

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
GALLEGOS BOARD ROOM
DOMINGUEZ HALL
COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
GRAND JUNCTION, CO
December 3, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER – 10:00AM

- A. Roll Call- Trustees Bechtel, Bishop, Eck, Marquez, Martinez, Price, Quimby, Ringel, Wilson, Faculty Trustee Slauson, Student Trustee Barlow and Chair Robinson were present. Trustee Herzmark was excused.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Approval of Minutes (Action) –October 13, 2014
 - 1. Trustee Bechtel moved for the approval of the October 13, 2014 minutes. Trustee Bishop seconded the motion. Motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.
- D. Public Comments
 - 1. Kamie Long, Tree Campus USA signed up to present the Board of Trustees a plaque on behalf of Tree Campus USA.

II. REPORTS:

A. Chair – Dan Robinson

Chairman Robinson updated the board on the library groundbreaking event. He also mentioned the success of the athletic teams.

B. President – Tim Foster

President Foster mentioned that graduation will be on December 12, 2014 and encouraged everyone to attend. He has been teaching a business law class and the semester is wrapping up. President Foster touched on the performance funding model and who will be joining the trustees at lunch.

C. Treasurer - Betty Bechtel

Trustee Bechtel gave a report on the current financials in higher education at the state level and where capital construction falls on the list. The audit is complete and there are no findings but a full update will come in January.

D. Faculty Trustee – Gayla Slauson

Faculty Trustee Slauson talked about the importance of motivating students in order for them to be successful. Connecting with students is key and that takes motivating the faculty. She thanked the board for all of their work and all they do for faculty.

E. ASG President – Connor Boe

Connor recognized Adrienne Barlow for her work as the Student Trustee. She is graduating in December so this is her last meeting. Kaemen Chiles was introduced as the new Student Trustee starting in January.

Over the last few months, ASG has worked hard on their budget and will be expanding the Mav Ride programs, adding a Sustainability Council and allocating additional funds to support the Club sports trainer. He touched on the blue safety lights on campus and Trustee Martinez mentioned it does make people feel safer to have them accessible. The students have also met with other Colorado higher education institutions' student governments to discuss options of meeting more often to discuss current issues.

III. POSSIBLE ACTION/DISCUSSION

A. Consent Items (Action) - Pat Doyle

1. Personnel

Trustee Price moved for approval of the consent agenda. Trustee Ringel seconded the motion. The consent agenda approved unanimously.

B. Budget/Financials- Pat Doyle

1. Financial Summary(Information)
2. FY 2015/16 Budget – Exempt Faculty and Staff Compensation (Action)
3. Budget Planning Process Briefing—FY 2015/16 (Information)

Vice President Doyle joined at the table to give an overview of the financial summary. He discussed the challenge of remaining an Enterprise with the success CMU has had with Capital Construction funds from the state. There was a discussion about the effects of reaching TABOR limits and what the effects are on CMU if the university falls out of Enterprise status.

Doyle continued explaining the FY 2015-16 budget for exempt faculty and staff compensation. Trustee Eck moved for approval of the exempt faculty and staff compensation budget. Seconded by Trustee Bishop. Motion approved unanimously.

C. HB14-1319 Update (Information)- Derek Wagner

Vice President Derek Wagner passed out a handout regarding the HB14-1319 Model. He talked through each page highlighting elements that were hot topics with the committees in creating the models. President Foster explained some of the conversations with other Presidents and next steps.

Recessed for lunch at 12:00pm. Reconvened at 1:25pm.

D. Marketing Update (Information)- Kim Williams

Postponed until January meeting.

E. Admissions Update (Information)- Michael Poll

Postponed until January meeting.

F. Sabbatical Reports (Information)- Carol Futhey

Dr. Barry Laga presented about his sabbatical.

Dr. Aparna Palmer presented about her sabbatical.

Dr. Phillip Gustafson presented about his sabbatical.

G. Well Being Working Group (Information)- John Marshall

Vice President John Marshall, student Ms. Cheyenne Paningsoro and Assistant Professor of Psychology, Dr. Jake Jones, presented information from the Well Being Working Group.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED

a. The Board of Trustees went into Executive Session for specified items consistent with Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402.

a) discuss personnel matters

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(b)(1) provides that governing boards of state institutions of higher education may, upon their own affirmative vote, hold executive sessions to consider the appointment or employment of a public official or employee or the dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of a public official or employee.

b) discuss naming of buildings or portion of a building

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(a)(VIII) provides that governing boards of state institutions of higher education may, upon their own, affirmative vote, hold executive sessions to discuss consideration of nominations for naming of buildings or portion of a building for a person or persons.

A motion was made by Trustee Bechtel to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters and to discuss naming of buildings or portion of a building, citing the above statutory authority for the motion. Motion seconded by Trustee Bishop. Motion passed unanimously.

Board of Trustees went into executive session at 2:49 pm. Reconvened at 3:16pm.

Motion made by Trustee Bishop to accept Bacon Family and Max and Helen Krey naming recommendation made by the Naming Committee. Seconded by Trustee Ringel. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Trustee Bishop to approve the Anne and Steve Meyer naming opportunity to change the University Center ballroom to "Meyer Ballroom". Motion seconded by Trustee Quimby. Trustee Bechtel abstained. Motion to rename the ballroom passed unanimously.

Trustee Quimby moved for the adoption of a 457F plan. Trustee Bishop seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn 3:22PM.

V. ADJOURN

INSERT INTO BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

Approval and Adoption of the Colorado Mesa University 457(f) Deferred Compensation Plan

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Colorado Mesa University (the “Board”) has been presented with the Colorado Mesa University 457(f) Deferred Compensation Plan (the “457(f) Plan”) for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the 457(f) Plan is to allow Timothy E. Foster to elect to defer receipt of some or all of his compensation and to receive allocations of employer contributions; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that it has the authority and that it is in the best interest of the University to establish the 457(f) Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the form, terms and provisions of the Colorado Mesa University 457(f) Deferred Compensation Plan be, and they hereby are, authorized, adopted and approved effective as of January 1, 2015 (the “Effective Date”), in substantially the form attached hereto as Attachment 1 with such changes as may be recommended by counsel; and further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and directed to execute the 457(f) Plan; and further

Designation of the Plan Administrator

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 457(f) Plan, the Board may appoint an individual or committee to serve in place of the Board as the Plan Administrator and has authority to delegate the rights, duties and obligations to administer the 457(f) Plan to such delegate; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes it to be in the best interest of the University to appoint the Executive Committee of the Board as the Plan Administrator of the 457(f) Plan with all of the applicable powers and duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, effective as of the Effective Date, the Executive Committee of the Board be and it hereby is, appointed as the Plan Administrator of the 457(f) Plan; and further

RESOLVED, that the Plan Administrator shall have all of the powers, duties, authorities and responsibilities as necessary to operate and administer the 457(f) Plan in accordance with its terms and applicable law.

Ratification and Approval of Prior Actions

RESOLVED, that all actions taken by the Board members and the officers, employees and agents of the University prior to the date hereof which are in furtherance of these resolutions are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

General Authorization

RESOLVED, that, in addition to the specific authorizations set forth in any of the foregoing resolutions, the officers of the University be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to take from time to time any and all such action and to execute and deliver from time to time any and all such agreements, instruments, requests, receipts, notes, applications, reports, certificates and other documents as may be necessary or advisable in their opinion, or in the opinion of any of them, to effectuate, consummate and comply with the purpose and intent of any of the foregoing resolutions.