executive Director of Facilities Management and the Chief Financial Officer, payment be authorized to the following firms:

- a. Power With Prestige, Inc., Newton, NJ for construction services in conjunction with the Billy Johnson Hall Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement project in the amount of \$100,800.00.

Contract Amount	\$117,000.00
Previous Payments	4,500.00
Payment #2	17,100.00
Payment #3	<u>83,700.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$11,700.00</u>

- b. Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc., Hamilton, NJ for construction administration services in conjunction with the College Center, Edison Hall, Johnson Learning Center, & Raritan Hall Restroom Renovation projects in the amount of \$1,345.00.

Contract Amount	\$13,450.00
Previous Payments	6,725.00
Payment #6	<u>1,345.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$5,380.00</u>

- c. Johnson and Urban, LLC., Colts Neck, NJ for construction administration services in conjunction with the Billy Johnson Hall RTU Replacement project in the amount of \$4,875.00.

Contract Amount	\$6,500.00
Contract Increase Amount	5,500.00
New Contract Amount	12,000.00
Payment #1	<u>4,875.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$7,125.00</u>

- d. Northeastern Interior Services, Little Falls, NJ for construction services in conjunction with the College Center, Edison Hall, Johnson Learning Center, & Raritan Hall Restroom Renovation projects in the amount of \$167,670.00.

Contract Amount	\$1,774,615.00
Previous Payments	539,739.00
Payment #5	<u>167,670.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$1,067,206.00</u>

- e. Design Resources Group Architects, AIA, Inc., Somerset, NJ for construction administration services in conjunction with the Performing Arts Center Theater Lighting & Rigging Replacement project in the amount of \$43,350.00.

Contract Amount	\$60,000.00
Payment #1	<u>43,350.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$16,650.00</u>

- f. Estock Piping Company LLC, Chesterfield, NJ for construction services in

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conjunction with the Billy Johnson Hall Boiler Replacement project in the amount of \$90,959.32.

Contract Amount	\$285,260.00
Previous Payments	177,187.68
Payment #3	<u>90,959.32</u>
Balance	<u>\$17,113.00</u>

6. BE IT RESOLVED, That based on the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, payment be authorized to the following firm:

- a. Weiner Law Group, LLP, Parsippany, NJ for legal services rendered regarding labor matters for the month of May 2025 in the amount of \$7,812.50.
- b. Weiner Law Group, LLP, Parsippany, NJ for legal services rendered regarding labor matters for the month of August 2025 in the amount of \$2,625.00.

7. WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Middlesex College and the County of Middlesex entered into an Inter-Local Agreement for the implementation of a project entitled the Middlesex County Community, Innovation and Opportunity Strategic Investment Plan ("CIO Project"), and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-12J grants the Board of Trustees the power to enter into contracts which it deems necessary and advisable with the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions, and

WHEREAS, The County of Middlesex invoiced Middlesex College for capital costs associated with the CIO Project;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of Middlesex College authorize the issuance of reimbursements to the County of Middlesex in the amount not-to-exceed \$7,000,000.00.

After discussion, the motion was approved.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Ms. Stephen reported that this month includes 27 recommended items in total. A summary of the action items are listed below.

Mr. Oras moved, seconded by Ms. Roman, for adoption of all resolutions in the categories of Hires, Change of Status, Separations, and Miscellaneous.

A.	<u>Hires</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
	Administrative	1
	Confidentials	1

	Support Staff	4
B.	<u>Change of Status</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
	Administrative	4
	Faculty	1
	Confidentials	1
	Support Staff	3
C.	<u>Separations</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
	Support Staff	2
	Grants	1
D.	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
	Faculty	4
	Support Staff	1
	Grants	3
	Handbook Update	1
A.	HIRES	

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Name: Soraya Cortes
 Department: Facilities Management
 Title: Manager, Facilities Projects
 Salary: \$87,380
 Effective: 10/1/2025

CONFIDENTIALS

1. Name: Valerie Zuluaga
 Department: Human Resources
 Title: Human Resources Assistant
 Salary: \$46,026
 Effective: 10/1/2025

SUPPORT STAFF

1. Name: Ariadna Benites-Cueva
 Department: Business and Computer Science
 Title: Department Assistant
 Salary: \$47,627
 Effective: 10/1/2025

2. Name: Stephanie Bordenabe
 Department: Hospitality, Culinary Arts and Dietetics
 Title: Lab Coordinator
 Salary: \$39,689

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Effective: 10/1/2025

3. Name: Melany Munoz
 Department: ESL, Languages and Cultures
 Title: Department Secretary
 Salary: \$42,129
 Effective: 10/1/2025
4. Name: Gabrielle Perdomo
 Department: Facilities Engineering
 Title: Department Assistant – Facilities Engineering
 Salary: \$47,627
 Effective: 10/1/2025

B. CHANGE OF STATUS

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Name: Gregory Arfin
 Department: Information Technology
 Action: Promotion
 Title: Senior Systems Administrator
 Salary: \$87,380
 Effective: 10/1/2025
2. Name: John Kelly
 Department: Marketing and Communications
 Action: Promotion
 Title: Web Developer
 Salary: \$79,294
 Effective: 10/1/2025
3. Name: Marilyn Ochoa
 Department: Library and Tutoring Services
 Action: Title change only - salary remains the same
 Title: Library and Tutoring Services Director
 Effective: 9/2/2025
4. Name: Joseph Pascale
 Department: Library and Tutoring Services
 Action: Title change only - salary remains the same
 Title: Assistant Director for Tutoring Services
 Effective: 9/2/2025

FACULTY

1. Name: Phyllis Fleming
 Department: Business and Computer Science

Action: Reduced Teaching Load – Fall 2025 (9 credits)
 Salary: \$96,466

CONFIDENTIALS

1. Name: Marlena Marulli
 Department: Workforce Development and Lifelong Learning
 Action: \$500/Month Stipend – Additional Responsibilities
 Effective: 10/1/2025 – 9/30/2026

SUPPORT STAFF

1. Name: Keith Dunford
 Department: Facilities Maintenance
 Title: Senior HVAC Technician
 Action: Change to Second Shift from First Shift
 Salary: \$88,184 + \$3,132 (shift differential) = \$91,946
 Effective: 9/29/2025
2. Name: Julius Gonzalez
 Department: Facilities Maintenance
 Title: Mechanic I - General
 Action: Change to First Shift from Second Shift
 Salary: \$64,170
 Effective: 9/29/2025
3. Name: Barbara Mrowiec
 Department: Custodial Services
 Title: Custodian/Boiler Operator
 Action: Change to First Shift from Third Shift
 Salary: \$41,319
 Effective: 10/14/2025

C. SEPARATIONS

SUPPORT STAFF

1. Name: James D. Jones
 Department: Custodial Services
 Action: Resignation
 Effective: 9/29/2025
2. Name: Jennifer Reyes Martinez
 Department: Academic Affairs
 Action: Resignation
 Effective: 9/12/2025

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1. Name: Yovanka Rajkovic
 Department: Veterans Services
 Action: Resignation
 Effective: 10/17/2025

D. MISCELLANEOUS

FACULTY – ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION

1. Name: Vincenzo Cicerale
 Department: Hospitality, Culinary Arts and Dietetics
 Reason: Contact Overload – Academic Year 2025-2026
 Payment: \$2,334.76
2. Name: Kim Krapels
 Department: Radiography
 Reason: Contact Overload – Academic Year 2025-2026
 Payment: \$3,639.89
3. Name: Brian McInerney
 Department: Hospitality, Culinary Arts and Dietetics
 Reason: Contact Overload – Academic Year 2025-2026
 Payment: \$2,825.27

FACULTY COMPENSATION – IX-M

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>PAYMENT</u>
Glenn Briceno	Engineering Technologies	IX-M#915 Electrical Engineering Lab Update/Refresh	\$7,200
Raymond Dademo	English	IX-M#884 Reading Placement Scoring	\$748.97
Alexandra Fields	English	IX-M#884 Reading Placement Scoring	\$1,422.50
Lorna Joasil	History and Social Sciences	IX-M#910 FirstGen Initiative Summer Programming	\$500
Daniel Markowicz	English	IX-M#887 Writing Placement Scoring	\$304.62
Ellen Shur	English	IX-M#887 Writing Placement Scoring	\$470.50
Celia Winchester	English	IX-M#887 Writing Placement Scoring	\$473.52

SUPPORT STAFF – AFSCME SALARY CHANGES

BE IT RESOLVED that the following American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union Local #2269 salary listing be approved effective with the August 15, 2025 pay period, through June 30, 2026 beginning with the name **Yovanny Moscoso Huaman** and ending with the name **Yovanny Moscoso Huaman**:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u> <u>2025/2026</u>	<u>BASE SALARY</u> <u>INCREASE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>SALARY</u>
Yovanny Moscoso Huaman **	\$50,783	\$750	\$51,533

*Associate's Degree

**Bachelor's Degree

***Master's Degree

GRANTS – ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION

1. Name: Spencer McCray
 Department: Center for Justice Impacted Students
 Reason: Juvenile Justice Commission
 Payment: \$4,000

2. Name: Spencer McCray
 Department: Center for Justice Impacted Students
 Reason: Middlesex County Juvenile Detention Center Grant
 Payment: \$7,000

3. Name: Spencer McCray
 Department: Center for Justice Impacted Students
 Reason: MOSAIC
 Payment: \$5,100

HANDBOOK UPDATE

WHEREAS, The College offers a personnel policies handbook for grant sponsored and special project employees to acquaint employees hired in those roles with certain Middlesex College policies and benefits; and

WHEREAS, The College reviews all personnel handbooks on a regular basis to ensure currency of the materials within and alignment among all personnel support materials; and

WHEREAS, a recent review of the grant sponsored and special employee's handbook found areas that could be updated and revised to allow for better alignment with the existing Full-Time Management Personnel Handbook and to contain updated compliance information; and

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WHEREAS, an inventory of those adjustments, attached to these materials, was reviewed with the Human Resources Committee at their meeting on October 8, 2025, with no objections raised to the proposed adjustments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees accepts the proposed changes to the Middlesex College Personnel Policies Handbook for Grant Sponsored and Special Project Employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the production and dissemination of copies of the revised Middlesex College Personnel Policies Handbook for Grant Sponsored and Special Project Employees to all appropriate departments and impacted employees.

After discussion, the motion was approved.

GENERAL

Mr. Taffet moved, seconded by Mr. Anderson, for adoption of Resolutions 1 and 2.

1. Based on the recommendation of Middlesex College Board of Trustees Vice Chair Gary Taffet, the President's expenses for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2026 are approved.

2. WHEREAS, as a result of the New Jersey First Act (Senate Bill No. 1730, P.L. 2011, Chapter 70), effective September 1, 2011, certain classifications of persons holding employment or position with a public agency, including public higher education institutions, will have 365 days within which to establish a principal residence in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the residency requirement within the 365-day period shall render the person unqualified to continue to hold the public employment or position; and

WHEREAS, Middlesex College is a border county and relies on the ability to recruit from out-of-state; and

WHEREAS, the residency requirement would seriously impede Middlesex College's ability to recruit employees and compete successfully with similar educational institutions in this and other states;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Exemption Report be filed with the appropriate State officials and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the President to amend the Report and file it with the State as appropriate.

After discussion, the motion was approved.

REPORT OF COUNSEL

No report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. McCormick thanked Mr. Abreu and staff at both Centers for all of the work that they do. He also shared an enrollment update and commented on various events that have occurred on campus. He congratulated Chairman Praful Raja for being honored by the Edison Chamber of Commerce as Citizen of the Year.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY

Sandy Castor, Department Head of Economic Development thanked Mr. Abreu for his presentation. She also added that if the Centers were interested in pursuing business opportunities she would be happy to make an introduction to Sho Islam, Director of Office of Business Engagement and Ebony Williams from Office of Workforce Career Development.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Charlie Kratovil, editor of New Brunswick Today, a community newspaper, commented on a potential expansion of the New Brunswick Center campus.

FINAL REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dr. McCormick invited the Trustees to attend the HSE Graduation Ceremony being held today at 6 p.m. in the West Hall, Parkview room. He thanked the County for its partnership, as well as Executive Director of Workforce Development and Lifelong Learning, Natasha James-Waldon. He also invited the Trustees to attend the College's Annual HarvestFest which will be held tomorrow Thursday, October 16, 2025.

The Annual meeting and next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will take place on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Dorothy K. Power Boardroom and on Zoom with the link to be posted on the College website.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

ROBERT P. SICA
SECRETARY

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