

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

April 11, 2008

10:30 PM

Pikes Peak Community College

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Members present: Barbara McKellar, Nancy McCallin, John Trefny, Jennifer Hopkins, Bernie Marquez, Ledy Garcia-Eckstein, Jerry Nickell, Shawn Olsen and Michael Milhausen

Members absent: Patty Erjavec, Tamra Ward, Wanda Cousar

II. GENERAL BUSINESS (5 min)

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular Session –March 12, 2008

Jerry Nickell moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Jenny Hopkins seconded the motion.

- 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

Mr. Olsen reported that Governor Ritter signed the Textbook Bill on Tuesday, DATE, to be effective July 1, 2009.

Ms. Barbara McKellar congratulated Shawn for his successful efforts.

- Faculty Representative, Michael Milhausen

Mr. Milhausen reported the faculty surveys were currently being conducted. He noted that Cindy Hesse, CCCS H.R. Director, and he were pleased with the number of responses thus far. Additionally, he stated the results will help identify key issues for the faculty.

Also, SFAC held its elections and the results were:

-Todd Bergren, Vice Chair

-Michael Milhausen, reelected as Faculty representative to June, 2009

- System President, Dr. Nancy McCallin

Employee Climate Survey – Dr. McCallin reported on the Employee climate survey for all employees. She noted the responses, thus far, have been great. The final results of the survey will be shared with the board at a later date.

Student Survey-Additionally, a student survey was just done. The results show the students are highly satisfied. Students overwhelmingly want to attend the community colleges because of the quality of teaching and geographical location. Geographic location was the top reason for coming to the community colleges.

Morgan Community College is in middle of a presidential search. The advertising brochure was included in the Board's hand carry packet. So far, there are 51 applicants. Dr. McCallin thanked Board members, Jenny Hopkins and Jerry Nickell for their participation on search committee.

Lamar Search - 2 candidates were submitted for interviews with Dr. McCallin. Expect a decision/announcement to be made in the next 2 weeks. Dr. McCallin thanked Jim Rizzuto for his 2 yrs of service as President at Lamar Community College.

FTE enrollment increased significantly. Resident numbers are up 4.9% - RRCC, PPCC, FRCC, TSJC, and LCC are all up. Nonresident is up 4%. This is the first time nonresident rates have not grown as fast as resident rates.

2+2 Agreement with Metropolitan State College of Denver

We are seeing 4 year degrees brought to Westminster campus, eventually to Community College of Aurora, and then will be available to all colleges as an umbrella agreement as well.

Benefits – Dr. McCallin stated the benefits will see a 0 to less than 1% increase in medical costs and an increase of 1.5 to 5.5% in dental costs. Rather than pass the small medical cost increase on to our employees, the System will absorb it within our budgets. Also, she stated we will be adding some benefits at no additional cost to the employee. For example, we are reducing the cost of diabetes drugs to encourage people to take their medicine. Further, there are ongoing discussions around wellness initiatives: initiatives we can put in place, what is costing us the most, and what are the barriers in place that we can reduce accordingly. Information will be forthcoming in the upcoming benefits packet.

Barbara McKellar thanked Jim Rizzuto for his commitment and outstanding leadership during the past 2 years as President of Lamar Community College.

B. Board Chairman's Remarks

C. Presidents' Reports

- Presidents wishing to address the Board

Dr. Linda Bowman, Community College of Aurora

Dr. Linda Bowman reported on an exciting Living History project happening at the Colorado Film School. The students, in conjunction with Congressman Perlmutter's office, will be interviewing WWII Veterans. They are producing a film that can be seen on PBS and will also be a part of The Library of Congress.

Barbara McKellar commented that it would be great to do a project on the Afghan and Iraqi soldiers' returning.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public addressed the Board.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (10 min)

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

John Trefny moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Bernie Marquez seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT at 10:39 a.m.