



Enterprise Campus Authority Board

MINUTES

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Barton Campus, Administration Building 123, Paul and Ann Batson Executive Board Room 134

Members Present

Paul Batson
Tom Britt
Jo Hackl
Hunter Howard
Dean Jones
Ray Lattimore, Chair
Ray Martin
Dr. Burke Royster
Coleman Shouse
Keith Smith
Kenneth Southerlin
David Stafford

Members Absent

Staff Present

Eric Bedingfield
Kelvin Byrd
Jacqui DiMaggio
Julie Eddy
Dr. Joshua Friesen
Artie Hammond
Susan Jones
Dr. Matteel Knowles
Becky Mann
Dr. Keith Miller, President
Dr. Larry Miller
Lauren Simer
Wendy Walden
Ann Wright

Guests

Keith Munson, Rimom Law
Chad Cousins, GT Foundation Board Chair

Chair Lattimore called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. and welcomed board members, staff, and guests. Chair Lattimore announced that the press had been notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. Chair Lattimore acknowledged that the agenda was posted on the GTC website, and a quorum of board members was present.

CMI Update

Mr. Byrd provided CMI highlights. The full presentation is attached.

- CMI received the Society of Manufacturing Engineering (SME) Workforce Development Innovations Award, created to celebrate organizations driving meaningful change. The college is part of an initiative along with 25 other technical colleges, preparing individuals to go into manufacturing and skilled trades throughout the country to meet demand.
- Approximately 14% of CMI students are participating in some type of partnership with manufacturing currently.

- CMI has a high graduation and employment rate. All students in the four-year degree program are currently working in industry.

Summer 2025 enrollment is up 27.3% with 345 students. Fall 2025 enrollment is currently at 442 students. At the start of Fall 2025, CMI will have all of mechatronics, electrical engineering, 50% of engineering design, and machine tool technology located within the facility.

The Advanced Manufacturing Program currently has 70 students because of graduating students in Fall 2024. Going into Fall 2025, CMI is projecting 134 students continuing in the program. This does not include the potentially 150 to 170 new students expected to enter the program Fall 2025. Space and equipment are available to accommodate the students; however, more instructors will be needed.

BMW is leading the charge with an apprenticeship program with the college and hires the majority of graduates.

Approval of the January 15, 2025 Minutes

Ms. Hackl made a motion to approve the January 15, 2025, minutes as presented. Dr. Royster seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Old and New Business

Mr. Stafford gave a shout-out to the college for hosting the NAMIWalks event at the Barton Campus, with approximately 400 people raising \$100,000 to provide mental health support and education classes, and for being a valued member of the community in many ways.

There being no other business, Ms. Hackl motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Shouse seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.