

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

November 14, 2007
8:30 AM Regular Session

Colorado Community College System
Lowry Campus

I. CALL TO ORDER AT 8:40 AM

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Members Present: Barbara McKellar, Chairman, Wanda Cousar, Patty Erjavec, Jennifer Hopkins, Jerry Nickell, David Taylor, John Trefny, Tamra Ward, Michael Milhausen, and Shawn Olsen

Members Absent: Bernadette Marquez

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Patty Erjavec moved to adjourn to executive session at 8:45 AM. Jennifer Hopkins seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

III. ADJOURN TO WORK SESSION at 9:55 AM. The regular meeting reconvened at 2:20 PM.

IV. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular Meeting of September 12, 2007
 - Special Session of October 13, 2007

Tamra Ward moved to approve the minutes. Jerry Nickell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- B. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to add approval of the legislative agenda to the consent agenda items. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

V. REPORTS

- A. Board Reports
 - Student Representative, Shawn Olsen

Mr. Olsen reported that a new SSAC Chair was elected at the last meeting. SSAC members recently attended a two-day leadership conference at CSU which was very beneficial to all. SSAC is working hard on their textbook legislation campaign which seeks to ensure transparency on textbook pricing and to request unbundling of textbooks with other materials. A bill has been written and will be coming up shortly in the legislature. SSAC members are also working with bookstores to educate them to ask faculty which editions can be used in class rather than automatically requiring newest editions. In the future, they are planning a state-wide lobby day, organized by Associated Students of Colorado, to support Gov. Ritter's 8% budget increase along with the text book campaign.

- Faculty Representative, Michael Milhausen

SFAC is working with Cindy Hesse in support of the faculty survey. Michael Milhausen notes that textbook issues have always been a faculty concern and he has asked SFAC members to investigate the issues on their campuses and bring back information for future discussion.

- System President, Nancy McCallin

- A pilot project was done in three online courses. In this pilot, textbooks were not required and instructors were able to pick and choose content from several sources which was then compiled together for a single material fee.

- CCCS has received an \$875,000 grant to help transition adult learners into community colleges. We were one of only four grants awarded across the country. Eight of our colleges have opted to take part.

- Morgan Community College just received their accreditation renewal. Other accolades for MCC are that they were the recipient of an award as one of the five best workplace programs for literacy and they were nominated for a Bellweather Award.

- Our FTE is up 2.7% overall. Resident FTE is up 1.3%, non resident FTE is up 19.4%. This increase is due partly to reduced non-resident rates.

- Both Northeastern Junior College and Trinidad State Junior College received \$500,000 each from the Department of Local Affairs for their dorms.

- There are three presidential searches currently underway. At Red Rocks Community College, four candidates were on campus last week and will be narrowed down this week. At the Community College of Denver, five candidates will be on campus this week. At Lamar Community College, staff is in the process of forming the search committee.

- The Community College of Denver celebrated its 40th anniversary with a gala last week. It was a wonderful success.

- Gov. Ritter visited Pueblo Community College recently where he was very well received. Patty Erjavec noted that he reiterated his commitment to higher education. He is looking for a revenue source through a decrease in recidivism within the correctional system.

- Dr. McCallin has been meeting with legislators in support of our legislative agenda. Additionally, she met with the head of the Colorado Department of Education.

- Dr. McCallin has been working on succession planning as well as strategic planning. The dean of student services at Front Range Community College has created a framework for succession planning as part of her dissertation that the system is planning to look at as a possible model.

B. Presidents' Reports

- Presidents wishing to address the Board

Michele Haney announced that Morgan Community College received a \$900,000 career ladder grant with an emphasis on working with ESL students.

Wes Geary, Mike Kupcho, Janet Wagner, and Tracy Schneider received national recognition at the Community College Business Officers Organization conference this week. In addition, Wes Geary received the International Outstanding Chief Business Officer Award.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Members of the public are invited to address the Board at this time regarding any issue not on the agenda.

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

VII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Auraria Legislation, Barbara McDonnell
B. CVA Distributions, Brian Jenkins, Jennifer Sobanet, Linda Bowman
C. Advisory Council Nominations
 - Otero Junior College
 - Ryan Davis
 - Ernesto Jimenez
- D. Legislative Agenda

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

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at 2:50 pm.