

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 19, 2011
Colorado Mesa University
Gallegos Board Room

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Trustees Present:

Trustee Eck, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Marquez, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Monfort (via phone conference), Trustee Robinson, Trustee Skinner, Trustee Wilson, Faculty Trustee Wilhelm, Student Trustee Cooper, and Chair Price.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Eck moved to approve the minutes of the August 18-19, 2011 meeting. Trustee Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

REPORTS:

Chair: Chair Price commented on what a great start to the new academic year CMU is having.

President: President Foster provided an update on the budget cuts facing higher education, the University's participation with the local ice rink, and Western State College's potential name change.

Faculty Trustee: Faculty Trustee Wilhelm provided a faculty profile and the day-to-day schedule of a faculty. A discussion on faculty work-load and satisfaction ensued.

Student Trustee: Trustee Cooper advised on the high level of participation in the ASG elections. He further reported on the increase in prices for student passes with Grand Valley Transit and bringing ROTC to campus.

ASG President: ASG President Kawcak reported that he and several students would be attending a Higher Education Master Plan Focus Group on the CCHE Strategic Plan. He further reported on the December Commencement, the new 12th Street medians, and the possibility of bring Greek-life to campus.

Faculty Senate: Faculty Senate Bradley reported on the Handbook Committee and revisions that they are discussing.

CONSENT:

Trustee Robinson moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Eck seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

STATE BUDGET:

Henry Sobanet and James Jacobs provided a report and presentation on the Colorado State Budget and how it effects funding for higher education.

Chair Price recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

WORKING GROUP TO IMPROVE STUDENT ACADEMIC SUCCESS:

Vice President Futhey provided an update on the findings of the Working Group to Improve Student Academic Success.

BUDGET:

Vice President Doyle reported on the Status of the 1st Quarter Financials.

Trustee Elliott moved to approve the revisions to the FY2011-2012 operating budget. Trustee Hernandez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Elliott moved to approve the Authorizing Parameters Resolution as presented. Trustee Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION – DIVESTITURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION:

Vice President Doyle provided a presentation on A Public Good: Preserving Access to Public Higher Education in Colorado.

Trustee Eck moved to explore the feasibility and development of legislation to support the concept as presented in “A Public Good: Preserving Access to Public Higher Education in Colorado.” Trustee Skinner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADMISSIONS STANDARD:

Vice President Futhey reported on Colorado Mesa University’s Admission Index.

MARKETING REPORT:

Rick Taggart, Acting Executive Director of Marketing and Recruitment, provided a marketing update for Colorado Mesa University.

ADMISSION UPDATE:

Jared Meier, Director of Admissions, reported on CMU Admissions.

Chair Price recessed at 3:10 p.m. and reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

WESTERN STATE COLLEGE NAME CHANGE:

Jay Helman, President of Western State College, provided an update on the potential name change for Western State College.

RESOLUTION MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT 51 REFERRED MEASURE 3B:

Trustee Robinson moved to approve Resolution 11-001 Support of Mesa County Valley School District 51 Referred Measure 3B. Trustee Eck seconded. The motion passed unanimously

NAMING:

Trustee Marquez moved to approve the Walter Almond Kelley Herbarium and Dieter Sander Engineering Lecture Hall. Trustee Elliott seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 4:05 p.m.