

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1100 North Ave, Grand Junction, CO
Dominguez Hall, Gallegos Board Room
March 11, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Griffin called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

In person: Chair Griffin, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Davis, Trustee Iwaniczko MacLeod, Trustee Ramos, Trustee Buck and Trustee Foster, Trustee Dukes, Trustee Reiff, Trustee Fry, Faculty Trustee Casey and Student Trustee Aaron Reed. Trustee Sanchez attended virtually.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Ramos moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 18th and 19th, 2022. Trustee Lentz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no public comments.

REPORTS

CHAIR: Chair Griffin welcomed everyone to campus and a happy March. She shared about attending the confirmation hearings of new Trustees and the excitement of all the work the board is doing and that is happening on campus. She shared an update related to Colorado Department of Higher Education and the Trustee Network. Chair Griffin also updated on progress of the 1330 taskforce and expressed appreciation to President Marshall for his work on the taskforce.

PRESIDENT: President Marshall began his report by introducing the Human Scale University Champion Award Resolution which was awarded to Dr. Johanna Varner for her contributions to the STEM fields as well as her ongoing work on campus. The board unanimously supported the resolution.

President Marshall shared about the many activities occurring on campus the rest of the spring 2022 semester and invited participation in events. Specifically highlighted was the upcoming Holocaust Awareness week featuring keynote Bari Weiss as well as E-Day and a number of other student related events such as the Luau, Rodeo and SpongeBob Musical. President Marshall updated on the budget process and also gave an update on key personnel searches.

FACULTY TRUSTEE: Dr. Tim Casey distributed and covered in detail the handout regarding faculty service work. He gave an update on the faculty academic cycle and shared up Early Alert updates being complete by faculty. He also shared updates on the Strategic Plan consultant search, the VPAA search, and expressed excitement among the faculty that spring break is coming up in the near future.

STUDENT TRUSTEE: Aaron Reed shared about the success of the CIC Fashion Show and invited the Trustees to attend MavAwards on April 23rd and the Luau on April 2nd. He gave an update on the Montrose executive that will be joining ASG as well as an update that the ASG annual elections have begun. He shared about the new freezer and refrigerator that are in the food pantry

and how that has assisted students with food security by providing access to healthy and nutritious meals.

Trustee Foster expressed profound appreciation for President Marshall's investment in the Holocaust Awareness event in collaboration with Jewish Colorado.

Trustee Dukes expressed appreciation for the work the students are doing to address food insecurity on campus.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Foster moved to accept the Consent Agenda. Trustee Ramos seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

DASHBOARD: Laura Glatt, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services, presented the Financial Dashboard dated February 2022.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Laura Glatt, Vice President of Finance and Administration presented the Treasurer's Report.

PROGRAM ADDITION:

Dr. Kurt Haas, Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Dr. Tim Pinnow, Senior Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, presented Academic Program Approval for Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT). It was recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Doctor of Physical Therapy program for implementation in the Fall of 2023. Trustee Foster moved to accept the recommendation. Trustee Lentz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Coach Miles Kochevar introduced himself and his coaching staff and expressed excitement to be at Colorado Mesa University and to take the field in the upcoming season.

OTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED

Chair Griffin moved that the Board go into executive session, pursuant to 24-6-402(3)(b)(I) and (3.5) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to a personnel matter. Trustee Foster seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The Trustees went into Executive Session at 12:00 p.m.

The Trustees reconvened in general session at 12:10 p.m.

Trustee Foster motioned that, WHEREAS the Board has determined that the proposed employment agreement is necessary for the retention of Miles Kochevar in light of prevailing market conditions and competitive employment practices in other states as required by § 24-19-104 (1.5), C.R.S.;

WHEREAS the institution does not have employment contracts with more than six government-supported officials or employees as required by § 24-19-104 (1.5), C.R.S.;

MOVED that the Board of Trustees for Colorado Mesa University approve the proposed terms of the employment agreement with Coach Miles Kochevar, and authorize the President and other appropriate administrators of the institution to sign the employment agreement.

Trustee Dukes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Griffin called for a lunch break at 12:15 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m. following a lunch presentation by Ms. Anneke Moresco, Program Director & Instructor of Veterinary Technology who presented on her work in the Vet Tech program and her recent travels abroad related to her work.

Faculty Tenure Presentations: Kurt Haas, Vice President of Academic Affairs, introduced the faculty presenting for tenure:

Dr. James Perez, Assistant Professor of Mass Communication
Dr. Freddy Witarsa, Assistant Professor of Environmental Science
Dr. Shiang-Lih Chen McCain, Assistant Professor of Business
Dr. Carlos Baldo, Assistant Professor of Business

Chair Griffin called for a short break at 2:30 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 2:39 p.m.

Tenure presentations resumed:

Dr. John Seebach, Assistant Professor of Archaeology
Dr. Gregory Baker, Associate Professor of Geology
Dr. Amy Bronson, Assistant Professor of Physician Assistant Studies

ADJOURN

With no additional business to come before the Board, Trustee Ramos motioned to adjourn and Trustee Lentz seconded. Motion passed unanimously and Chair Griffin adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.