

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

Regular Session Minutes

December 9, 2009
10:00 AM

CCCS - Lowry

I. CALL TO ORDER 11:32am

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Members Present: Bernadette Marquez – Chair, Tamra Ward – Vice Chair, Wanda Cousar (via phone), Maury Dobbie, Patty Erjavec, Barbara McKellar, Meg Porfido (via phone), Dr. John Trefny, Ledy Garcia-Eckstein, Dr. Todd Bergren – State Faculty Advisory Council representative

Members Absent: Mandy Beatty – State Student Advisory Council representative

Dr. McCallin addressed the Board, Presidents and guests, acknowledging the good work and service of Michelle Salazar, former executive assistant to the president, and introducing Claire Kuhns, current executive assistant.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS (5 min)

- A. Approval of Minutes

Maury Dobbie made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Barbara McKellar seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of Agenda

Barbara McKellar made a motion to approve the agenda with modifications. Barbara asked that the following modifications be noted of record: 1) table Consent Agenda Item VI.E. *Modification of BP 3-15 and BP 3-16* for further review, and 2) move Consent Agenda Item VI.C. *NJC and CNCC Bond Resolution for the Sale of and Refinancing of Existing Bonds* to section V. Discussion and Action Items. John Trefny seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Recognition of Patty Erjavec and Barbara McKellar

Bernie Marquez recognized Patty Erjavec and Barbara McKellar for their years of service and commitment to the SBCCOE, which has been reflected in their eight years of service to the board. Dr. McCallin spoke to their leadership, vision, and commitment. Bernie read and presented each of them with board resolutions and gifts of appreciation.

- Barbara McKellar provided a brief overview of her history on the board, noting examples of the exciting work undertaken by the board over the past eight years and acknowledging the current and past CCCS presidents and senior staff members.
- Patty Erjavec concurred with Barbara's statements acknowledging the earlier years and all that they have seen come to fruition during their terms.

The members of the board, college presidents, senior staff and guests gave Barbara and Patty a standing ovation, recognizing their years of service to the SBCCOE.

III. REPORTS (30 min)

A. Board Reports

- Student Representative, Mandy Beatty
 - Due to Mandy's absence, no report presented.
- Faculty Representative, Dr. Todd Bergren
 - Dr. Bergren shared that the semester of "incredible enrollments" is coming to an end, noting that spring enrollments are up, as well.
 - Developmental Math pilot programs are in place at various colleges within the System. At the end of the first year, the programs will be reviewed and the best program will be introduced system-wide.
 - An ad campaign is being developed, which includes both CTE instructors and academic faculty. Brochures are being developed and there is the possibility of billboard advertising.
 - At the November board meeting, Dr. Bergren spoke to the impact of the recent campus visits by the board and how he believed it would benefit faculty to visit/tour other campuses and share best practices with other faculty. To

that end, Dr. Bergren is working to implement a campus visit and tour as part of the 2-to-2 conference, which is held in the spring and the fall. Discipline groups would go to a designated campus to hold their meeting and then tour the campus and share information.

- System President, Dr. Nancy McCallin
 - Dr. McCallin acknowledged Dr. Dan Lucero, CACTE Director, for his years of service and contributions. Dr. Lucero is retiring as CACTE Director after 38 years of service in CTE and student organizations. Dr. McCallin and Bernie Marquez presented Dr. Lucero with a plaque thanking him for the collaborative partnership CCCS has had over the years with CACTE. Dr. Lucero thanked the Board for their support of career and technical education as well as the presidents for their college-level support of the same.
 - Dr. McCallin distributed an FTE report and spoke to the fall and spring enrollment figures, noting that fall 2009 enrollment was up 18.9% for residents and 19.2% for non-residents. The spring 2010 enrollment currently reflects a 52% increase with both resident and non-resident enrollments growing at about the same rate. Dr. McCallin noted that this increase is a testament to the strong work at the colleges. It is assumed that the increase reflects students enrolling earlier in order to secure the classes they need, and that the degree of increase will probably level out as spring registrations progress. The strongest growth is at Red Rocks Community College and Colorado Northwestern Community College. The spring 2010 increase reflects a 63% gain over this same period two years ago.
 - A copy of Dr. McCallin's recent presentation at the JBC hearings was provided to the members of the board for their review. Dr. McCallin noted that enrollment was the main topic of discussion throughout the hearings.
 - John Trefny questioned COF stipends going to private institutions. Dr. McCallin called on Mark Superka, CCCS Budget Director, to address Dr. Trefny's question. Mark shared that students at private institutions must be Pell eligible to receive

COF stipends and then the stipend is only half the amount awarded to students at public institutions.

- Dr. McCallin shared information from the recent CDC Hearings, noting that all cash funded projects were approved.
- Dr. McCallin shared that she recently attended the Equine Center opening at Lamar Community College and the ground breaking for the Spruce Hall Nursing, Health Technology and Science addition and renovation at Morgan Community College. She will be attending the ground breaking for the new science building at Front Range Community College – Larimer this Friday, December 11.
- The new executive director of the Colorado Department of Higher Education, Rico Munn, is being honored at a reception December 15. Dr. McCallin reminded the members of the Board and the Presidents that they are invited to attend.
- An update on Arapahoe Community College’s presidential search concluded Dr. McCallin’s report.
 - Barbara McKellar, presidential search committee board representative, noted that video interviews are being conducted this week with prospective candidates. Barbara acknowledged Karen Bleeker, CCD president, and Lance Bolton, NJC president, for giving of their time as participants on the search committee.

B. Presidents’ Reports

- None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. None

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (10 min)

- A. Bond Resolutions for the Sale of NJC and CNCC Bonds and Refinancing of Existing Bonds

Barbara McKellar made a motion to approve the bond resolutions for the sale of NJC and CNCC bonds and refinancing of existing bonds as presented. Patty Erjavec seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

- A. Preschool through Elementary and Secondary Education Standards
- B. Moffat County 38-acre Conveyance to Affiliated Junior College District
- C. Conditional Approvals of Career and Technical Education Programs

Tamra Ward made a motion to approve the items as presented. Wanda Cousar seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Tamra Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05pm for lunch followed by Executive Session pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402 (3)(a)(II) to confer with the Board's attorney concerning personnel and legal matters. Ledy Garcia-Eckstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402 (3)(a)(II) the Board held an executive session to confer with the Board's attorney concerning legal matters.

Tamra Ward made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Ledy Garcia-Eckstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 2:31pm per a motion by Patty Erjavec. The motion was seconded by Barbara McKellar and passed unanimously.