
**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2010
ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

1. **Call to Order** – Pat Ashley, Vice-Chair, called the Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at the Redwood Campus (RWC), H-2 Conference Room, 3345 Redwood Highway, Grants Pass, OR. Due notice was given.
2. **Determine Presence of Quorum** – A quorum of the Board was present including Joseph Zagorski via teleconference, Pat Ashley, Joe Davis, Tim Johnson, Joe Keith, Kevin Talbert and Dean Wendle. Advisory Committee member Midge Renton was also in attendance.
3. **Introduction of Guests and Public Comment** – Robin Kaminski, Josephine County Tobacco Program Coordinator; Hyla Lipson, Artworks; Belle Shepherd, Josephine County Public Health; Jane Stevenson, Jackson County Public Health; Brice Helm, Associated Student Government of RCC (ASGRCC) RWC Campus President; and RCC management, faculty and staff including Peter Angstadt, Kori Bieber, Margaret Bradford, Rena Denham, Jeanne Howell, Cheryl Markwell, Mary O’Kief, Linda Renfro, Curtis Sommerfeld, Lisa Stanton, Lynda Warren and Denise Nelson. There was no public comment.
4. **Program Presentation** – Artworks, Hyla Lipson

From the beginning in 2003, the focus of Artworks was about connecting the community and providing living wage jobs for people in art fields (see handout on file). In addition, the goal was to boost RCC’s outreach with the community and make the journey from downtown to the campus seem shorter.

Major accomplishments from 2003 to the present:

- Community awareness through sponsorship of events and involvement with many individuals and groups.
- Varying curriculum at RCC as a result of the two Artrepreneurship Conferences.
- Empowering artists through connections with each other and the community.
- Taking on the future of the Southern Oregon Art Show (which is now going to be an RCC art department coordination.
- Bringing together different arts organizations.
- Expanding the reach of Artworks to include economic development.
- Rewording our mission and refocusing our goals.
- Expanding our sites to include all of Southern Oregon as potential collaborators.

As of the beginning of 2010, Artworks has refocused and re-energized its efforts. They are still working on the original goals of their strategic plan. They are still focused on the business of art while engaging many more players in their efforts.

Board members thanked Ms. Lipson for her presentation.

6.A.b

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5. Committee/Advisory Reports

A. Student, Faculty & Classified Reports

Student – Brice Helm, RWC ASGRCC President distributed his report (see file) and reviewed the following past events: Open Mic, 1/13, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.; Clubs Day, 1/19; Voter Education –measures 66/67; Open Mic, 1/10, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.; Diversity Fair, two RWC officers were in attendance at this event held at TRC, 2/12; Oregon Opportunity Grant postcard campaign – was a statewide community college effort to make legislators aware of the impact cuts on this grant have had on students.

Upcoming events include a Red Cross Blood Drive, Ping Pong Tournament, Intramural Tournaments, Movie Mondays, and Open Mic.

ASGRCC RWC is moving forward with the idea of holding a candidates forum for the upcoming Grants Pass City Council elections. Candidates have expressed interest in speaking on campus. The event will be open to the community. Board members agreed this would be a welcomed event.

Faculty – None

Classified – None

B. Advisory Committees

Josephine County – Midge Renton reported this committee met and discussed improving infrastructure and stimulus projects.

Jackson County – Peter reported this committee primarily discussed financial issues and downtown Medford parking. RCC is currently working with the city of Medford regarding safety issues on Riverside.

C. Board Executive Committee – Did not meet in February.

D. Facilities Committee – Board members on this committee will be involved with the design/build process.

E. Finance and Audit Committee – Tim Johnson reported the committee met prior to the Board meeting and reviewed the financial statement. The College has continued to see a 95% collection rate, therefore increasing property tax revenue projections by \$337,000. The College is projecting that tuition revenue will be an additional \$799,000 for spring term. The College has also experienced an increase in expenditures in relation to the growth. Based upon these changes, the ending fund balance is estimated at \$4.78 million. Realizing the increase in student enrollment may not continue, it is wise to be conservative.

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- F. Foundation Report** – Joe Keith reported he attended the Foundation Board meeting in January. A joint Board meeting was held with Al Hove, Clements Group on 2/12. He also reported he is serving on an ad-hoc committee with Pat Ashley and select Foundation Board members to develop a Memorandum of Understanding between the Foundation and College. All Board members will be involved with this during the Clements process and for final review. Next step in the Clements process will be the feasibility study.

Dean Wendle and Joseph Zagorski conveyed they both felt the 2/12 Joint Board meeting was informative and served as a good start to move forward. The meeting was well done.

- G. Legislative Committee** – Joe Davis reported this committee met after the 1/26 Special Election and discussed Measure 66/67 passing.
- H. OCCA/OSBA Reports** – Dean Wendle provided a copy of the OCCA 2009 Legislative Report (see file). Board members can contact Denise Nelson if they would like to review the report. The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) model was discussed. It was suggested Kevin Talbert contact Peter Buckley to discuss this. The Oregon Opportunity Grant might receive \$5 million additional funding. There is an amendment to the process regarding 11.G Bonds in which we won't need to send money to the State Treasurer, only for the State to send the money back to us. It will be nice to streamline this process. There is a bill in process to encourage "buying American" unless the cost is 25% higher. Senator Schrader is proposing a change in the law called "Whistle Blower." The next OCCA Board meeting will be held Friday 2/26.

6. Consent Agenda

Joseph Zagorski moved, seconded by Tim Johnson, the RCC Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Meeting Minutes**
- a. January 19, 2010 Board of Education
 - b. December 2, 2009 Special Board Meeting
- B. Human Resources**
- a. Temporary, Fixed-term, Full-time Faculty, Welding Technology Instructor – Michael Friesen
- C. Grants**
- a. New Grant(s)
 - 1. Nursing – OHSU/HRSA Grant
 - b. Continuation Grant(s) – None

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D. Financial

a. Monthly Financial Data Report – January 2010

The motion was unanimously approved.

7. Other Action/Information Items

A. Review Board Policy Article II, Section B, Policy 020 – Tobacco Free Campus (Second Reading)

Kori Bieber reported, since last Board meeting, the College has received 539 additional survey responses. Survey results will be provided to the Board in advance of their next meeting. Kevin Talbert requested simplifying the language in the Smoke Restricted policy option. Joe Keith commented he supports the student's right to decide to, or not to, smoke.

B. Review 2010/11 Tuition (First Reading)

Peter Angstadt indicated that in the past, students have suggested smaller increases (such as recommended for the 2010/11 tuition) over a period time. No action taken since this was the first reading.

8. President's Report

A. Administration/Organization/Information Items

a. President's Monthly Report

- Reviewed monthly report (see file).
- Agenda item 7.C (Approved Storage Area Network) was removed and will be submitted to the Board at a later date.
- Treasures of Our Community Fundraising event was cancelled this year. Plan to hold the event next year.
- The Morris Foundation will be honored by the RCC Foundation at an event on 2/23, 11:00 a.m., TRC. Please plan to attend.
- Board members were provided (handout folders) a copy of the revised Core Themes for review.
- Peter has been working with the Green Team to the President's Climate Commitment in order to reduce our carbon footprint and serve as good "green stewards."

(Joseph Zagorski left the meeting at 5:05 p.m. due to pre-arranged plans.)

- Dean Wendle reported that ridership on Josephine County Transit has seen a dramatic increase.

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- b. FTE Report** (see file). There has been 23% growth over the previous year.
 - c. Strategic Plan – Action Plan Update** (see file)
 - d. Go Oregon Stimulus Project Update** (see file)
 - e. Faculty Senate Meeting Notes** (see file)
- 9. Executive Session – None**
- 10. Old Business**
 - A. Pending Items** – (see file)
 - B. Discuss January 28, 2010 – Southern Oregon Business Conference**

Board members shared their thoughts regarding the conference. Those who attended reported the conference was good and definitely worth attending.
- 11. New Business - None**
- 12. Board Round Table - None**
- 13. Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Denise Nelson, Assistant to the President and Board of Education

Board Action: Approved

Joseph Zagorski, Ed.D., Chair, RCC Board of Education

Date: March 16, 2010
