

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL  
EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
November 9, 2011

Red Rocks Community College  
13300 West Sixth Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80228  
Learning and Resource Center – Marvin Buckels Library

I. CALL TO ORDER (10:55am)

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

**Members Present:** Maury Dobbie, Chair, Dr. John Trefny, Vice Chair, Ledy Garcia-Eckstein, Jim Johnson, Bernie Marquez, Rich Martinez, Meg Porfido, Ken Weil, Ruth Ann Woods, Stephanie Irwin, State Faculty Advisory Council representative and Josh Deines, State Student Advisory Council representative.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Minutes
  - Regular Meeting of September 14, 2011

Bernie Marquez made a motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2011, as presented. Ledy Garcia-Eckstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of Agenda

Jim Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Meg Porfido seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS

- A. Board Reports
  - Student Representative, Josh Deines
    - Following are updates from the SSAC leadership's board presentation, which Mr. Deines referred to for his report to the board:

- An overview of the purpose of SSAC was presented to the board along with a list of the recently elected 2011-2012 officers.
  - The following are examples of just a few of the colleges' student government projects presented to the board: "Operation ACC Completion" where students, faculty, administration, family members, and friends are encouraged to sign-up and show their support for completing an associate's degree or program certificate; FRCC Boulder campus held an Alcohol Awareness event where students learned about the consequences of over-consumption from representatives of the Longmont Police Department; and OJC's student organization, in conjunction with the cosmetology academy, will be sponsoring their eighth annual "cuts for cans" food drive to benefit area food banks. For three canned food items, patrons receive a free haircut.
  - Highlights from the recent Student Leadership Conference were shared, specifically the reading service project and book drive, where 4800 children's books were collected and distributed to four different elementary schools within the Adams 12 school district. Additionally, a video was presented showing the students reading to kindergarten and first grade Adams 12 students and working with them on their art project based on the book, Elephants Can Paint, Too.
  - In closing, the SSAC leadership spoke to the board regarding the proposed changes to the Pell Grant and the impact on students.
- Faculty Representative, Stephanie Irwin
  - Dental faculty and students volunteered their services Oct. 21-22 as part of Brush, Colorado's annual free dental clinic. The free clinic is designed to provide services to any person who cannot afford dental care. Patients are evaluated and treated based on their most urgent dental needs. Treatments include cleanings, fillings, root canals, extractions and limited partial dentures.
  - From a personal perspective, Ms. Irwin shared with the Board the importance of the Tuition Assistance Program, noting that her daughter is able to attend the Community College of Denver because of the Program.

- In closing, Ms. Irwin shared that Cynthia Hier, CCCS HR Director, met with SFAC members during their November meeting to discuss the impact of impending health care regulations on adjunct teaching loads. The recently enacted health care reform has a clause that becomes effective 2014, which states that any employee that works at least 30 hours per week must be paid health care benefits. This means that adjunct instructors will be limited in the number of classes they will be able to teach resulting in the need to hire more adjunct instructors, or possibly full-time faculty.
- System President, Dr. Nancy McCallin
  - Dr. McCallin shared that the Auraria Campus recently hosted President Barack Obama, asking that Cliff Richardson expound on the event later in the meeting.
  - Dr. McCallin shared that enrollment is now slowing down. Fall 2011 headcount is relatively flat (up 0.3%) and full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment is down 1.6%. She noted that this does not come as a surprise but rather was expected after four years of strong gains. Additionally, two colleges made administrative changes that reduced their enrollment by roughly 3% at each college. Overall, fall headcount is 91,902 and FTE is 26,803. Non-residential enrollment continues to grow, up 5% in headcount, to 9,437.
  - On October 24 and 25, CCCS and CDHE co-hosted the Colorado Community College Summit, a two-day event filled with national speakers looking at all facets of our mission and how to build and improve on best practices. The second day was college-focused with workshops on enrollment management and providing time for the colleges to work in teams on how to implement best practices to better assist our students to succeed.
 

Over 200 were in attendance, with representatives from the SBCCOE, the CCCS Foundation Board as well as CCHE members, the Lieutenant Governor, CDE members, members of the General Assembly, K-12 Superintendents, local government Commissioners and Mayors, and heads of local foundations. Dr. Frank Chong, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Colleges at the U.S. Department of Education, was one of the opening speakers.
  - In addition to the two-day Summit, the Ed Services division hosted a faculty-to-faculty conference in Pueblo with over 600 faculty in attendance; a healthcare-related

faculty-to-faculty conference with over 60 in attendance; and a SSAC student leadership conference with over 264 in attendance. The SSAC leadership participated in a literacy reading project with Adams County 14 school district where SSAC students were paired with elementary schools in Commerce City for a reading exercise with kindergartners and first graders. The SSAC leadership also held a book drive, collecting over 4,000 books for the Adams County students.

- Dr. McCallin provided an update on grants received in the last month, noting that \$23 million in grants were received through Federal and Philanthropic organizations.
  - The board was previously provided information on the TAA Department of Labor grant, an award of \$17.3 million, which is the largest grant award received in CCCS history.
  - In addition to the TAA grant, the Department of Corrections was just notified that they received the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Act grant, an award of \$747,000, to implement information technology programs (Cisco Networking Academies) in seven correctional facilities. This is an extension of our offender education program.
  - A grant of \$200,000 from the NSF was awarded to a consortium of CCCS, the Colorado Coalition for Gender and IT and the National Center for Women and IT, to assist with the recruitment and retention of CCCS faculty and advisors for IT careers.
  - WICHE received a \$550,000 grant to develop our interstate transfer program. This is the next generation of transfer agreements, which will allow students the opportunity to transfer the core block to any public institution in the 15 WICHE states.
  - The Gates Foundation seems very interested in our NANSLO work (remote labs for online science courses). Dr. Anderson received a call after presenting at a conference in Indianapolis, asking that we submit a continuation grant. The Gates Foundation will be awarding an additional \$1 million to five of the existing Next Generation Learning Challenges.
  - Trinidad State Junior College received a \$3.875 million award from the US Department of Education

to increase the number of Hispanic and other low-income students attaining degrees in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields and to develop model transfer and articulation agreements between the 2-year and 4-year Hispanic-serving institutions in such fields.

- Dr. McCallin announced that Trinidad State Junior College, Pikes Peak Community College, Lamar Community College, Northeastern Junior College, and Colorado Northwestern Community College all received notice that their nursing programs have met the requirements to receive national accreditation. All 12 nursing programs are now either accredited or recommended for accreditation.
- We currently have 8 statewide articulation agreements with two more pending approval by the CCHE in December – anthropology and French. In addition, four more will go before the CCHE in March or April 2012 for approval – English, Philosophy, Physics, and Art History.
- Dr. McCallin brought the board’s attention to the press release in their hand carry files regarding the CU Admission Promise which allows community college students joint admission and advising.
- Dr. McCallin shared that she recently attended ribbon cutting ceremonies at CCA-Lowry (West Quad renovation) and FRCC Longmont (Student Success Center). On Thursday, November 10, Dr. McCallin will attend the opening of the ACC Castle Rock campus.
- First Lady Michelle Obama honored Community College of Denver student, Salvador Flores. Flores is one of four Hispanic students to receive the 2011 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award.
- Dr. McCallin congratulated Dr. Michele Haney on being recognized by the West Chamber as an “outstanding woman in Jefferson County”. The West Chamber will honor Dr. Haney at its *10<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrate Women in Jefferson County* event in early December.
- Dr. McCallin provided an overview of all the unique and interesting events that were provided for the members of the Board during their tours of the colleges in September and October. All 13 colleges were visited with presentations and programs that ranged from livestock judging to experiencing Ethiopian cuisine.

- Audit Committee Report, Dr. John Trefny
  - Dr. Trefny reported that the Audit Committee met on September 24. Hotline calls were discussed; minor issues had been dealt with and settled.
  - He shared that audits were on schedule and that the Internal Audit department is auditing the process each college has in place to ensure CTE credentials are issued only to qualified instructors and that files are maintained with appropriate documentation.
  - There are no major problems or issues with internal audits.
  - In closing, Dr. Trefny shared that the State Audit Report will be presented at the February 2012 board meeting.

#### B. Presidents' Reports

- **Cliff Richardson, CCD Interim President**, shared that President Barack Obama visited the Auraria campus two weeks ago. The event was hosted by CU Denver. Mr. Richardson commended Chancellor Jerry Wartgow for providing VIP tickets to all interested students on the Auraria campus, including CCD students.
- **Felix Lopez, TSJC President**, shared that the Early Childhood accreditation was going well. Additionally, the Alamosa campus recently held a "welcome back" event for alumni and anyone who had taken even just one class at the campus. The community responded well with approximately 130 in attendance.
- **John Marrin, LCC President**, spoke about a Historic Preservation program. The curriculum has been endorsed and field experience will be available.
- **Dr. Diana Doyle, ACC President**, shared that ACC recently hosted faculty and administration from the Ukraine. The Ukrainian guests were very interested in the technology available to our students, taking notes and pictures. Dr. Doyle noted that it was a learning experience for everyone involved.
- **Dr. Linda Bowman, CCA President**, shared that CCA recently hosted 6 Europeans from a transatlantic exchange program through the German Marshall Memorial Fund. The program includes spotlights on education, health care, art and culture.

To commemorate Veteran's Day, Dr. Bowman announced that US Representative Ed Perlmutter will host a screening of a new documentary, entitled *Operation Detachment: Stories from Iwo Jima*. The documentary, which was produced for the Library of

Congress and filmed by CCA students, presents the stories of nine Colorado WWII veterans who fought at the battle of Iwo Jima. The film will be shown at the Centre Tech campus at 12:00n, Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

- **Jim Rizzuto, OJC President**, shared that OJC recently received two grants for a total of \$10.3 million. One of the grants, STEM related, is in partnership with TSJC.

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A. No members of the public were present to address the Board.

#### **V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

A. No items were carried forth from the Work Session

#### **VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Pueblo Community College – Student Center Expansion

B. Community College of Denver – Student Learning and Engagement Building

C. Community College of Denver – Interagency Ground Lease

D. Community College of Denver – St. Francis Center Purchase

E. Enrollment Management Project

F. Modification to BP3-60, Tuition Assistance Program

G. Lamar Community College – Residence Hall Technology Fee

H. Advisory Council Nominees: Otero Junior College

- Ryan Davis for a full term commencing November 1, 2011
- Lorene Nelson for a full term commencing November 1, 2011

I. Advisory Council Nominee: Pikes Peak Community College

- Fletcher Howard for a full term commencing December 1, 2011

J. Advisory Council Nominee: Morgan Community College

- Nicole Johnson-Hoffman for a full term commencing November 1, 2011

K. Advisory Council Nominees: Front Range Community College

- Joni Friedman for a full term commencing August 31, 2011
- Patrick Kelly for a full term commencing August 31, 2011
- Sandra Steiner for a full term commencing August 31, 2011
- Kay Miller for a full term commencing November 1, 2011

Bernie Marquez made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Ruth Ann Woods seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Med Porfido made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:25a.m. Ruth Ann Woods seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.