

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
GALLEGOS BOARD ROOM
DOMINGUEZ HALL
COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
GRAND JUNCTION, CO
August 13, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER – 10:00AM

- A. Roll Call
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Approval of Minutes (Action) –May 19, 2015
 - 1. Trustee Robinson moved for the approval of the May 19, 2015 minutes. Trustee Marquez seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- D. Public Comments
 - 1. No one signed up for public comments.

II. REPORTS:

- A. Chair – Doug Quimby
 - a) Chairman Quimby gave an update as his first meeting as the Chair.
- B. President – Tim Foster
 - a) President Foster gave an overview of events that happened over the summer including a meeting at the CCHE retreat. He mentioned student numbers are up, move-in starts tomorrow, the Strategic Planning process has started and he will be making a future presentation at the upcoming El Pomar meeting.
- C. Treasurer – Bob Wilson
 - a) Trustee Wilson talked through some highlights of the dashboard and where the University is at.
- D. Faculty Trustee – Aparna Palmer
 - a) Faculty Trustee Palmer is excited to represent the faculty. She attended the new faculty events and touched on work that faculty does over the summer. She introduced Chad Middleton as the new Faculty Senate President. Trustee Price asked about the rental market in Grand Junction compared to Denver.
- E. ASG President – Selina Najar
 - a) President Najar said they are working on an awareness campaign of ASG. ASG is also spreading information on health and safety options on campus. The Montrose students have access to Golds Gym because of passes ASG gets.
 - b) Jake Carmin, Student Trustee, introduced himself and talk about his background.

III. POSSIBLE ACTION/DISCUSSION

- A. Consent Items (Action)
 - 1. Personnel
 - 2. Designate Open Meeting Posting
 - 3. Fees Assessed for Producing Records Pursuant to Open Records Requests

Trustee Robinson asked about some of the positions and what their role is. Trustee Bishop asked about the amount of turnover and Barbara Case-King said the numbers are typical. Trustee Price asked about if CMU does an exit interview and what the employee satisfaction numbers are. Barbara will follow up with him directly.

Trustee Bishop had a few questions about the open records requests. Chairman Quimby noted that he hopes CMU is very helpful in providing information for any CORA requests.

President Foster noted the phone number should be listed as the main phone line of the President's Office at 970-248-1498.

Trustee Bishop moved for the approval for the consent agenda as amended. Amendments include changing the phone number to 970-248-1498 under the records custodians; adding an "and" on page 3, part IC5, to read "to pay the full costs and remit ½ of the estimated fee"; and changing it from "Board" to "President" on page 1 where it says "we encourage the media and others to contact the President or the university media relations officer". Trustee Ringel seconded the motion. Motion to approve items on the consent agenda, as amended, approved unanimously.

B. Budget/Financials (Information)- Pat Doyle
1. Financial Summary/Dashboard

Pat Doyle presented the financial summary and gave an overview of the FY 2014-15 year. President Foster talked about how tuition shows up. Chairman Quimby asked Pat to touch on debt ratios. President Foster talked about needing another residence hall and finishing the Maverick Pavilion. The decision is whether to borrow to build them or use cash from the investments.

C. Academic Program Reviews- Mathematics (Information)- Carol Futhey

Dr. Carol Futhey introduced Lori Payne who gave an overview for the program review of Mathematics. Trustees asked about what is taught in some of the classes and if there is growth in mathematics.

D. Capital Construction Request, FY 2016-17 (Action)- Pat Doyle

Pat Doyle went through the Capital Construction request for FY 2016-17. Trustees discussed which portions to approve and which projects will wait for the state.

Trustee Bechtel moved to approve the request of State Capital Funds in the Capital Construction Request for FY 2016-17. Trustee Bishop seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustees discussed authorizing cash funded projects listed on page 28 to proceed and for the administration to do a plan on where the money would come from (fundraising, cash, borrow). Trustee Wilson discussed housing and the need for additional beds.

Trustee Bishop moved that they accept the CMU Kinesiology Expansion, Student Housing—Garfield III A, and Student Parking Structure. Trustee Robinson seconded.

Trustees talked with President Foster on borrowing and cash options. Motion to approve the cash funded projects passed unanimously.

E. Capital Projects Status Report (Information)- Kent Marsh

Kent Marsh went through a power point which updated the Trustees on all campus construction projects.

F. Academic Program Reviews- Visual Communications (Information)- Carol Futhey

Dr. Carol Futhey introduced John Sluder who gave an overview of the program review of Visual Communications. President Foster mentioned to John that he should just go buy the computers he needs.

G. Strategic Planning- (Information)- Carol Futhey

Dr. Carol Futhey passed out a draft overview of the Strategic Plan including supplemental documents for the Trustees to review. She highlighted some information and walked the Trustees through the documents.

H. Academic Program Reviews- Spanish (Information)- Carol Futhey

Dr. Carol Futhey introduced Barry Laga who gave an overview for the program review of Spanish.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED

Trustee Robinson moved that the Trustee go into Executive Session for the purpose of:

a) Discuss personnel matters

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(b)(I) 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 property acquisition opportunity

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(a)(I) provides that governing boards of state institutions of higher education may, upon their own affirmative vote, hold executive sessions to discuss the (purchase of property for public purposes) or (sale of property at competitive bidding), wherein premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive advantage or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.

Trustee Ringel seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously. The trustees went into executive sessions at 3:54pm. Reconvened at 4:34pm.

Trustee Ringel moved for the approval of the addendum of the 2014 agreement between President Foster and CMU specially related to the 457F plan and deferred compensation. Trustee Martinez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Trustees discussed authorizing President Foster to move forward with eminent domain action for 850 Elm Street and that he should consult with the Attorney General. Trustee Robinson said this is situation of someone trying to take advantage of public money. Trustee Quimby said they need to act with fiscal prudence.

Trustee Ringel moved that the Trustees authorize the President and administration to proceed with eminent domain action on 850 Elm Street after exhausting negotiations and after consulting with the Attorney General's office. Motion was seconded by Trustee Robinson. Motion passed unanimously.

V. ADJOURN AT 4:41PM.