

MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Session #793

A regular meeting of the Mt. Hood Community College District Board of Education was held on January 14, 2009, at 6:34 p.m. in the Board Room at 26000 SE Stark Street, Gresham, Oregon.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

- 1.1 Chair Duke Shepard called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Board members present: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; Duke Shepard; Dave Shields; and Ralph Yates. Absent: Rod Monroe.

Association representatives present at the public session: Gary DeRoest, faculty; Marilyn Pitts, part-time faculty; Jennie Burlingame classified; Jeff Forbis, confidential; Robert Cox, supervisory.

Board officers and other staff present: John J. "Ski" Sygielski, clerk of the Board; Mike Wolfe, deputy clerk of the Board; Sue Aschim; Gale Blessing; Brenda Brady; Susan Brady; Nicole Bragg; Ernie Cadman; Jennifer DeMent; Brandon Drawz; Charmagne Ehrenhaus; Larkin Franks; Matt Hart; Matt Hartner; June Jacobs; Eran Juenemann; Pam Kuretich; Jerry Lyons; Malcolm McCord; Sheri Mosher; Linda Neumann; Ted Scheinman; Wendy Schissel; Fred Schnell; Bruce Sehorn; Pam Shields; Nancy Szofran; Bob Watkins; and JoAnn Zahn.

Guest: Mike Popavich.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

M/ Brian Freeman to "approve the agenda." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

M/ Brian Freeman to "approve the consent agenda items A a-f as presented.

- a. Approval of minutes
- b. October financial report
- c. November financial report
- d. Resolution for acceptance/expenditure of projects funded in whole or part by non-district funds
- e. Consideration of resolution to transfer budgeted appropriations
- f. Consideration of academic calendar for 2009-10"

The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

3. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

- 3.1 The president introduced and congratulated the three Outstanding Support Staff award recipients for 2009: Eran Juenemann; Pam Kuretich; and Bruce Sehorn. Chair Shepard thanked all three on behalf of the Board. Each will receive a \$500 check from the MHCC Foundation.
- 3.2 The president introduced Fred Schnell, athletic director, who introduced Matt Hartner, coach of the women's volleyball team, and Matt Hart, coach of the men's and women's cross country teams. They introduced their respective teams and reviewed the season. Chair Shepard congratulated them and thanked them for attending the Board meeting.
- 3.3 Andrea Henderson, Executive Director of the Oregon Community College Association, presented her yearly update to the Board. She gave an update on the cut in support proposed for community colleges and OCCA's plan to communicate with legislators in order to try to obtain an increased amount over the Governor's proposal. Andrea also reported that the State of Oregon has run out of financial aid funding for the current school year, despite the fact that the financial aid budget was doubled for this year. Increases in applications far outweighed the projections. OCCA is working on increasing the Oregon Opportunity Grant for the year beginning July 1, 2009, and is also working on a deferred maintenance package to present to the legislature. The package will include projects that will be shovel ready by April 1. The OCCA Legislative Summit will be held in Salem January 27. Andrea expressed appreciation and thanks to Kim Freeman for her leadership in helping bring the program "Skills2Compete" to Oregon. Oregon is only the 4th state to launch the program, and it is thanks to Kim's leadership.
- 3.4 Mike Wolfe and Brandon Drawz gave an update on Aquatic Center finances stating that the business plan, which was developed in 2006, included a set of assumptions related to a base annual revenue stream of \$350,000. The plan described several areas that were intended to enhance revenues and allow for the capital investment to be paid back over a seven to eight year period. Expenses were estimated over that same period of time. The actual revenue and expenditures are different from what was estimated in 2006. As the College moves into the second full year of enhanced operation for the 50 meter pool, a revised reporting format will be developed to accurately track revenue and expenditures related to the operations of the MHCC Aquatic Center. The facility has performed remarkably and, as the second year of operation begins, it is known that the dome can withstand Columbia River Gorge high winds, hail storms and record snowfall. The MHCC Aquatic Center is nationally recognized as a premier facility and is continuing to attract the highest level of competitive meets. The success of the Aquatic Center would not have been possible without the dedication and professionalism of College staff.

Chair Shepard appointed Brian Freeman and Ralph Yates to work with administration in revising the reporting format and gathering information for

the Board. The Chair praised Brandon Drawz for the high profile he is generating for the College locally and nationally.

- 3.5 The president reported on: personnel issues, introducing Ernie Cadman, interim vice president for student success and enrollment management; the Ford Asset program; National Governor's Association; Board retreat; MHCC custodians and maintenance professionals; employees who helped register almost 1,000 students Jan. 2-3; part-time faculty and tutor's association 2009 steering committee; accreditation; enrollment; and strategic planning.

4. BUSINESS

- 4.1 The president recommended the board approve the revised faculty contract, which was ratified by faculty January 12. He thanked the negotiating teams for both faculty and administration for their hard work and willingness to learn from each other. Beverly Russell and Dave Shields recused themselves from the discussion and the vote due to a conflict of interest since both are related to faculty members.

M/ Ralph Yates to "approve the faculty contract as presented." The motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the four members present and able to vote: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Duke Shepard; and Ralph Yates. Reservations were expressed by two Board members due to the present economy and what the College might face in the years ahead due to the declining amount of money from the State. Appreciation was expressed to the president, administrative team and faculty for the collegiality and positive steps taken during the last few months of negotiation. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

- 4.2 Mike Wolfe and Sue Aschim presented a recommendation to issue a request for proposal (RFP) for a copier equipment contract. The resulting contract will fulfill the Graphic Services Strategic Plan Vision: "The copier fleet is fully networked offering scan, print and fax capabilities to every MHCC staff member less expensively than the present system." The RFP proposal and processes will be developed in collaboration with Computer Support Services and the Business Office.

M/ Ralph Yates "to approve issuing a request for proposal for a copier equipment contract as presented." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

5. PUBLIC INPUT

Gary DeRoest presented a statement from the faculty association, which is included as part of the official minutes.

6. CLOSING REMARKS AND AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Bob Morris reported on the OCCA Convention. Dave Shields reported on the OCCA Legislative Summit and the weekly legislative conference call initiated by OCCA every Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. He also attended an apprenticeship meeting for the president. Beverly Russell reported on the Foundation Auction coming up on April 18 and the By-Laws revision. Duke Shepard requested Dave Shields and Bob Morris meet with the Early Childhood Center Steering Committee to gather information for the Board on the ECC project.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Deputy Clerk

Board Chair

Recorded by June Jacobs