

TRUSTEE OF MESA STATE COLLEGE
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 15, 2006

Coors Field

Denver, Colorado

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Elliott called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Trustee Colgan, Trustee Feeley, Trustee Franke, Trustee Gallegos, Trustee Kaesemeyer, Trustee Meyer, Trustee Monfort, Trustee North, Chairman Elliott, Faculty Trustee O'Roark, Student Trustee Soper.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Monfort moved to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2005, meeting. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Trustee Colgan moved to appoint Trustee North as Vice-President to the Mesa State College Board of Trustees in lieu of the vacancy left by departing Trustee Cole Wist. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Monfort moved to accept the consent agenda. Trustee North seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the cost of Sabbatical leave to the College and clarification of salaries when faculty are promoted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

President: President Foster congratulated Chairman Elliott on her recent national award given to her by the United States Tennis Association. The College is back in session and celebrated Black History Month. The Martin Luther King celebration on campus was a successful event. President Foster thanked Trustee Gallegos and Trustee Meyer for their help and expertise on the residence hall construction. Mike Feeley testified on the Investment Authority Bill and it passed 4-3. President Foster thanked Trustee Monfort for hosting the trustee meeting and the upcoming admission conference which will be held on February 27-28, 2006. Enrollment is down slightly from last spring but up from the fall. The NCA has agreed to revisit the Teacher Education Program. President Foster highlighted the quarterly progress of the 2005-2006 Goals and Measures. More specifically the following areas were discussed: retention, Saunders Fieldhouse, athletics, program prioritization, community college, remediation classes.

Faculty Trustee: Faculty Trustee O’Roark advised on the retention programs being initiated, faculty search committees, and program reviews. Additionally, J-Term increased in enrollment as well as faculty participation.

Student Trustee: Student Trustee Soper provided a written report. He advised that there was good participation with the Martin Luther King celebration and although Senate Bill 05-86 was defeated both Student Trustees enjoyed the process. He also reported that ASG President Joel Dyar has initiated a petition for a study-abroad program.

ASG President: No Report.

Faculty Senate President: No Report.

Classified Staff Council President: No Report.

Board Chair: Chairman Elliott gave a status report on their fundraising efforts. To date, the Archuletta match has raised approximately \$40,000. President Foster and Chairman Elliott have made 34 community calls and followed up with 21 of those individuals. Cash raised is approximately \$201,000, with in-kind gifts totaling approximately \$50,000. The breakdown of the cash raised is: \$54,000-Scholarship, \$35,000-Gala, with most of the remaining designated for the discretionary fund. Chairman Elliott advised that the health care industry has committed approximately \$800,000 to the College; primarily because of President Foster and his efforts.

Chairman Elliott recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12:25 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Faculty Tenure – Futhey

Vice President Futhey recommended granting faculty tenure to Richard Cowden, Theresa Friedman, Geoffrey J. Gurka, Kristen Hague, Warren MacEvoy and Anne Spalding.

Discussion on the tenure process and previous credit given to faculty.

Trustee North moved to grant faculty tenure to Richard Cowden, Theresa Friedman, Geoffrey J. Gurka, Kristen Hague, Warren MacEvoy and Anne Spalding effective with the Academic Year 2006-2007. Trustee Feeley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget/Financials – Schweigert

Chief Financial Officer Schweigert discussed the need for a 2.5% tuition increase.

Discussion on the effect the tuition increase will have on the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) students.

Trustee Meyer moved to approve the FY2006-2007 Tuition and Fee rates as proposed in the table provided. The table incorporates a 2.5% increase in the student's share of undergraduate resident per credit hour tuition rates over existing approved rates. No net change in hourly student fees is proposed. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FY2006 Financial Report -- Schweigert

Chief Financial Officer Schweigert provided an update on the FY2006 Financial Report as of December 31, 2005. The revenues are currently on target and expenses are down. The College is doing quite well considering the slight drop in enrollment.

Discussion on COF stipend, soft enrollment figures, and stipend revenue which was originally projected on a 3% growth in enrollment which was not realized.

MSC Audited Financial Statement for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2005 – Schweigert

Chief Financial Officer Schweigert pointed out there were no recommendations and Mesa State College is in a healthy position.

Trustee Colgan moved to receive and place on file the Mesa State College Audited Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2005. Trustee North seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Program Plan Saunders Fieldhouse – van de Boogaard

Erik van de Boogaard presented the Saunders Multi-Use Facility Program Plan and pointed out there have been some minor clerical and phasing adjustments along with modifying the financial approach.

Trustee North moved to give final approval to the Saunders Fieldhouse Multi-Use Facility Program Plan. Trustee Meyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Residence Hall Update – van de Boogaard

Erik van de Boogaard advised Kiewit Construction is ahead of schedule and currently under budget.

Chairman Elliott recessed at 1:50 p.m. and reconvened at 2:15 p.m.

Financial Aid – Martin

Director of Financial Aid, Curt Martin, provided a presentation on Financial Aid utilization at Mesa State College. He provided background on financial aid and how we can increase its effectiveness and efficiency.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Franke moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Meyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

