
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2004
ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. **Call to Order** – Chair, Pat Huycke called the Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2004, at RCC’s Redwood Campus, H Building, Room 2, Grants Pass, Oregon. Due notice was given.
2. **Determine Presence of Quorum** – A quorum of the Board was present including, Mr. Huycke, Sharon Davidson, Jim Dole, Kevin Talbert, David Trump, Dean Wendle, and Charles Warren. Advisory Committee member Dawn Welch also attended.
3. **Introduction of Guests** – Peter Angstadt, ASRCC-RWC student representative, Steve Meilke, Galyn Carlile, Betsy Fuller, Priscilla Goulding, Cindy Hauser, Rand Hill, Pat Huebsch, Lynda Kettler, Mike Laam, John Lopez, Cheryl Markwell, Nancy Maxwell, Linda Renfro, Angel Rogers, Laurie Rydell, Curtis Sommerfeld, Denise Swafford, Lynda Warren and Mary Wright. KLDR/KAJO news reporter, Kevin Greer, Andrea Henderson, Executive Director, Oregon Community College Association (OCCA) and Cam Preus-Braly, Commissioner, Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD) also attended.
4. **Presentations**
 - A. **OCCA** – Andrea discussed major challenges facing colleges as: 1) funding (current community college budget is \$410 million/ requesting \$620 million) and anticipating an \$800 million to \$1 billion state shortfall. Current level funding may be best scenario, except legislators will be looking at investment in economy, which community colleges can provide; and, 2) Oregon community colleges need to be pro-active in developing a collective statewide vision. First step will be local boards’ perceptions of their colleges’ roles in their regions. The community colleges’ mission is defined in statute but not what legislators are seeking. She said the most powerful messages in Salem come from students and board members. No special invitation required. Let local legislators know RCC’s needs.
 - B. **CCWD** - Cam discussed a handout, “The ‘State’ of Oregon Community Colleges–Fall 2004,” from a budget document she prepared for the Governor. It included graphs illustrating the decline in enrollment, decreases in state funding and increases in tuition across the state. Oregon offers highest tuition for colleges in 15 western states. She is still sorting through capital construction requests from all 17 colleges to determine priority of needs.
5. **Committee Advisory Reports**
 - A. **Students, Faculty, Classified - Faculty:** No report. **Classified:** Angel Rogers announced 2004/05 OSEA officers: Cheryl Goyer, President, Deb Bennett, Vice-President, Donna Belle, Treasurer, Secretary-RVC, Theresa Van Ravenhorst, and Secretary-RWC, Angel.

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Students: Steve Meilke, ASRCC-RWC representative, reported on student government activities including: 1) a push for voter registration which resulted in approximately 550 new voters between both campuses, 2) an upcoming Halloween party, 3) a plea to faculty for longer shelf-life for text books; and, 4) handicapped access to all RWC buildings.

- B. Board Executive Committee** – No meeting in October.
- C. Legislative Committee/Bond** – Meetings postponed until November 23 to focus on bond effort.
- D. Foundation Board Liaisons** – A new donor, Community Bank (Bank of Cascades) was acknowledged at RWC donor wall. New auditors (separate from RCC auditors) will review records this year. And, the potential loan for TRC was also discussed.
- E. Finance and Audit Committee** – Jim Dole reviewed the September financial data. An FTE shortfall has caused a decrease in tuition from this same period last year. A new RogueNet deal with Columbia Gorge is moving along and this month's quarterly budget transfers were also explained.
- F. Facilities Committee** – Kevin Talbert, Charlie Warren and Dean Wendle attended this month's meeting. Two major issues covered were the RWC Tech Park and Table Rock Campus.
 - a. RWC Tech Park** – The Committee discussed the City's proposal regarding the Park and recommended approval of Phase 2 with conditions outlined in draft agreement (handout). Phase 2 involves a 3-month study funded by a non-RCC source with absolutely no commitment by RCC to the project beyond the study. In the worst case, RCC will learn more about the RCC-property. Peter Angstadt will communicate Board consensus to go forward with the study only, based on this understanding.
 - b. TRC Update** – Adroit received over 35 bids for the TRC project. All bids will be reviewed and provided to the Board for consideration and approval at a special session to be set in early November.

6. Consent Agenda

Ms. Davidson moved, seconded by Dean Wendle that the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Minutes – September 21, 2004 Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. Grants**
 - a. Meyer Memorial Trust – Table Rock Campus Remodel Grant
 - b. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Grant

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C. Human Resources - None

D. Financial

- a. Monthly Financial Data Report – September 2004
- b. Quarterly Budget Transfers

The motion was carried 7 to 0.

7. Financial and Other Action/Information Items

A. Appointment of Faculty Emeritus (Laurie Van Riper) – Jim Dole moved, seconded by Sharon Davidson that the RCC Board approve Resolution No. B31-04/05 awarding the honor of *faculty emeritus* to RCC instructor Laurie Van Riper. **The motion was carried 7 to 0.**

B. Board Policy Handbook Section(s) I.A.010-I.A.010d (First Reading)
It was generally agreed that since guiding principles and short-range goals vary annually, these are not appropriate Board policy documents. Kevin Talbert suggested the Board take a closer look at the vision, mission and core values documents though, especially in light of the statewide community college vision that Andrea discussed (above). For purposes of moving through the Board Policy Handbook; however, these documents will remain unchanged for second reading, but may be revisited, any time in the future.

8. President's Report

A. Staff, Faculty, Student Recognition – See October 2004 report. Highlights include Ann Trausch's outstanding instructor nomination and Melanie Johnson's 100-mile races in Idaho and Utah. Also, PTK and government students were congratulated for voter registration work. And, 25 part-time faculty were acknowledged by their peers for outstanding service at in-service.

B. Campus Leaders' and Grant Summary – See October 2004 report.

C. Administration/Organization/Information Items

a. These last weeks of the **bond** campaign have provided good coverage from news sources. Board members were thanked for sharing speaking engagements and *volunteer* campaign coordinator, Sharon Davidson, was acknowledged for her great work. The next big initiative for RCC is **FTE** growth.

b. Meetings have been scheduled with faculty and classified groups on **redesign** to find out what is going well and what needs attention.

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- c. A college committee reviewing **naming of RCC buildings**, welcomes any interested Board to work with them by contacting Peter Angstadt.
- d. An election night party is being planned for 7:30 p.m. in Medford at RVC, G Building, Mezzanine.
- e. A revised Board Program schedule was distributed to all.

9. **Executive Session** – None.

10. **Old Business**

A. Pending Items List

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act discussed at the last Board meeting prompted some changes to Board policy. This will be presented and discussed at next month's Board meeting.

11. **New Business** – The OSBA Annual Report 2003/04 was distributed for information. Kevin Talbert commented OSBA is not necessarily attuned to community colleges and may not always be the best source of information for RCC.

12. **Board Round Table**

David Trump announced he will not be running for re-election on the Board in 2005 when his term expires.

Kevin Talbert mentioned he met up with RCC's first president, Henry Pete, *President Emeritus* at an Elderhostel event last week.

13. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Denise Swafford, Assistant to the President

Pat Huycke, Chair, RCC Board of Education

Dated: November 16, 2004
