

**TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY**  
**GRAND JUNCTION, CO**  
**May 24, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Quimby called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Trustee Bechtel, Bishop (via conference call), Brough, Martinez, Quimby, Reed, Ringel, Wilson, Faculty Trustee Palmer and Student Trustee Benoit were present. Trustee Eck joined the meeting via conference call at 9:15

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Faculty Trustee Palmer requested the April 28 minutes reflect changes to two sentences in the Faculty Trustee report as follows: 1)....spoke about **immigrant** student anxiety ~~and working with students~~. 2) .... the **importance of the** faculty tenure presentations and the **work that faculty do for the** student showcase.

Trustee Reed moved to accept the minutes with the suggested changes. Trustee Ringel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**REPORTS**

**Chair:** Trustee Quimby commented on the quality of the board and his pleasure in serving as chair. At the next meeting, new officers will be elected. He commented on this being the last meeting as trustees for Faculty Trustee Palmer and Student Trustee Benoit and acknowledged their dedicated service to CMU.

**President:** President Foster commented on the spring graduation events. He introduced Bryan Rooks and Kris Mort who will be sharing the position of Athletic Director. Mr. Rooks and Ms. Mort each spoke about their experience and the co-Athletic Director role. President Foster also introduced Jody Diers who will be overseeing the High School counselor program in collaboration with School District 51.

**Treasurer:** Trustee Wilson had no additional comments to the written report provided and reviewed by the Finance Committee. He mentioned that the Finance Committee had met with the auditors regarding the annual audit. An audit of PERA would be taking place at the same time as the annual audit.

**Student Trustee:** Trustee Benoit spoke about her experience graduating and participating as a trustee.

**Faculty Trustee:** Trustee Palmer introduced the 2017-19 Faculty Trustee, Chad Middleton. Dr. Middleton spoke about his background and experiences. Trustee Palmer spoke about teacher scholarship.

**Lobby Report:** Jake Zambrano, EIS Solutions, recapped the ending of the legislature. He mentioned the June 7 CDC meeting at which President Foster will present the lineman program to the committee.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Bishop moved to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Ringel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Quimby called for a short break at 10:15 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:27 a.m.

## **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

**Dashboard:** Vice President Laura Glatt presented the financial report as of March 31, 2017.

**Integrated Services:** Anna Nichols, Deputy Controller, presented a PowerPoint on Transforming the Student Experience-Integrating Services (IRIS – Integrated Resource Integrated Services).

**Associate of Applied Science degrees and certificates: Land Surveying:** Christine Murphy, Director of Instruction introduced Tom Sylvester Principal of Merritt LS, L.L.C. and Director of the Western Chapter of the Professional Land Surveyors of Colorado. Mr. Sylvester talked about the value of Land Surveying program.

Trustee Reed moved to approve the new Associates of Applied Science in Land Surveying and Technical Certificate in Land Surveying, Land Surveying and Geomatics for implementation in summer/fall 2017. Trustee Martinez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Handbook Changes:** Vice President Cynthia Pemberton introduced Jill Knuckles, Director of Human Resources who reviewed the suggested changes to the Professional Personnel Employment Handbook. Following discussion, additional changes (in red) were suggested:

Proposal 11/Lines# 297-304/Section III.K- Consistent with item J above, acting appointments are considered at-will even though the assignment is issued annually or for a specified period of duration.

Proposal 12/Page IV-4/Lines# 159-200/Section IV.I - 1. Professional Personnel who are benefits eligible as defined under Section IV, Group Insurance Plan

2. An eligible employee's eligible spouse and/or dependent is

Trustee Brough moved to accept the changes to the Professional Personnel Employment Handbook with the additional changes discussed. Trustee Bishop seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quimby called for a lunch break 12:10 p.m. the meeting reconvened at 1:32 pm

**Tenure Reports:** The following faculty approved for tenure at the January Board of Trustees meeting presented information on their work:

**Dr. Lisa Driskell**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics

**Dr. Sandie Nadelson**, Assistant Professor of Nursing  
**Dr. Kate Dreiling**, Assistant Professor of Criminology  
**Dr. Jake Jones**, Assistant Professor of Psychology  
**Dr. Nathan Perry**, Assistant Professor of Business  
**Dr. Vincent Patarino**, Assistant Professor of History

Chairman Quimby called for a short break at 3:15 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 3:21 p.m.

## **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION (CON'T)**

**Investment Policy** Vice President Glatt presented the Investment Policy as revised to comply with Colorado Revised Statutes.

Trustee Brough moved that in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes 23-53-103.6 Investment Policy – Fiduciary Responsibility, the Board of Trustees reaffirm its acknowledgment of its fiduciary responsibility with respect to oversight of the CMU Investment Policy. Trustee Ringel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Capital Project Update:** Kent Marsh, Director of Facilities, offered a PowerPoint presentation that reviewed the status of Capital Projects including recently completed, currently under construction and projects in the planning phase.

**Substantive Changes to Existing Programs:** Vice President Pemberton reviewed the new degree, certificate programs and changes to existing programs.

Trustee Bishop moved to approve the following:

Curriculum Restructuring: Bachelor of Business Administration Degrees: Re-designation of Concentration Electives to General Electives.

Program Name change:

BFA, Animation, Film and motion Design to BFA, Animation, Film, Photography and Motion Design and of BA

Early Childhood Education—Special Education changed to BA, Early Childhood Education—Early Childhood Special Education.

New Program Concentrations and Emphases:

Additional Concentration BS, Mathematics—Applied Mathematics

Additional Concentration AA, Liberal Arts, University Studies.

New Minor: Forensic Investigation – Criminal Justice.

Trustee Martinez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**The Financial Aid presentation** by Vice President John Marshall was postponed until the August meeting.

**2017-18 Annual Budget:** Vice President Glatt introduced the Budget Director Whitney Sutton. Trustee Ringel moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2017-18 operating and capital budget and supporting Tuition, Fees and Room and Board rates. Trustee Martinez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Montrose Strategic Planning Goals and Objectives:** Vice President Pemberton introduced Gary Radcliff, Director of the Montrose Campus who presented the strategic planning goals and objectives.

Trustee Wilson moved that the Trustees support the adoption of the CMU Montrose Strategic Planning Goals and Objectives 2020. Trustee Bechtel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Chairman Quimby adjourned the meeting at 4:10 pm

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