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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 5, 2020, 4:30 p.m.
M.L. King Jr. Room
Hopf Union Building, Yakima Campus

Chair Cate called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Board of Trustees Present

Dr. Sara Cate, Chair

Mr. Patrick Baldoz

Ms. Rosalinda Mendoza (by phone)

Mr. Neil McClure

Mr. Robert Ozuna, Vice Chair

Others Present

YVC Student

YVC Staff

Introduction of Guests and New Employees

Mr. Steve Sloniker, presenter

B. Proposed Changes to the Agenda. There were no changes to the agenda.

C. Approval of Minutes: Trustee Baldoz moved that the minutes of the Special and Regular Meetings of January 9, 2020 be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ozuna and passed unanimously.

D. Celebrating Excellence: Mr. Miguel Blancas, presented on the ASYVC Proposal for a Food Pantry. He talked about the collaboration between the Yakima Rotaract Club, Transfer Club, the Connection Bridge to College Club, ASYVC Student Government and the Office of Student Life. A formal request for funding was made to establish the pantry, Dr. Rich identified a space for the YVC Campus, and potential space has been identified on the Grandview Campus. Volunteers, student government, club members, and student ambassadors will assist in the operations of the pantry with a goal to open at the beginning of spring quarter. A copy of the handout is filed with these minutes in the President's office.

E. Community Partner Perspective: Mr. David Lynx, Director of the Larson Gallery, discussed the partnership between the Gallery and YVC. The Gallery is looking forward to its new space and the expansion of parking which will they are hopeful with double the number of visitors. David indicated the Gallery is hoping to have its grand opening in January 2021. Dr. Kaminski thanked David for all that he does for the college, including classes, bringing visitors to the Campus and exhibits.

F. Action Items

1. **Exceptional Faculty Awards**, Mr. Tomas Ybarra, presenter

Mr. Tomás Ybarra stated that the Washington State Legislature under RCW 28B.50.835 authorized an exceptional faculty award program to “foster partnerships by creating matching grant programs to assist public community and technical colleges in creating endowments for funding exceptional faculty awards.” In 1992, Yakima Valley College and the YVC Foundation agreed to participate in the program for exceptional faculty.

In 2001, in accordance with RCW 28B.50.843, the college negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding with the faculty union regarding the process for determining local awards from the Exceptional Faculty Awards fund invested by the YVC Foundation. The MOU reflected the division structure in place at that time.

The faculty union executive board and the college have agreed on a Faculty Development Committee that reflects the current division structure. The committee is composed of one dean, one Arts & Sciences faculty, one Workforce Education faculty, one College and Career Readiness faculty, one faculty counselor, and one librarian. This committee has received and reviewed eight (8) faculty proposals for winter 2020. The final recommendations are provided in the document submitted today for the board’s approval.

MOTION 20-02-01: Trustee McClure moved that the Board of Trustees adopts a motion to approve the recommended award amounts to the recipients as submitted by the Faculty Development Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mendoza and passed unanimously.

G. Communications: There were no communications.

H. Reports

1. **Board of Trustees**

Dr. Sara Cate, Chair reported that Trustees Ozuna and McClure will be attending the National Legislative summit in Washington D.C. next week with Dr. Kaminski. She also reported that She and Trustee Mendoza would be attending the Transforming Lives Ceremony and ACT Legislative Conference at the end of February.

2. **Students**

Hope Wilson, President of ASYVC, discussed some past and upcoming events. She indicated there was some good discussions at the fireside chat about the food pantry and parking. Hope introduced a student, Ms. Ramos who shared some of her experiences at YVC. She hopes to be graduating winter quarter with her AA.

Abraham Lopez, President of Grandview Student Council, also discussed some past and future events. Abraham introduced Ester who is an Ambassador with GSC, she is a running start student who hopes to graduate with her AA and transfer to WSU.

3. **Classified Staff** — *No report*

4. **Professional Staff** – *No report*

5. **Faculty**

Rachel Dorn, AFT-Y Yakima President, discussed advising day and talked about the history of pathway advising. Rachel also talked about the equity conversation between faculty and administration.

6. Vice President for Administrative Services

Dr. Teresa Rich discussed the ctcLink update, under the guidance of Clarissa Wolfe we are making substantial progress in our pre-implementation. Dr. Rich discussed the exit conference for the Financial Statement Audit scheduled for February 14th. The audit will be presented at the March board meeting. She provided the board with an update on the IRS 1099, 1098 penalty. The IRS accepted our explanation and waived the penalty.

7. Vice President for Instruction and Student Services

Vice President Tomás Ybarra discussed the accreditation status, he expects us to be renewed.

8. President

Community Relations Report

Mr. Jay Frank, Director of Community Relations, discussed some of the events on the February events calendar. On February 11th there will be a lecture on the Intelligence of Trees, on the 19th a discussion on the Bert Grant and the Rise of Craft Brewing.

Human Resource Activity Report

Mr. Steve Sloniker, Executive Director of Human Resource, reported that the HR team is currently bargaining with the Exempt bargaining team and will begin bargaining with Faculty in a month or so. Steve discussed the upcoming training for staff and deans and directors.

Presidents Report

1) The FTE/Census reports will be emailed to the Board. 2) Dr. Kaminski discussed the handouts that would be distributed to legislators in D.C. 3) She provided copies of donation letters to the Board. 4) Dr. Kaminski discussed her meeting with the new Interim City Manager. 5) Dr. Kaminski talked about her most recent WACTC legislative update conference call.

I. Call to the Public. No one present indicated a desire to address the Board.

J. Date of Next Meeting. The next Regular meeting will be **Thursday March 12, 2020** in the M.L. King Jr. Room, Hopf Union Building, Yakima Campus.

K. Executive Session. No executive session was called.

L. Action Items. N/A

M. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

SARA CATE

Dr. Sara Cate, Chair

LINDA KAMINSKI

Attest: Linda Kaminski, Secretary