

**TRUSTEES OF MESA STATE COLLEGE
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 4, 2009
Mesa State College
Gallegos Board Room**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Monfort called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Trustee Colgan, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Feeley, Trustee Franke, Trustee Gallegos, Trustee Price, Trustee Skinner, Trustee North, Faculty Trustee Atkinson, Student Trustee Keen, Chair Monfort.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Michael Mahon, Amanda Ardery, Clare Boulanger spoke about the Anthropology program at Mesa State College. Tom Acker commented on maintaining foreign language courses within the degree distinction programs, and Alison Deshotels on the location of the Board of Trustee agenda posting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Colgan moved to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2009, meeting. Trustee Elliott seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION:

Vice President Futhey introduced Kristy Reuss, the Department Head of Health Science. Dr. Reuss reported on a possible graduate nursing program at Mesa State College.

REPORTS:

Board Chair: Thanked everyone for their attendance.

President: President Foster commented on the additional budget cuts to higher education.

Faculty Trustee: Faculty Trustee Atkinson reported that a Pre-Tenure Committee has been formed to assist junior faculty.

Faculty Senate President: Steve Werman reported that Faculty Senate is currently filling vacancies in their standing committees. He further indicated that they are recommending a change in the By-Laws to require two year terms. The Curriculum Committee, Pre-Tenure Review Committee, and Faculty Salary and Benefit Committee have been working diligently this Fall.

Student Trustee: Student Trustee Keen reported there will be two additional forums on the Campus Tobacco Policy. A statewide conference for student governments will be held to discuss funding for higher education which he will be attending.

ASG President: ASG President Hendershot introduced Nick Lopez, the Vice President of ASG. Mr. Lopez gave a presentation on the Campus Tobacco Policy.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Trustee Gallegos moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Elliott seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

BUDGET/FINANCIALS:

Vice President Doyle presented the 1st Quarter Financials and advised on the budget planning process. He further reported that the Series 2009 A&B Bonds were sold on September 24, 2009.

Trustee North moved to approve a 2.65% cost-of-living salary increase for all exempt faculty and staff actively employed on June 30, 2010, with an effective date of July 1, 2010. Trustee Colgan seconded. The motion passed 8-1, with Trustee Gallegos voting con.

APQPP UPDATE:

Vice President Futhey provided an update and recommendation on Anthropology Concentration and Minor.

Trustee Colgan moved:

1. Mesa State College has conducted a program priority analysis under the direction of the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The program priority analysis involved the appropriate program administrator, Department Head of the Social and Behavioral Sciences, and the executive committee of the faculty senate, as well as campus-wide representation of faculty and administrators who were appointed by the President.
 - a. Following the analysis of financial and programmatic needs, staff recommends that the trustees terminate the B.A., Sociology, Anthropology Concentration (only) and Minor in Anthropology and reduce the program's full time faculty by one (currently tenured) appointment based on the ordering of program faculty.
 - b. Having reviewed the program priority analysis and finding it to have been conducted in accordance with the current Mesa State College Professional Personnel Employment Handbook and the Handbook as it existed in 1998 when the affected faculty attained tenure, and the 1993 Handbook, when the affected faculty was hired, the Board finds that the elimination of the Anthropology concentration is a justifiable change in program.
2. A systematic review of Anthropology faculty qualifications was completed by the Social and Behavioral Department Head and the Vice President for Academic Affairs in accord with Section XI of the current Mesa State College Professional Personnel Employment Handbook and the Handbook as it existed in 1993 and 1998. The president has reviewed the list and it has now been presented to the Board for approval.

- a. There are two anthropologists on staff. Based on priority guidelines set forth, the Board approves the recommendation of the Department Chair and Vice President for Academic Affairs, as approved by the President, to terminate the employment of Dr. Clare Boulanger as Professor of Anthropology at Mesa State College.
- b. Prior to dismissal from Mesa State College, every reasonable effort to relocate Dr. Boulanger within the institution shall be made.
- c. At least 180 days notice shall be provided to the tenured faculty member whose employment is to be terminated because of the program elimination.

Trustee North seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Monfort recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

MSCREF:

Vice President Doyle presented a report on the Mesa State College Real Estate Foundation and the trustees' rights and responsibilities.

BOOK RENTAL PROGRAM:

A report on the MSC textbook rental program was given by Vice President Doyle.

MSC MARKETING PRESENTATION:

Kristi Pollard, Director of Development, introduced Mike Mansheim, Director of Marketing and Publication. Mr. Mansheim provided an update on the recent marketing campaign.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Monfort adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.