

**STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

MINUTES

December 12, 2007

10:30 AM Regular Session

Arapahoe Community College

I. CALL TO ORDER (5 min)

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Members present: : Barbara McKellar, Chair, Wanda Cousar, Patty Erjavec, Jenny Hopkins, Bernadette Marquez, Jerry Nickell, John Trefny, Tamra Ward, Michael Milhausen, Shawn Olsen

Members absent: David Taylor

II. GENERAL BUSINESS (5 min)

- A. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of November 14, 2007

Jenny Hopkins moved to approve the November 14, 2007 minutes as presented. John Trefny seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of Agenda

Tamra Ward moved to approve the agenda as written. John Trefny seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS (25 min)

- A. Board Reports
 - Student Representative, Shawn Olsen

Shawn Olsen reported that Rep. Merrifield attended the last SSAC meeting to discuss some upcoming legislation for the new session. Students of all the campuses are working on the "Get Out The Vote" campaign. Additionally, students are continuing their work on the text book campaign. The bill is in the final stages of development and there will be a large press event with legislators to announce the bill. The event will also include a roundtable discussion with students.

- Faculty Representative, Michael Milhausen

Michael Milhausen noted that SFAC has been working with Cindy Hesse, CCCS Human Resources Director, on a faculty component of an employee survey to be released in February.

Mr. Milhausen continues his visits to campuses across the state. He noted that faculty is discussing the concepts of concurrent enrollment on their campuses and he urges decision makers to take those discussions into consideration when discussing concurrent enrollment policies.

- System President, Nancy McCallin

1. New President at Red Rocks Community College - Dr. McCallin offered congratulations to Dr. Michele Haney on being selected as the new RRCC president. She also expressed appreciation to the board members, college and community representatives who served on the search committee.

2. Community College of Denver Presidential Search - Finalists have been announced. Thank you to the board members who served on that search committee. Dr. McCallin noted that Interviews will take place in the next week and an announcement should be forthcoming after the first of the year.

3. Lamar Community College Presidential search - Dr. McCallin stated that this search is just getting underway and the committee will be formed this week.

4. Enrollment - Dr. McCallin noted that the fall '07 FTE enrollment showed a 2.9 increase which demonstrates a very strong turn around in non-resident rates. We are also seeing a strong growth at the rural schools as well as increases at FRCC, RRCC & PPCC. Non-resident FTE is up over 20%. Spring enrollment is up as well with overall FTE up 3% after half of the registrations have been received.

5. Rural funding bill - CCCS was fortunate to get good support in the press for the bill being carried by Abel Tapia in the Senate. We are receiving very positive legislative support as well.

Community support is gaining with many Chambers of Commerce signing on in support. Because we are looking at general fund for this effort, it is not a given, but we are making good progress.

6. Tamra Ward spoke about surveys that are being planned between the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce and CCHE to determine what education issues are foremost to people across the state. The general feeling is that funding solutions are more likely to come from legislative support rather than through voter support.

7. Campus visits - Dr. McCallin reported that she had made a very successful visit to Pueblo Community College along with David Skaggs from CCHE. The visit included media coverage which showed Mr. Skaggs the importance of the school to the community. Dr. McCallin, along with Barbara McKellar and John Trefny, also made visits to Morgan Community College and Northeastern Junior college.

8. Dr. McCallin noted that NJC received a national award for their auto body program. She also announced that Barbara McDonnell, Community College of Denver, is currently visiting China with a delegation from CCD to discuss the partnership with their sister college and the Confucius Institute.

- AHEC Committee, Tamra Ward

Tamra Ward noted that there were two focal points at the last meeting: the science building and master planning. During the capital development funding, the dollars for the science building were cut in half and there was a great deal of discussion regarding making up the shortfall. There have been some discussions among the three institutions about bringing in additional private dollars. There were also discussions about utilizing private funding sources on an ongoing basis. The master planning process is moving along rapidly. AHEC

has issued a Request For Proposal and there have been discussions regarding modifying the view plan for building heights.

- Audit Committee, Patty Erjavec

Patty Erjavec reported that the financial statements will be ready for release at the February audit committee meeting and preliminary numbers will be available in January. A new webpage was developed in order to implement the new concerns hotline. Demonstrations on how to use the hotline will begin after the first of the year. The committee is now developing a risk analysis and IT audit plan and CVA audits are wrapping up. She also noted that John Trefny has agreed to join the audit committee.

B. Presidents' Reports

Karen Reinertson, Front Range Community College, presented Mike Nelson's new book, Colorado Weather Almanac, which was developed in conjunction with FRCC faculty. The media staff and students worked on the layout and design of the book. Ms. Reinertson also noted that FRCC will need to move the Brighton campus operations. The county building which is currently being used has mold and other health and safety concerns. The City of Brighton has purchased a hospital and has plans to renovate it to include use by FFRC. For the first 5 years, FRCC's lease would require remodeling costs but no lease payments. Ms. Reinertson wanted to let the board know that a decision may need to be made prior to the February board meeting. FRCC feels it needs to have a presence in Brighton since that is the area where the majority of growth in Adams County is taking place. The new building also gives the opportunity to offer lab science courses which they don't currently have.

C. Board Chair Comments

Chairman McKellar noted that David Taylor's term on the board expires at the end of December. She expressed appreciation to Mr. Taylor for his support and efforts over the years and wished him the best of luck on behalf of the board.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. There were no members of the public wishing to address the Board.

V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

- A. Transfer Colorado First and Existing Industries, Kristin Corash
- B. Advisory Council Nominations.
 - Otero Junior College Ardeth Sneath
 - Lorene Nelson

Jenny Hopkins moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Tamra Ward seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to CRS 24-6-402 (3) (b) (1) to discuss personnel issues.

Patty Erjavec moved that the board adjourn to lunch and a campus tour of Arapahoe Community College, after which the board would reconvene in executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402 (3)(b)(1). John Trefny seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT