The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that we have begun the search to identify the next President of Pitt Community College (PCC). The Board is committed to conducting an equitable, inclusive, and transparent national search that will attract a strong and diverse pool of candidates from throughout North Carolina and the nation. The Board has selected the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) to assist us with the Presidential search process. ACCT’s assistance will include providing support with the development of the Presidential Profile, recruiting highly competitive candidates, and working extensively with the Board. ACCT has conducted over 750 community college searches and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our process. ACCT’s mission is to strengthen community college governance through education and advocacy. Mr. Kennon Briggs will serve as our ACCT Search Consultant and will assist the Board, Search Committee, and college community throughout this important process. His bio is located at: Kennon Briggs

Public Forums - Presidential Profile Development

An important step in the presidential search process is the development of a Presidential Profile. On March 13, we will host a total of two (2) Public Forums. The purpose of the sessions is to listen to your input, which will assist with the development of the Presidential Profile. The entire College community is invited and encouraged to participate in a discussion about the qualities, characteristics, and qualifications we are seeking in our next President and the opportunities and challenges facing Pitt Community College in the years to come. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to ask questions about the presidential search process. The Public Forums will be facilitated by Mr. Kennon Briggs, ACCT Search Consultant.

We invite everyone to attend one of two, in-person, one-hour Public Forums on March 13, 2024:

- 12:00 Noon in G Henry Leslie 143 Auditorium
- 5:00 p.m. in G Henry Leslie 143 Auditorium

Please share this information with those who have an interest in Pitt Community College and wish to attend. No RSVP is needed.
In addition to the public forums, we have developed a brief electronic survey that we hope you will complete if you are unable to attend one of the forums. The anonymous responses to the survey will also be used to inform the development of the draft Presidential Profile. The survey is available here:


Please submit your Survey feedback no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) on March 14, 2024.

The Presidential Search Committee

The Presidential Search Committee will review the confidential applications, interview semifinalist candidates, and identify the final candidates to be submitted to the Board of Trustees for consideration. The Presidential Search Committee is comprised of the following members:

- Mr. Charles Ellis
- Mr. Gary Evans
- Dr. Steve Lassiter
- Mr. Josh Lewis
- Dr. Ina Rawlinson
- Dr. Patti Sanders-Smith
- Dr. Bill Sypawka
- Mr. Dan Taylor

Final Candidates

The Board will interview the final candidates and all finalists will participate in open forums at Pitt Community College. We anticipate the open forums taking place in late May and we will provide the dates, times, and location once they are confirmed. All employees, students, and community members will be invited to attend the open forums. Feedback forms will be provided to all attendees, and the completed forms will be collected at the end of each forum and provided to the Board for review as part of its deliberation process.

Recruitment

Our recruitment efforts will involve an open and thorough national search seeking qualified candidates from all regions of the country. ACCT specializes in one-to-one targeted recruitment of community college leaders. Additionally, to assist with this process, advertisements will be placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education and other major publications and websites.

Presidential Search Webpage

The PCC website will include information on all aspects of the search, both for the College community and candidates. The Presidential Search webpage will be developed in the coming weeks and will include key information including the timeline, regular progress reports, information on how to apply, etc.
We will continue to keep you updated on this important process. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to our ACCT Search Consultant: Mr. Kennon Briggs, ACCT Search Consultant, kennondb@gmail.com, (919) 621-7988 (mobile).