

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

**February 13, 2008
1:30 PM Regular Session**

Community College of Aurora

- I. CALL TO ORDER 1:55 pm**
A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Roll Call

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

Members absent: None

- II. GENERAL BUSINESS (5 min)**
A. Approval of Minutes
Regular Meeting of December 12, 2007

Jerry Nickell moved to approve the minutes as presented. Wanda Cousar seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of Agenda
Bernie Marquez and John Trefny moved to approve the agenda as presented.

III. REPORTS (25 min)

A. Board Reports

- Student Representative, Shawn Olsen SSAC

Shawn reported that SB73 Textbook Affordability Act looks like it will make it out of the Senate and move on to the House. SSAC is also going forward with requests for information to several health insurance companies on behalf of community college students so that next year the SSAC can get a formulized health plan for all community college students.

The ASC meets this Saturday in Ft. Collins. They will be voting on several things. One is a resolution to support Governor Ritter's request for budget increase for higher education. Last year the SSAC requested and lobbied above the governor's request and it was approved. This year the SSAC decided to support the governor's request because it is quite a large increase. The budget comes up on Monday, March 3, so students are getting together on Sunday, March 2 for an instructional section for the student leaders of the group, including Shawn. The SSAC will have a lobby day on Monday with hundreds of students rallying. The students will then break off to meet with individual senators and both local and JBC representatives regarding the increase in higher education funding.

SSAC meets on Friday March 7 at Arapahoe. The Executives of SSAC will be leaving on March 8th for Washington, DC to attend a National Student Government Leadership conference. Keynote speakers will be senators and the Assistant Director of the Department of Education and others. The SSAC executive leaders have scheduled appointments to meet with senators and congressmen while there. The plan is to return Tuesday, March 11. As a reminder, Rising Stars will be at PPCC April 11.

- Faculty Representative, Michael Milhausen – No report.

B. Board Chairman's Remarks

- David Taylor Resolution – Barbara McKellar read the proclamation put together by the Board

C. Presidents' Reports

- Presidents wishing to address the Board

Ruth Ann Woods, TSJC

Ruth Ann excitedly announced a new partnership with TSJC that involves PPCC. PPCC will be offering a general education component to the Line Technician Program taking to Co Springs. TSJC's Line Tech Program is also in partnership with Co Springs Utility. Ruth Ann noted that the media reads Rocky Mountain Line Tech Program in Partnership with Pikes Peak and CSU. The program was implemented last year because of statistics: 23 % of all line techs, 41% line foremen, and 63% of all superintendents in the nation are over 50 and will be retiring in the next five to ten years.

Barb McKellar publicly acknowledged Ruth Ann for her Governor appointed position as Co-chair of the Jobs cabinet. Barbara stated that it is working with the governor's policies in working with the vision of Colorado pulling together higher education, economic development and the workforce.

- John Boyd reported a partnership with Rio Blanco County managing the fairgrounds and horse stables. There are no additional facilities involved. As a part of economic development, John is heading tourism for Rio Blanco County in the organization of the first mule days in mid July. John is working with the Chamber to make it an annual 3-day event with focus on mule-type activities.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public addressed the Board.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (10 min)

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

- A. Falcon Expansion Proposal for PPCC, Tony Kinkel
- B. BP 4-10, Admissions Policy
- C. BP 3-120, Anti-Discrimination Policy
- D. Adjustment to Written Communication Requirement for Transfer Degrees

John Trefny voted to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Wanda Cousar seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT Bernie Marquez motioned to adjourn, seconded by Tamra Ward at 2:10 pm