

District #29
Board of Trustees
Rotunda, Building 3
January 11, 2012

Minutes

Study Session

Call to Order: Chair Lenigan called the Board of Trustees study session to order on January 11, 2012, at 3:03 p.m.

Board of Trustees and Cabinet:

Robert Lenigan, Chair

Bruce Lachney

Mark Martinez

Mary Moss

John Walstrum, President

Amy Goings, VP for Operations & College Relations

Linda Schoonmaker, VP for Finance

Excused Absences: Lua Pritchard, Trustee

Other Attendees:

Gina Hughes, Technology Technician Jason Kruse, Computer & Network Support Technician Sean O'Connor, Webmaster Cherie Steele, Executive Assistant to the President Michael Taylor, Director of Information Technology

Legislative Update (Tab 6)

President Walstrum distributed two documents, a one-page summary of CPTC's legislative ask and the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges' (SBCTC) 2012 legislative agenda. Issues that affect all two-year colleges in Washington State are (1) the preservation of higher education funding, in general, to avoid further cuts; (2) maintaining the State Need Grant and Work Study to keep students statewide in college and working; and (3) financial support for the ctcLink, the new system-wide data storage system. Discussion followed.

President Walstrum reintroduced to trustees Linda Schoonmaker as Vice President for Finance, who replaces former Vice President Kathy Yost.

General Discussion

Vice Chair Lachney and President Walstrum will attend the Association for Community and Technical Colleges (ACCT) National Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C., February 13-17. Erin Brown, Trustees Association for Community and Technical Colleges (TACTC), will make arrangements for visits to members of Congress representing Pierce County, which will include the offices of Senators Murray and Cantwell.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order: Chair Lenigan called the Board of Trustees regular meeting to order on January 11, 2012, at 4:01 p.m.

Board of Trustees and Cabinet:

Robert Lenigan, Chair

John Walstrum, President

Bruce Lachney

Lori Banaszak, VP for Instruction

Mark Martinez

Amy Goings, VP for Operations & College Relations

Mary Moss

Linda Schoonmaker, VP for Finance

June Stacey-Clemons, VP for Student Services

Assistant Attorney General: Terry Ryan

Excused Absences: Lua Pritchard, Trustee

Other Attendees:

Mabel Edmonds, Dean of Workforce Development

Lisa Fortson, Assistant Financial Aid Director

Kathleen Hathaway, Social Services Instructor

Gina Hughes, Technology Technician

Wendy Joseph, Financial Aid Director

Joyce Loveday, Assistant Vice President for Instruction

Taylor McGovern, Counselor

Sean O'Connor, Webmaster

Deborah Ranniger, Executive Director, Resource Development

Cynthia Requa, Coordinator of Institutional Research & Planning

Michelle Simpkins, Assistant Dean of Health and Human Services

Cherie Steele, Executive Assistant to the President

Valerie Sundby-Thorpe, Assistant Dean

Jim Tuttle, Chief Human Resources and Legal Affairs Officer

Adoption of the Agenda (Tab 1)

MOTION:

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented made by Mark Martinez, seconded by Bruce Lachney. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes (Tab 2)

MOTION:

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 14, 2011, made by Mary Moss, seconded by Mark Martinez. Approved unanimously.

President's Report

Lakewood United, Five CPTC Students Speaking

Dr. Phil Venditti, Speech/Communications Instructor, has taken many of his students to public speaking events. In December, five students gave presentations at the weekly Lakewood United meeting.

Aerospace Presidents' Meeting

Approximately a year ago, presidents of two-year colleges that offer aviation programs started meeting regularly to collectively request grants, etc. Since then, Boeing has received a number of contracts and an agreement that the 737 Max will be built in this area. As a result, the College has received funds earmarked for aerospace-related programs. In response to a request by the SBCTC, the colleges have formalized the aerospace group, now numbering eleven, and President Walstrum will be the chair of the group.

Lakewood's Promise Meeting

Lakewood has been identified as one of top 100 best communities for young people. President Walstrum and the College will be more involved in Lakewood's Promise activities this year, as they work to find ways to meet the needs of students in Lakewood public schools.

Meeting with Rep. Larry Seaguist

Representative Larry Seaquist, Chair of the House Higher Education Committee, contacted the College and asked if he could visit to discuss some issues before the legislative session began. President Walstrum, Vice President Banaszak, and Dean Bird met with Representative Seaquist to discuss getting more veterans involved with the aerospace-related programs and jobs. The College and Representative Seaquist's office are drafting a plan.

Meeting with Representatives from the Boys' & Girls' Clubs

Representatives from the Lakewood Boys and Girls Club met with College administrators for the purpose of establishing a stronger relationship with Clover Park Technical College, with the possibility of having some of their employees intern at the College. As the partnership develops, more information will follow.

Student Achievement Initiative Task Force Meeting

Five years ago, the State Board for Community and Technical College (SBCTC) approved the Student Achievement Initiative (SAI), which is performance-based funding for schools. Colleges can receive more funding based on student performance rather than just on their attendance. One of the measures of success is getting the student to the finish line, with a degree, certificate, or obtaining an apprenticeship certificate. The program is now due for a five-year evaluation.

Joint City/School/Fire Meeting

President Walstrum and Vice President Goings represented the College at a joint meeting with the City of Lakewood, Fire Department, Clover Park School District, and Pierce College. The meeting concerned emergency preparedness with a presentation by Homeland Security Center of Excellence personnel (housed at Pierce College) on how to coordinate activities among the agencies to best help citizens in the event of an emergency.

College Reports

Associated Student Government (ASG) Report

Vice President Stacey-Clemons stated that the ASG President had a medical emergency and could not be at tonight's meeting. She also reported that the ASG Executive Committee attended a two-day workshop to enhance their leadership skills.

Chair Lenigan brought up the subject of students in need. Vice President Stacey-Clemons noted that the ASG and College personnel had some discussions concerning this topic, but nothing had been solidified. Student Services staff make city, county, and state resources known to students in need.

Foster Youth Program (Tab 5)

Taylor McGovern, Counselor, and Wendy Joseph, Financial Aid Director, presented the attached material on the Solid Start Youth Club, which supports foster students with funding and services to help them stay in college.

Instruction Report (Tabs 3 & 4)

Vice President Banaszak introduced Kathleen Hathaway, Human Services Program instructor, who reported on her program, community service projects, internships, Phi Theta Kappa, and types of jobs graduates obtain. She also noted that at least 50 percent of the program graduates go on to receive their BA or MA.

Chair's Report

Chair Lenigan noted that the trustees will be in Olympia, January 23-24, for the TACTC Winter Conference and to meet with legislators concerning issues that affect the College.

Board Reports and/or Remarks

Trustee Moss welcomed Vice President Schoonmaker back to the College.

Public Comments

No public comments.

New Business

None.

Executive Session

No Executive Session.

Next Meeting:

February 8, 2012.

Adjournment:
Chair Lenigan adjourned the Regular Meeting at 4:57 p.m.

President College District Twenty-Nine

Robert Lenigan, Ph.D.

Chair, Board of Trustees

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