

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
GRAND JUNCTION, CO
August 17, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Quimby called the meeting to order at 9:48 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Trustee Bechtel, Bishop, Brough, Eck, Marquez, Martinez, Quimby, Reed, Robinson, Wilson, Faculty Trustee Middleton and Student Trustee Flores were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Bishop moved to accept the minutes. Trustee Brough seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kelly Flenniken, Sarah Schrader and John Williams addressed the Trustees seeking their support for their bond issue for School District 51. The Trustees will discuss at next meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Quimby proposed a slate of officers to include Betty Bechtel, Chair; David Reed, Vice-Chair; Bob Wilson, Treasurer; Kathleen Eck, Secretary.

Trustee Marquez moved to approve the slate of officers as proposed. Trustee Bishop seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

CHAIR. Outgoing Chair Quimby turned the meeting over to Trustee Bechtel. Chair Bechtel acknowledged Trustee Quimby's leadership during the past two years. She commented on the experience of Capital Conference and the dinner with the Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE).

PRESIDENT. President Foster commented on the Capital Conference and the ten students that attended from CMU. He mentioned the plans for the first Convocation to be held on Saturday, August 19 at Brownson Arena. He spoke about the preparations for the semester on campus with the move-in of students that started last weekend and continues through this coming weekend. He commented on the CCHE dinner and meetings.

FACULTY TRUSTEE. Trustee Middleton spoke about the welcome to campus for faculty members and gave a brief summary of the new faculty, their backgrounds and some of the stand out accomplishments and their impressions of the university. He introduced Josh Butler, Faculty Senate President.

STUDENT TRUSTEE. Trustee Flores spoke about ASG and the direction it is taking to be more involved with students, reconsidering the smoke-free campus, staying connected with clubs and being more informed on state and local government.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Quimby moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Eck seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

TREASURER'S REPORT. Trustee Wilson had no additional comments to the written report provided and reviewed by the Finance Committee.

PROGRAM REVIEW: EARLY CHILDHOOD, SPECIAL EDUCATION. Tammie Vail Shoultz-McCole, Program Director, presented the program review.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND CONTROLLED MAINTENANCE REQUEST 2018-2019. Vice-President Glatt presented the Capital Construction and Controlled Maintenance request for the 2018-19 FY.

Trustee Eck moved to approve the FY 2018-19 Capital Construction Request as outlined, affirming that the program plans (a) conform with the institutional master plan as well as the academic plan, (b) benefit the educational program housed in the facility, (c) include operating and capital costs that are appropriate to the educational program and to the source and method of financing and (d) are included in the institutional five-year capital construction program schedule. Furthermore, approve the FY 2018-19 Controlled Maintenance Request as proposed. Trustee Reed seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FULBRIGHT SPECIALIST LEAVE. President Foster reported on the invitation Dr. Cynthia Pemberton received to participate as a U.S. Fulbright Specialist to the Kingdom of Jordan for a month.

Trustee Bishop moved to approve the request of President Foster for Dr. Pemberton to receive Administrative Leave with pay for the month of October 2017. Trustee Marquez seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DASHBOARD. Vice President Laura Glatt presented the financial report as of June 30, 2017.

PROGRAM REVIEW: ACCOUNTING. Dr. Steve Norman, Department Head for Business, presented the program review.

PROGRAM REVIEW: COMPUTER SCIENCE. Dr. Lori Payne, Department Head for Computer Science, Mathematics & Statistics, presented the program review.

Chairman Bechtel called for a lunch break 11:40 a.m. the meeting reconvened at 1:10 pm

HLC REVIEW. Dr. Carol Futhey presented the HLC review.

Trustee Bishop moved to approve the Assurance Argument prepared for the Higher Learning Commission. Trustee Reed seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY. Vice President Dennis Bailey presented the changes to existing programs and new certificate programs.

Trustee Marquez moved that the Trustees approve the substantive changes to existing Information and Communication Technology programs. Trustee Brough seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL AID. Update was provided by Vice President John Marshall.

BRIEF VISIT BY LEVI LUCERO. City Council voted on August 16 to rename North Avenue to University Boulevard. Community member Levi Lucero, who originally proposed the renaming and actively participated in achieving this result, joined the meeting briefly to provide history about his efforts and receive Board members' questions and congratulations regarding his success.

Chairman Bechtel called for a short break at 2:14 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 2:21 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Trustee Quimby moved that the board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of meeting with its Attorney, Michael Santo, for legal advice regarding a potential litigation, pursuant to CRS section 24-6-401 (3) (c) (II) and Real Estate Transaction pursuant to section 24-6-402 (3) (a) (I). Trustee Brough seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Executive Session ended at 3:27 p.m. and the regular meeting reconvened.

WIGISAS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND PATH FORWARD PLAN. Vice President Pemberton presented the Summary provided by the Working Group to Improve Student Academic Success.

REVISIONS TO INVESTMENT GUIDELINES. Vice President Glatt presented the Investment Advisory Committee's recommendation to revise the Investment Guidelines. Trustee Marquez moved that the Trustees approve the revision of the Investment Guideline Statement to allow for international equity investments of up to 40%. Trustee Reed seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Eck moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Bishop seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bechtel adjourned the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

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