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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Laidlaw Center Board Room

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

2:00 p.m.

- ➔ **CALL TO ORDER** Vice Chair John Pedlow officially called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Present in addition to the chair were trustees Barbara Rofkar and Steve Adelstein, constituting a quorum. Trustee Tim Douglas was absent. Others present included President Kathi Hiyane-Brown; Ed Harri, Vice President for Instruction; Nate Langstraat, Vice President for Administrative Services; Luca Lewis, Vice President for Student Services; Sue Cole, Executive Director for Institutional Advancement; Rob Olsen, Assistant Attorney General; and Rafeeka Kloke, Special Assistant to the President.

ACTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA

- ➔ Trustee Adelstein moved to approve the agenda with one change to remove “Executive Session” from the agenda. It was seconded by Trustee Rofkar and the **motion was approved**.
- ➔ Vice Chair Pedlow announced that there is a designated time for public comment on the agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF ASWCC EXECUTIVE BOARD

- ➔ Vice President Lewis introduced the 2017-18 ASWCC Executive Board:
 - Lauren Besthoff, President (present)
 - Ian Ferrer, Executive Vice President
 - Enoch Bergeron, Vice President for Clubs
 - Claudia Johan, Vice President for Operations (present)
 - Sandra Ramirez, Vice President for Campus Advocacy
 - Eden Hottman-Nance, Vice President for Social and Educational Programming
- ➔ Vice President Lewis also introduced Kunbi Ajboye, Associate Director for Student Life and Development.

STRATEGIC CONVERSATIONS

- CIS/Cybersecurity Program Updates – Corrinne Sande, Director for CIS Program
 - Corrine Sande provided an update on the CIS/Cybersecurity Program. Recent accomplishments included: In 2017, WCC was selected by the National Security Agency to lead efforts to improve and expand cybersecurity education nationwide as one of four Centers of Academic Excellence in Cyberdefense National Resource Centers. WCC began offering its first baccalaureate degree this fall, a bachelor of applied science degree in IT networking with courses mapped to National Security Agency cybersecurity knowledge units. The degree will also be offered online beginning fall 2017, thereby expanding capacity locally and nationwide.

CONSENT AGENDA

➤ Consent Agenda (Calendar)

- a. Minutes of the September 20, 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting (Attachment A)
- b. Proposed 2017 Summer Graduates (Attachment B)

Vice Chair Pedlow stated: “If there are no objections, this item will be adopted.” As there were no objections, **these item were adopted.**

ACTION ITEM

➤ Proposed changes to Policy 620 Student Rights and Responsibilities – Luca Lewis, Vice President for Student Services

Trustee Rofkar moved to approve the proposed changes to Policy 620 Student Rights and Responsibilities. It was seconded by Trustee Adelstein and the **motion was unanimously approved.**

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) approved WCC’s proposal for the addition of Associate of Science-Transfer/Major Related degree program in Engineering.
- Aspen Institute ranks WCC among the top nine community and technical colleges in Washington and among the top 150 in the nation, based on successful student outcomes. WCC is eligible to apply for the top prize of \$1 million.
- Enrollment report – Fall 2017 total FTE is down 0.3% from Fall 2016; state FTE is down 2.6%.

International enrollment is down 11% at 283 students; online enrollment is up 16%; and hybrid enrollment is up 7%. Most two year colleges in the state are experiencing an increase in Running Start enrollment. Bellingham and Lynden school districts changed to a block schedule; WCC staff are helping students navigate the change.

- WCC continues to work in the area of health education. Cori Garcia Hansen and Kate Di Nitto are doing great work with AHECW. They led a working group discussion of the crucial and changing roles of allied health care personnel. In attendance were representatives from Washington State Medical Association, insurance providers, health professionals, state legislators and educators.
- Key topics of discussion at the recent Washington Community and Technical Colleges (WACTC) meeting included structure and decision making process for WACTC; enrollment; ctclink; and advocacy for a capital budget.
- WCC is hosting a joint cabinet meeting with Bellingham Technical College on October 17, 2017.
- WCC Foundation is hosting its Annual Donors Appreciation Breakfast on October 27, 2017.

REPORTS

- **ASWCC – Lauren Besthoff, President**
 - Besthoff thanked everyone who attended the Welcome Back BBQ
 - Students have voted on a new name for WCC’s mascot – “Finney Fin Dorsalini”
- **Administrative Services - Nate**
 - Student Housing RFQ is scheduled to be published next week and staff will spend the following six weeks to review proposals and select a consultant.
 - Colacurcio Brothers Construction extended their bid for the Learning Commons project for 30 days. The City of Bellingham provided a 180 day extension on the construction permit. However, if legislature does pass a capital budget in the next 30 days, the project will need to be rebid.

DISCUSSION/TACTC/ITEMS OF THE BOARD

- **2017 ACCT Leadership Congress**
 - Trustee Adelstein reported that he attended several good workshops at the conference. Interesting workshop topics included first amendment rights and barriers for students.

➔ **November Board of Trustees Meeting**

- The board meeting in November includes a work session and will begin at 1 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

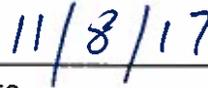
- ➔ Vice Chair Pedlow called for public comment. There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

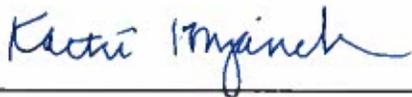
- ➔ There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



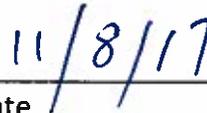
Chair of the Board



Date



President and Secretary of the Board



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