HCC Foundation adds board members

HOLYOKE — HCC Foundation, Inc., the nonprofit fundraising arm of Holyoke Community College, has added seven new members to its Board of Directors and elected a new slate of officers.

At the HCC Foundation’s annual meeting on Dec. 8, held over Zoom, the Foundation board voted in the following new directors for three-year terms, four of whom are HCC alumni:

- Nikki Burnett ’91 of Springfield, executive director, EduCare Springfield;
- Cynthia Shea Desroches ’18 of South Hadley, treasurer/manager, Holyoke Postal Credit Union;
- Kip Foley, of Holyoke, entrepreneur;
- Deana McPherson ’90 of Granville, chief Financial Officer, Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc.;
- Frank Newton of Chicopee, leader/teacher, Music Department, Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School;
- Israel Rivera ’16 of Holyoke, area studies program manager / Center of Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies, UMass Amherst;
- Michael Roundy of Westfield, attorney/partner, Bulkley, Richardson & Gelinas.

“We are thrilled to welcome this group of talented individuals to the HCC Foundation Board of Directors,” said Amanda Sbriscia, HCC’s vice president of Institutional Advancement and executive director of the HCC Foundation. “Their breadth and depth of expertise, along with that of our entire board, will have a tremendous impact on the Foundation’s ability to make an immediate and lasting difference in our community.”

Also at the Dec. 8 annual meeting, Corey Murphy of South Hadley, president of First American Insurance Agency, was elected board chair; Susan Goldsmith of Longmeadow, president of Marcus Printing, was elected vice chair; Meghan Parnell-Gregoire of Holyoke, vice president/business lending center manager for PeoplesBank, was elected treasurer; and John McAndrew of Holyoke, financial advisor for Edward Jones, was elected secretary.