
**Rogue Community College District
Board of Education – January 17, 2012 Meeting Minutes**

1. **Call to Order** – Joseph Davis, Chair called the Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) Meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at the RCC/Southern Oregon University (SOU) Higher Education Center (HEC), conference room 127 and 129, 101 S Bartlett St., Medford, OR. Due notice was given.
2. **Determine Presence of Quorum** – A quorum of the Board was present including Patricia Ashley, Joe Davis, Tim Johnson, Kevin Talbert, Dean Wendle and Joseph Zagorski. Randy Sparacino was unable to attend due to pre-arranged plans.
3. **Introduction of Guests and Public Comment** – RCC District employees including Peter Angstadt, Kori Bieber, Joe Calderon, Kirk Gibson, Cheryl Markwell, Curtis Sommerfeld, Linda Renfro, Lisa Stanton, Denise Swafford, and Denise Nelson. There was no public comment
4. **Presentations/General Discussion - None**
5. **Committee/Advisory Reports**
 - A. **Student, Faculty, Classified and Faculty Senate Reports** – None
 - B. **Advisory Committee – Jackson/Josephine County**

Jackson County meeting was held on 1/3 with a full complement of members in attendance – John Anhorn, Skip Patterson and Dick Rudisile. Josephine County Advisory Committee meeting was held on 1/4 with John Harelson, Midge Renton, and Sharon and Jerry Work in attendance. Peter provided an update on the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) and advised members of the upcoming OEIB community forum scheduled to take place at North Medford High School on 1/25.
 - C. **Board Executive Committee** – Joe Davis reported the committee met on 1/9 and reviewed the January Board of Education meeting agenda
 - D. **Facilities Committee** – Dean Wendle reported the downtown building in Grants Pass will receive new windows. The heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system (HVAC) is nearing installation at the Kerby facility. Facilities will be replacing an aging power transformer in Coates Hall on the Redwood Campus. A pipe was repaired at the Riverside Campus G building in Medford.
 - E. **Finance and Audit Committee** – On behalf of the committee, Pat Ashley reported the committee met prior to the Board meeting and reviewed the December 2011 financial statement. The College’s State reimbursement increased approximately \$104,000 bringing the total State reimbursement to \$5.8 million for 2011/12. The increase results from the typical update for the certified property tax levies and is not due to a change in overall state funding.
 - F. **Foundation Report** – Pat Ashley reported the Foundation is working diligently on fundraising and gearing up for the scholarship application process.

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G. Oregon Community College Association (OCCA)/Oregon School Board Association (OSBA) Reports – Kevin Talbert reported he will be attending the next OCCA Board meeting on 1/30 in Eugene. He anticipates 2-3 bills related to education being implemented during the February legislative session. The Achievement Compacts are a high priority of the Governor. Will the Achievement Compacts be tied to funding? A certain answer is yet to be clarified.

Dean Wendle and Peter met with Representative Wally Hicks, and Peter has also met with Senator Alan Bates.

6. Consent Agenda

Tim Johnson moved, seconded by Pat Ashley, the Board approves the consent agenda as presented:

A. Meeting Minutes

- a. November 15, 2011 Board of Education Meeting

B. Human Resources - None

C. Grants

- a. New Grant(s)
 - 1. Music Equipment Grant
- b. Continuation Grant(s) - None

D. Financial

- a. Monthly Financial Data Report – December 2011
- b. Quarterly Budget Transfers

The motion unanimously carried.

7. Action/Information Items

A. Approval Purchase of Additional Computer Systems for Tech Fee Awards

Joseph Zagorski moved, seconded by Tim Johnson, the Board adopts Resolution No. B61-11/12 approving the purchase of 50 additional computer systems through Dell Marketing L.P. using Tech Fee funds, not to exceed \$39,325.

The motion carried unanimously.

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B. Out of State Employment Self-Insurance Election

Tim Johnson moved, seconded Dean Wendle, the Board adopts Resolution No. HR62-11/12 approving RCC to self-insure employment insurance in the State of California beginning January 1, 2012.

The motion unanimously carried.

C. Board Development – Southern Oregon Business Conference

Kevin Talbert moved, seconded by Joseph Zagorski, the Board adopts Resolution No. P63-11/12, approving the participation of Pat Ashley, Kevin Talbert and Dean Wendle in the Southern Oregon Business Conference.

The motion unanimously carried.

8. President’s Report - Administration/Organization/Information Items

A. President’s Monthly Report

- The Executive Team, Budget Advisory Team, and Faculty consultative group continue to meet to discuss solutions to the projected deficit in the 2012-13 budget.
- As mentioned previously, the OEIB is holding a community forum on Wednesday, 1/25 at North Medford High School from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Peter was asked to serve as a co-convener at the Board’s forum.
- Pat Huycke and Dick Ettinger have agreed to serve as campaign co-chairs in Jackson County and Jennifer Phillippi will serve as co-chair in Josephine County. Peter will provide an update on securing the second Josephine County co-chair as soon as possible.

B. FTE Report – FTE is the same as last year Winter term, with 2012 Spring term anticipated to hold the same as 2011 Spring term. Prior to the recession RCC’s FTE count was around 5,000. It then increased to over 6,000 FTE. Administrators anticipate a reduction back to the 5,000 FTE level over the next 3 to 4 years.

C. Grant Status Report (see file)

D. Quarterly Strategic Planning Update (see file)

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- E. Accreditation Update – The accreditation review on 1/12 with the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities in Bellevue, WA went well. Peter commended Denise Swafford for all of her excellent work with this process.

Tim Johnson suggested publicizing this with local media once the final report is received.

- F. Information Item – Newspaper Articles (see file)

Discussion:

- Kevin Talbert commented that the 40-40-20 goal is driving the educational agenda in Oregon, but this goal does not meet reality. Community colleges and universities cannot realistically support the increased number of students it would take to reach this goal by 2025.
- Joseph Zagorski commented that the State of California is limiting enrollment by allowing a student to make just 3 attempts to pass a class. If students do not pass they can no longer receive funding at that institution. They are now basing things on success versus access.

Joseph Davis called for a 10 minute break from 4:45 to 4:55 p.m.

9. **Executive Session** – Joseph Davis called the meeting into executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) Labor Negotiations at 4:55 p.m. and returned to open session at 5:12 p.m.

10. **Old Business**

A. Discuss “Building Our Community” Program Presentation

Changing the Program meeting day/time received positive feedback from Board members. The pattern change in Program meeting schedule will continue. Board members found this Program presentation informative and thanked staff for their time and effort.

11. **New Business - None**

12. **Board Round Table**

- Pat Ashley voiced her concern regarding the parking changes in downtown Medford. She also wondered if the current number of bike racks at RCC’s downtown Medford Campuses is sufficient. Staff will check into this.

13. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Denise Nelson, Assistant to the President and Board of Education