

North Florida College District Board of Trustees Summer Workshop Minutes

July 29, 2026

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MINUTES: July 29, 2026

MEETING: NORTH FLORIDA COLLEGE, SUMMER WORKSHOP
LIVE OAK, FLORIDA

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Ricky Lyons
Mr. Billy Washington
Mr. Malcolm Hines
Mr. Michael McWaters
Mr. Daniel Tillman

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Mr. Travis Coker
Ms. Adrienne Taylor
Mr. Gary Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Larry Akers
Tyler Coody
David Dunkle
Allison Finley
Dani Mays
Traci McClung
Dr. Jennifer Page
Micah Rodgers
Lynn Wyche
Rachel Collazo, Recording Secretary

Mr. Mitchell Herring, Board Attorney

The summer workshop was called to order at 9:00am by Chair Lyons.

President Page welcomed everyone and opened the discussion with an overview of the agenda and encouraged the Board to ask questions regarding anything they would like to discuss.

The following items were discussed by each department head.

ENROLLMENT REVIEW

Vice President Dani Mays presented the following:

Office of Communications Department:

1. Data was shared on enrollment by month, term, program level, gender, online versus face to face as well as other ways of reporting.
2. A new NFC app developed by Computer Services showed how we are simplifying, updating and creating the policy manual and eventually the Board documents on our website.

NEW PROGRAMS

Vice President David Dunkle presented the following:

Degrees and Certificates

- Career Certificate in Electrician (1500 Hours)
 - Electrician Helper (300 Clock Hours)
 - Residential Electrician (450) Clock Hours)
 - Commercial Electrician (450 Clock Hours)
 - Industrial Electrician (300) Clock Hours
- Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education (60 Credit Hours)
 - Florida Professional Teacher Certification
 - ESOL & Reading Endorsements
 - Applied Mastery & Support
 - Instructional Impact
 - Ethical Impact
 - Civic Impact

Industry Certification

- National Center for Construction Education & Research (NCCER)

SAFETY AND SECURITY UPDATE

Vice President Tyler Coody and Director of Campus Security Larry Akers presented the following:

ARMOR ACT:

- Signed May 2026, now in Effect
- Extends K-12 safety to FCS Institutions
- Division workgroup underway

How we got here:

- FSU shooting
- Commissioner's FCS Lockdown Assessment
- SUS Safety Summit
- Commissioner's Summit-HB 757 signed

Guardian Program:

- What it does
- Why it matters

Section 2-Firearm discharge near an institution

Section 3-Mobile suspicious activity reporting (FortifyFL)

Section 4-Amends FS 1003.25 Maintenance & transfer of student threat records

Section 5-Amends FS 1006.07 Records may now move between agencies, district & colleges

Section 6-Creates FS 1006.601 The ARMOR Act-eight obligations for every FCS institution

- Plans we must adopt and certify every year
 - Active assailant response plan
 - Annual training certification
 - Family reunification plan
- Threat management, assessments, and student support
- NFC's Current Status
 - Excellent relationships with all emergency response agencies at all locations
 - Accessibility
 - Contracted security-DSI

LAWFULLY PRESENT

Vice President Lynn Wyche and NFC Attorney Mitchell Herring presented the following:

- What Florida residency determines
 - In state of out of state tuition
 - Student eligibility of certain state benefits
 - Institutional compliance during audits or reporting
- Goal
 - Protect students and the College by applying the law consistently
- Lawfully Present Status
 - Verifies immigration status when required
 - Separate legal determination
 - Based on Federal immigration law and Florida Statute/FLDOE Rule
- Form changes
 - Complies with Florida Statute 1009.21, 222.17 and State Board Rule 6A-10.044
- NFC residency declaration form compliance

VISITORS ON CAMPUS POLICY REVIEW

President Page and NFC Attorney Mitchell Herring brought up the discussion of visitors on campus for review.

ATTORNEY

Mr. Mitchell Herring presented the following for discussion regarding Sunshine Law:

- Florida College System Governance
- The Role of Trustees
 - Act as a Unit
 - Represent the Common Good
 - Set Policy Direction and Standards
 - Employ, Evaluate and Support the President
 - Setting the Climate for the College
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- General Requirements For Public Officers
 - Annual Financial Disclosure
 - Public Officer Standards of Conduct
 - Voting
 - Voting Conflicts
- Overview of Public Records Law
- Overview of Sunshine Laws

Break 10:13 to 10:30

Lunch 12:03-12:32

Meeting Adjourned at 1:03pm

Dr. Jennifer Page
President

Ricky Lyons
Chair