

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

MINUTES

May 14, 2008

11:30 am

Regular Session

Colorado Community College System

I. CALL TO ORDER 11:35 AM

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Members present: Barbara McKellar, John Trefny, Bernie Marquez, Ledy Garcia-Eckstein, Wanda Cousar, Patty Erjavec, Jerry Nickell, Shawn Olsen and Michael Milhausen

Members not present: Tamra Ward, Jennifer Hopkins

II. GENERAL BUSINESS (5 min)

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular Meeting of April 11, 2008
- B. Approval of Agenda

Wanda Cousar moved to approve the minutes as presented. John Trefny seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Two items were moved from the Consent Agenda VI section to the Discussion and Action items for:

1. Gaming Limits (p.3)
2. FRCC Brighton Site Lease Presentation(p.23)

Patty Erjavec moved to approve the agenda as amended. Bernie Marquez seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS (25 min)

- A. Board Reports
 - Student Representative, Shawn Olsen
 - Mr. Olsen reported that he is running for the position of Board Chair for the Associated Students of Colorado Council. He also noted the state student advisory council decided to postpone the meeting until the fall. Mr. Olsen will remain with the board throughout the summer.
 - Faculty Representative, Michael Milhausen
 - Mr. Milhausen reported the faculty surveys are now completed and is looking forward to reviewing the results. The State Faculty Advisory meeting will be held in Pueblo at PCC on Thursday, May 22, 2008. All college presidents and staff are invited to attend.
 - System President, Nancy McCallin
 - Dr. McCallin requested CCCS HR Director, Cindy Hesse later provide an update on Morgan Community College presidential search. Dr. McCallin reported that she visited Lamar Community College to meet with the new president, Mr. John Marrin and to

attend his official kickoff on the campus. She also stated that the community, staff, faculty and students are excited to have Mr. Marrin officially start on June 1, 2008.

FTE Enrollment update

Our overall FTE enrollment is up 3.1% this spring as compared to last year's numbers at this time. Resident enrollment is up 2.6% and non-resident 8.2%. There is strong growth in resident enrollment at RRCC, PPCC, FRCC, TSJC, and LCC. Our strongest nonresident growth rates are at OJC and LCC and significant growth in nonresident at CCD, CNCC, NJC and TSJC.

Student Loans

Dr. McCallin mentioned an article on student loans in the Denver Post. She reported that much work has been taking place since March. Looking at the is going on in the secondary market with student loans and concerned if College Invest would be able to offer loans, we have worked with the state treasurer who agreed as a last-resort to bring some capital to the table. We sent out request for information in March to various banks asking for a commitment and willingness to lend to our students. The response rate was great. Seven large banks are willing to work with our student on loans. Two banks, CitiBank and Chase will not offer student loans.

There is a lot of work with the national congressional delegation to pass some laws to help our students. These laws permit the Department of Education to designate an entire institution as a lender last resort in the event that the banks who responded to our request, decide not to offer student loans. The Dept. of Education was authorized to become a secondary market to student loans. They have increased statue of loan limits giving parents a choice to defer payments for six months after their students are at half-time enrollment. Congress and President Bush stepped in to help students with the student loan issues. Student loans will be backed 100% by the government. Dr. McCallin stated she would like to have all possible options available to our students. Overall, she feels we are in good shape now as there are plenty of banks willing to lend to the students. College Invest is going to issue bonds at a reduced rate and the stock gap measure and the State Treasurer could step in.

Cindy Hesse reported that the MCC presidential search is well underway. The search committee has narrowed the field to four semi-finalists: Mr. Jason Wood, Dean of the Curry County Campus, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Brookings, Oregon; Dr. Sue Darby, Dean of Instruction, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, Kansas; Dr. Kerry Hart, Dean of Instruction and Chief Executive Officer, Colorado Mountain College, Steamboat Springs, Colorado; and Dr. Ron Erickson, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Institutional Planning, Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount, Minnesota. These finalists will visit MCC on May 19th and 20th to participate in on-campus interviews. From here, the committee will select the top candidates who will meet with Dr. Nancy McCallin for a one on one interview. As more information becomes available, the System will provide.

B. Board Chairman's Remarks- no comments

C. Presidents' Reports

- Presidents wishing to address the Board

PCC

Dr. Garvin reported PCC is celebrating its 75th anniversary on July 13th. The celebration will be held on the main campus. The Board and presidents are invited.

CCD

Dr. Karén Bleeker reported six CCD students were graduating from high schools that have also completed their Associates Degrees. Also, Dr. Bleeker was excited about attending her first graduation at CCD.

TSJC

Ms. Ruth A Woods reported Trinidad State Junior College has completed its curriculum in with the Line Tech Program, which is in partnership with Pikes Peak Community College. The program will take place in Colorado Springs and is scheduled to start in August, 2008.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the public addressed the Board.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (10 min)

A. Election of Officers

Patty Erjavec moved to nominate Barbara McKellar as Board Chair and Bernie Marquez as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by John Trefny and passed unanimously.

B. Items Carried forth from Work Session

Pursuant to discussion in the work session, Consent Agenda items A and B were amended as follows:

1. The Board Chair requested a motion on the Gaming Initiative. John Trefny moved to support the initiative. Jerry Nickell seconded. The chair requested a roll call vote to go on record as follows: Barbara McKellar- yes, Wanda Cousar - yes, Patty Erjavec-yes, Marquez- yes, Jerry Nickell- yes, John Trefny – yes, Ledy Garcia-Eckstein-no.
2. Ms. McKellar made a motion to cap the expenses as \$7.00 per sq. ft. on FRCC Brighton Site Lease as opposed to \$9.00 per sq. ft.
John Trefny seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

- A. Gaming Limits Ballot Initiative(moved to Discussion and Action)
- B. State Support Base Budget Allocation '08-'09
- C. FRCC Brighton Site Lease (moved to Discussion and Action)
- D. Colorado Vocational Act Rule (Making change to be effective July 1, 2008)
- E. Board-Designated Oversight Committee for Credentialing
- F. Student Email
- G. Advisory Council Nominations

Patty Erjavec moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Ledy Garcia-Eckstein seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT at 12:31p.m.