
MINUTES OF THE JULY 31, 2008
ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman, David Trump, M.D. called the Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) special meeting to order at approximately 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2008 at the Illinois Valley Learning Center (IVLC), Classroom No. 3, 24311 Redwood Highway, Kerby, Oregon. Due notice was given.
2. **Determine Presence of Quorum** – A quorum of the Board was present including Dr. Trump, Pat Ashley, Sharon Davidson, Dean Wendle, and Joseph Zagorski. Pat Huycke and Kevin Talbert participated by telephone. Advisory Committee members Jerry Work and Sharon Work also attended.
3. **Introduction of Guests and Public Comment** – RCC management and staff in attendance included Peter Angstadt, John Lopez, Cheryl Markwell, Lynda Warren, Jennifer Wheatley, Gray Conway and Denise Swafford. Gray Conway, RCC Facilities Specialist, IVLC, thanked the Board for participating in the earlier groundbreaking ceremony on the Illinois Valley Business Entrepreneurial Center (IVBEC) and invited the Board to return to the facility for a future Board meeting once the IVBEC project has been completed.
4. **Action/Information Items**
 - A. **Approve Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for Completion of IVBEC** - Funding sources to date are: \$300,000 from USDA, \$25,000 from Josephine County, \$25,000 – the Chaney Foundation, \$15,000 - Four Way Foundation and Rotary and \$10,000 from the RCC Foundation. Peter and Jennifer Wheatley are currently attempting to raise an additional \$19,000. If unable to raise the funds, the RCC will donate \$20,000 from facilities funds. Another local Foundation and other local financial institutions have expressed an interest in the project. There will be additional costs in the future for other exterior renovations.

Joseph Zagorski moved, seconded by Sharon Davidson that the RCC Board approve Resolution No. B1-08/09 authorizing the GMP of \$397,774 for completion of the IVBEC. **The motion was carried 7 to 0.**
 - B. **Approve Purchase of Lab Equipment for Dental Assistant Program** – John Lopez reported RCC has been using rental labs for the Dental Assistant program and now has an opportunity to purchase its own equipment for an RCC lab at RVC with funding primarily from Perkins.

Joseph Zagorski moved seconded by Dean Wendle that the RCC Board of Education approve resolution No. B2-08/09 authorizing purchase of lab equipment for the Dental Assistant program from Burkhart Dental of Springfield, Oregon for the maximum amount of \$94,983.16. **The motion was carried 7 to 0.**
5. **President’s Report** – None
6. **Executive Session** – None

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7. Old Business – None

8. New Business – None

9. Board Round Table

Pat Huycke indicated Rogue Valley Workforce Development Council (RVWDC) has been working on “*business clusters*” – short-term training -- and was just awarded \$60,000 from the state through SOHPEC for this. A portion of the funds may be available to help RCC with the IVBEC project. Peter is on the RVWDC Board and will follow-up. Pat, who works with the Job Council, a fiscal agent for RVWDC, has been working on *business clusters* through a “PowerUp Academy” being designed based on surveys indicating there are 800-1100 unfilled skilled worker jobs in the region.

Jerry Work said *business clusters* can be a new approach to learning in areas that have been pertinent to public. Also, in the discussion regarding IVBEC (above) he and Sharon Work shared some success stories on the value of the IVLC and the IVBEC project to the Southern Oregon Guild, including gallery and Guild artists as well as visitors.

He indicated RCC’s facilities are not ancillary but critical to future economic development in the region. Sharon Work added that RCC’s direction is positive and proactive.

Dean Wendle was in Eugene last week and learned that Hynix – a fairly new manufacturing company of approximately 1,100 employees in the area, was forced to close operations.

Pat Ashley has been approached about the Health Care Interpreter course and asked if RCC would be offering this program again. Cheryl Markwell indicated it was a Portland Community College course offering being hosted by RCC. She will research the possibility of bringing it back.

Pat also indicated she had been asked to join a group of Jackson County citizens interested in trying to join school districts and business communities to fill local business needs. Peter indicated someone from RCC instruction would join her in support of the effort.

10. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Denise Swafford, Administrative Coordinator, President’s Office

David Trump, M.D., Chairman, RCC Board of Education

Dated: August 19, 2008