

Colorado Mountain College
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING AGENDA

March 26, 2014

9:00 am – 2:20 pm

Minutes

Location: Room 102, Dillon Campus, Dillon, Co

8:30-9:00: Coffee with the Campus Team

Introductory Items

1. Call to Order
Board President Davis called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.
2. Roll Call
Board President Davis called roll:
Pat Chlouber
Kathy Goudy
Bob Taylor
Ken Brenner
Glenn Davis
Charles Cunniffe attended via telephone.
Mary Ellen Denomy had an excused absence.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Approve Agenda

ACTION: Trustee Chlouber Moved to Approve the Agenda; Trustee Cunniffe Seconded the Motion and it carried unanimously.

5. Approve Minutes

ACTION: Trustee Chlouber Moved to Approve the Minutes of February 19, 2014 as written; Trustee Taylor Seconded the Motion. Trustee Brenner Amended the Motion stating that in the 5th vote on Tuition, the votes were recorded backwards. The amended Motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Comment
The Board President requested a sign -up sheet for public comment in the future.

Consent Agenda

7. Sabbatical Requests

ACTION: Trustee Brenner Moved to Approve the Consent Agenda; Trustee Chlouber Seconded the Motion and it carried unanimously.

Action Items

8. Voluntary Early Retirement Program
CFO Linda English commented on the work of the task force and stated that faculty is overall in favor of keeping VERP in place as it is.

ACTION: Trustee Goudy Moved to adopt 7 year phase out. There was no second to the Motion.

Discussion ensued about the pros and cons of the different phase out plans.

ACTION: Trustee Taylor Moved to Approve the 5 year phase out option as presented (with the freeze on salary and service years), Trustee Cunniffe Seconded the motion. Trustee Brenner requested a friendly amendment to change the notification date to March 31, 2015 rather than December 31, 2014. Trustee Taylor accepted the amendment as did Trustee Cunniffe.

Trustee Goudy requested an amendment of not freezing salaries nor years of service. This amendment was not accepted.

The Amended Motion carried 4-1.

9. Board Policy Manual (Chapter 4 & 3.7)

ACTION: Trustee Chlouber Moved to Approve Chapter 4 and Policy 3.7 of the Board Policy Manual; Trustee Cunniffe Seconded the Motion and it carried unanimously.

Board Governance Session

10. Association of Governing Boards

Dr. MacTaggart from the Association of Governing Boards discussed the upcoming retreat agenda with the Board.

Action Items (cont'd.)

11. Set Board meeting dates for 2014-15

ACTION: Trustee Brenner Moved to Table the Board meeting schedule for 2014-15; Trustee Goudy Seconded the Motion and it carried unanimously.

12. Set Board Budget for 2014-15

ACTION: Trustee Chlouber Moved to Approve the Operating Budget for the Board of Trustees presented for 2014-15; Trustee Cunniffe Seconded the Motion and it carried with 4 votes and an abstention by Trustee Goudy.

Discussion ensued about consulting and legal fees, and salaries and in which budget they should be.

Information/Discussion

13. Service Area Task Force Update

President Hauser reported there has been significant activity around the service area issue. An internal task force is working with Western State Colorado University to prepare a plan to help serve Chaffee County. The College has also met with a group from Grand County; they have gone back to look at their need and vision. The Chaffee County group was appreciative of the CMC leadership coming to the table.

Kathy Goudy left the meeting at 11:30 am for personal reasons.

14. 2014-15 Budget Preview

Linda English and COO Matt Gianneschi presented a high level preview of the 2014-15 budget.

Some major points:

- It is a balanced budget, protecting reserves.
- We have used creative and employee centric ways to give increases.
- The budget ties to the Strategic Plan.

Linda English and Matt Gianneschi will visit each Trustee to discuss the budget before the meeting in May.

15. BSN Differential Tuition

Linda English gave a presentation on differential tuition for the Bachelor's of Nursing degree. Nursing is a high-cost program and differential tuition would defray some of the cost. CMC's tuition will still be very competitive with other colleges. The College is not proposing fees. There was a suggestion that our hospitals may help fund the degrees if the curriculum is aligned with their needs. This item will come to the Board for action in May.

16. Legislative Update

The Board discussed current legislation, including HB-14-1319 which changes the funding model for higher education in the future.

Action: Trustee Taylor Moved to give direction to staff to write draft language for HB-14-1319 allowing Colorado Mountain College to opt in to the formula, without joining COF and striking the language that does not allow CMC State funding for 4 year degrees, giving us an equal starting point with other institutions. Trustee Brenner Seconded the Motion and it carried unanimously.

17. HLC Visit Update and Schedule

Brad Tyndall, VP of Academic Affairs gave an update on the upcoming Higher Learning Commission visit.

The visit will include 4 visits in one:

- Federal Compliance -(HLC changed this after the meeting by having the federal compliance piece done by another reviewer off site)
- Quality Check-up- to look at improvements made to opportunities outlined in our Systems Appraisal Feedback Report
- Branch Location Visit – to verify the same basic services are at each campus. They will visit Steamboat, Dillon, and Leadville.
- Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Visit – the College requested this visit in order to offer this

Brad Tyndall presented an overview of the schedule for the visit.

President's Report

President Hauser welcomed Roger Sheffield as the VP of Institutional Advancement and CEO of the Foundation and distributed a hard copy of the president's report.

New Business

May Board Meeting Agenda Items:

- Receive fall sabbatical reports (per C.R.S. 23-5-123(2)(f)).
- 1st Budget Hearing per (C.R.S. 22-44-101,et.seq.) (set exact time for the final hearing so public notices can be sent to all college district newspapers.) (per C.R.S. 22-44-101, et.seq)
- Board Retreat
- Board Policy Manual – Chapter 6

Board President Davis adjourned the meeting at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Pat Chlouber
Board of Trustees Secretary



Debbie Novak
Recording Secretary