
**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 15, 2006
ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Kevin Talbert called the Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 2006 at the Table Rock Campus, 7800 Pacific Avenue, White City, Oregon. Due notice was given.
2. **Determine Presence of Quorum** – A quorum of the Board was present including Dr. Talbert, Jim Dole, Pat Huycke, David Trump, Charly Warren and Dean Wendle. Sharon Davidson was absent due to pre-arranged plans. Advisory Committee members Midge Renton and Dawn Welch also attended.
3. **Introduction of Guests** – Faculty representative Paul Fisher, and management, faculty and staff including Peter Angstadt, Galyn Carlile, Cindy Hauser, Mary Louise Hendricks, Rand Hill, Jeanne Howell, Nancy Maxwell, Lisa Stanton, Lynda Warren, Shirlee Willis-Haslip and Denise Nelson attended.
4. **Presentations/General Discussion** - None
5. **Committee Advisory Reports**

A. Students, Faculty, Classified

Paul Fisher distributed the Faculty Report to the Board (see handout). He reported faculty members are interested in ensuring the college continues with a strong financial picture.

Paul recently returned from a conference in Vancouver, B.C. (Coalition of Contingent Academic Labor). This coalition is a fledgling organization with the express purpose of raising the employment rights of contingent (part-time) employees. Conference participants included academic laborers from the United States, Mexico and Canada. He learned there is a movement developing for college instructors to be paid via a pro-rated system and he provided a brief description of this system.

There were no student or classified reports.

- B. Advisory Committee** – Peter Angstadt reported Josephine County members met to discuss ideas regarding the bond election. Jackson County members held a meeting and primarily discussed business industry training.

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C. Facilities

a. Joint Building Steering Committee – Charly Warren reported the RCC/SOU Joint Facility Advisory Committee met today. He believes the overall outcome of the meeting was positive and all parties involved have been successful in maintaining the square footage of the facility. Pat Huycke added the committee is planning public relations campaigns for the building. A small ceremony may occur with the demolition of building “C” (October) followed by a traditional ground breaking ceremony at a later date. Naming of the building was discussed with different ideas surfacing. A working vision for the joint facility was distributed (see handout).

D. Finance and Audit Committee – Pat Huycke reported the Finance Committee met and reviewed the financial statement prior to the board meeting. The college is approximately \$128,000 below summer term tuition projections. This is partially due to efficiency efforts in monitoring class sizes closely and canceling classes with minimal student enrollment. Summer term expenses will be analyzed. Fall term tuition is currently at 50% due to early open enrollment. The college received a certificate of achievement for financial reporting in recognition of the efforts of college staff. Pat congratulated staff for receiving this award and expressed gratitude for their hard work. The committee also discussed analyzing statewide financial reports providing a comparison of other community colleges. RVTD is increasing its fee from \$.95 to \$1.95. The committee recommends implementing a \$5.00 fee per RCC student, faculty, staff riding the bus in Jackson and Josephine County. A sticker, to be placed on the RCC issued I.D. badge, will be issued to serve as the “bus pass” for RVTD. This will partially offset the increase in cost and provide the college with internal data regarding the number of people utilizing this service. Nancy Maxwell reported students were receptive to this fee when discussed at student forums. Dean Wendle and David Trump suggested encouraging RVTD to somehow become more accountable with rider data. After some discussion it was agreed to implement this fee as a pilot project.

Pat Huycke moved, seconded by Dean Wendle, that the RCC Board approve a pilot project implementing a \$5.00 bus fee per RCC student, faculty and/or staff member choosing to utilize public transit services through RCC in Jackson or Josephine County. The motion was carried 6 to 0.

E. Board Executive Committee – Kevin Talbert reported this committee met last week. The agenda for the retreat was discussed in addition to the regularly scheduled board meeting agenda. The committee discussed the importance of obtaining grants and suggested Mary O’Kief make a presentation to the Board. Kevin added the Board held a successful retreat yesterday. It was decided to schedule bi-annual retreats. Kevin was thanked for hosting the retreat at his residence. See agenda item 8, President’s Report, for further information.

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- F. OCCA/ Legislative/OSBA Reports** – Dean Wendle reported there was no OCCA meeting this month.
- G. Foundation** – Jim Dole reported the Foundation Board does not meeting during the summer months, therefore, there is no report at this time.
- H. Josephine County Bond Levy** – Jim Dole reported he is officially forming a Bond Committee and is looking for a faculty member and student representative to serve on the committee. Please contact Denise Nelson (x7001) if interested and she will forward the information to Jim.

6. Consent Agenda

Dean Wendle moved, seconded by David Trump, that the RCC Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. July 18, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Human Resources - None
- C. Grants
 - a. Continuing Grants
 - 1. Department of Education, Women in Trades Fair (Construction)
 - 2. JOBS (Student Employment)
 - 3. Perkins Basic (Multi-department)
 - 4. Oregon Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
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 - b. Distance Learning Incentive Grant (Media on behalf of Early Childhood Education)
- D. Financial
 - a. Monthly Financial Data Report – July 2006

The motion was carried 6 to 0.

7. Other Action/Information Items

A. Review Board Policy Handbook Sections I.D.100-I.D.120 (First Reading)

No action taken.

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B. Statewide Tax Related Initiatives

Dean Wendle reviewed material regarding upcoming ballot measures threatening Oregon's economy (Measure 48 – TABOR and Measure 41 – Federal Substitution Initiative). Dean distributed a resolution he drafted on behalf of the Board stating opposition to the aforementioned measures. Pat Huycke suggested being more assertive in the resolution by urging voter opposition of the initiatives as well. After some discussion it was determined Kevin Talbert will contact Sharon Davidson to discuss her position on these initiatives. Dean mentioned the Defend Oregon Coalition will be hosting a meeting at the Rogue Regency in Medford, September 18, to discuss these initiatives.

Dean Wendle moved, seconded by David Trump, that the RCC Board adopt the resolution, prepared and distributed with non-public funds, indicating RCC Board opposition to initiative measures 48 and 41, as amended by urging voter opposition of said initiatives. The motion was carried 6 to 0.

C. Josephine County Library Bond Levy

Peter Angstadt provided an overview of the Josephine County library bond levy. He indicated the library would close June 30, 2007 if the bond levy does not pass. He has received requests from Josephine County library supporters asking for RCC's endorsement of this initiative. After some discussion, it was determined RCC would endorse the library bond levy for Josephine County.

David Trump moved, seconded by Dean Wendle, that the RCC Board support passage of the November 2006 Josephine County bond levy. The motion was carried 6 to 0.

D. Accreditation Fifth Year Interim Report

The report was discussed at the 8/14 Board retreat. Galyn Carlile explained the timeline of the accreditation process. Board members will be advised of meeting times with accreditation representatives prior to the visit.

8. President's Report

A. Staff, Faculty, Student Recognition, Campus Leaders' and Grant Summary Report – See August 2006 report.

B. Administration/Organization/Information Items

Peter discussed the following items:

- RCC received the Trio Talent Search grant for \$225,000 per year for 5 years.

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- Mary O’Kief, Cheryl Markwell and Mike Laam worked together on the Robert Wood-Johnson Foundation grant. RCC will receive \$110,000 to develop curriculum around an Associate of Science degree related to computer informatics as it relates to various parts of the health care system (a new field). Students will be shadowing and learning at the hospital. This was a partnership with Asante and RCC.
- Peter met with Steve Iverson and Rich Ward to discuss the possibility of a combined District 7 School District/RCC facility.
- Working with Josephine County to transfer a \$300,000 Business Incubator grant for Illinois Valley
- Jennifer Phillippi has agreed to serve as treasurer for RCC’s bond campaign. Peter is most appreciative to Jennifer for her participation.
- There has been some discussion from the City of Grants Pass regarding water services. Peter will look into this and will keep the Board informed.
- Peter requested Board members forward any questions regarding distribution formula research to him as soon as possible.

9. Executive Session – The board adjourned for executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(d) – Labor Negotiations and ORS 192.660(2)(e) Real Property Transactions at 5:12 p.m. with Jim Dole, Pat Huycke, Kevin Talbert, David Trump, Charly Warren and Dean Wendle in attendance. The Board returned to regular session at 5:50 p.m. with Board members Jim Dole, Pat Huycke, Kevin Talbert, David Trump and Dean Wendle in attendance.

10. Old Business

* **Addition to Agenda, Jackson County Library Bond Levy**

Peter indicated he has received requests from Jackson County Library bond levy supporters asking for endorsement of this initiative. After some discussion, Board members unanimously agreed to formalize RCC’s support of this initiative.

David Trump moved, seconded by Pat Huycke, that the RCC Board support passage of the November 2006 Jackson County Bond Levy and approve aforementioned support to be stated in the voter’s pamphlet. The motion was carried 5 to 0.

A. Finalize Motion to Approve July 18, 2006 Consent Agenda

Pat Huycke moved, seconded by David Trump, that the RCC Board finalize the motion to approve the July 18, 2006 Consent Agenda. The motion was carried 5 to 0.

B. Pending Items List – See handout

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11. New Business –

A. Joint RCC Board and Foundation Executive Committee

Denise Nelson will contact Board of Ed members to confirm a majority would be able to attend a joint RCC Board and Foundation Executive Committee meeting on 9/12, 1:30 p.m.

12. Board Round Table –

Jim Dole will serve as chairperson for the September Board meeting.

13. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Denise Nelson, Assistant to the President and Board of Education

Jim Dole, Vice-Chair of the RCC Board of Education

Dated: September 19, 2006
