

**TRUSTEES OF MESA STATE COLLEGE
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 6-7, 2007
Mesa State College
Grand Junction, Colorado**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gallegos called the working session meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. on September 6, 2007.

Chair Gallegos reiterated the trustees' seven goals from the June 5-6, 2007 meeting: Board Continuity and Succession, Fundraising and Foundation, Western Colorado Community College/Mesa State College, Faculty Recruitment and Retention, Student Recruitment and Retention, University Status and Core Curriculum and Academic Excellence.

Vice-President Breckel, Vice President Arzy and Vice President Futhey updated the board and led discussions on Student Recruitment and Retention, Western Colorado Community College/Mesa State College, and Faculty Recruitment and Retention.

Chair Gallegos recessed at 12:35 p.m. and reconvened at 2:16 p.m.

Trustee's Present:

Trustee Colgan, Trustee Kaesemeyer, Trustee Meyer, Trustee Monfort, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Franke, Trustee Feeley, Faculty Trustee O'Roark, Student Trustee Mates, Chair Gallegos.

Trustee Excused:

Trustee North

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Colgan moved to approve the June 5-6, 2007 minutes with the following clarification. On page 21 following the introduction of Wayne G. Griffin the minutes would read: Seven goals were identified and discussed, and four were determined to be high priority for 2007-2008: Fundraising/Foundation, Western Colorado Community College/Mesa State College partnership, Student Recruitment/Retention and Faculty Recruitment/Retention. Trustee Elliott seconded. The minutes were approved as corrected.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

Board Chair: Chair Gallegos welcomed everyone back and thanked Trustee Elliott for her hard work on behalf of the College.

President: President Foster advised that enrollment is up. However, due to enrollment there is a current parking shortage. New parking lots will be forthcoming in the next few months. The Colorado Commission on Higher Education has asked the College to participate in budget presentations. Further, the Office of State Planning and Budgeting visited the campus this summer and it was very positive. In August the new soccer stadium opened with a day of activities in which the community could participate. Finally, the College hosted the first Alpine Student of the Month luncheon for the upcoming academic year.

Student Trustee: Ashley Mates provided a joint written report with ASG President Adam Davenport. She highlighted that there are 14 open senate positions and elections are scheduled in the near future. She reported that they have set a goal of reaching out to the community of Grand Junction to become a “home” to Mesa State College students.

ASG President: Adam Davenport advised that campus safety is a high priority for Associated Student Government and asked the Board of Trustees to incorporate campus safety as a goal for them as well. Additionally, he pointed out the need for Mesa State College’s sovereignty and smart campus growth.

Legislative Update: Gayle Berry reported the main focus recently has been on capital construction because the legislature has an additional \$40 million. Executive Director of CCHE, David Skaggs, called a meeting with the higher education lobbyists and shared his thoughts on the upcoming 2008 legislative session. She further advised that she has an appointment with the State Treasurer to discuss investment authority. Conversations on severance tax funds funding higher education are continuing and no decisions will be made until the 2008 legislative session.

CONSENT

Trustee Colgan moved to accept the consent agenda. Trustee Franke seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS

Vice President Doyle discussed the FY2007 operating budget. The College continues to be in a very positive position.

BUDGET

Vice President Doyle presented the FY2008-2009 budget process and planning calendar. There will be three target areas: people, programs and access.

Chair Gallegos recessed at 3:50 p.m. and reconvened at 4:06 p.m.

ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACT

Vice President Doyle discussed the benefits of an energy savings performance contract and introduced Matt Rush from Chevron Energy Solutions.

Trustee Colgan moved to authorize the President and Vice President for Finance and Administration to enter into an Energy Savings Performance Contract with Chevron Energy Solutions and to secure capital lease financing for the project from a qualified financial lender offering the lowest capital lease interest rates. Trustee Meyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIES

Vice President Doyle presented the FY2008-2009 Five-Year Capital Construction Plan.

Discussion followed on project prioritization.

Chair Gallegos recessed at 4:47 p.m. on September 6, 2007, and reconvened on September 7, 2007, at 8:08 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Trustee Colgan, Trustee Kaesemeyer, Trustee Meyer, Trustee Monfort, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Franke, Trustee Feeley, Faculty Trustee O’Roark, Student Trustee Mates, Chair Gallegos.

Trustee Excused:

Trustee North

Chair Gallegos advised that two items need to be added to the agenda: Remodel of Existing Buildings for Occupancy by the Admissions Department, Residential Life Department and the Outdoor Program Department, which will be included with Item D, Item H will be added to the agenda and entitled Facility Name Recognition.

Trustee Feeley moved to add the two additional items as stated to the agenda. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Director of Development John Marshall reported that the College shows an average annual growth in fundraising.

Discussion on the Annual Fund, MSC Alumni and Naming Rights.

John Marshall introduced Terry Farina and Doralynn Genova as co-chairs of the Saunders Capital Campaign drive. They reported on the progress to date.

CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIES

Vice President Doyle discussed the FY2008-2009 Controlled Maintenance Project Request.

Trustee Elliott moved to approve the Mesa State College FY2008-2009 Five-Year Capital Construction Plan, FY 2008-2009 Controlled Maintenance Project Request as

presented and recommended by staff, and to approve the Remodel of Existing Buildings for Occupancy by the Admissions Department, Residential Life Department and the Outdoor Program Department. Trustee Franke seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FOUNDATION BUDGET

John Marshall introduced Ginger Rodabaugh, the Foundation Administrator, and Clay Tufley an executive board member of the Mesa State College Foundation.

Clay Tufley presented the Mesa State College Foundation Operating Budget FY 2007-2008.

Discussion on the MSC Foundation fundraiser.

Trustee Franke moved to approve the Mesa State College Foundation Operating Budget FY2007-2008. Trustee Monfort seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Franke moved that the Mesa State College Board of Trustees convene in executive session to discuss litigation settlement in accordance with Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(b)(I). Trustee Feeley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Gallegos convened in executive session at 9:40 a.m. and reconvened in general session at 10:22 a.m.

Trustee Feeley moved to accept the Settlement Agreement proposed in said litigation. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded.

The motion failed 5-3. Trustee Colgan, Trustee Meyer, Trustee Monfort, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Franke, opposed. Trustee Kaesemeyer, Trustee Feeley, Chair Gallegos voted favorably.

FACILITY NAMING RECOGNITION

Discussion on facility naming recognition. The policy and guidelines for facility naming recognitions will be reviewed.

Trustee Kaesemeyer moved to approve the naming of two facilities:

Building A, Western Colorado Community College, be named in honor of Dr. Kerry Youngblood.

Lowell Heiny Hall Amphitheater be named in honor of Dr. Gordon Gilbert.

Trustee Franke seconded.

The motion passed 6-2. Trustee Colgan, Trustee Kaesemeyer, Trustee Elliott, Trustee Franke, Trustee Feeley, Chair Gallegos voted favorably. Trustee Meyer, Trustee Monfort opposed.

Discussion on Saunder's Capital Campaign drive.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Elliott moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Kaesemeyer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.