

MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Session #780

A meeting of the Mt. Hood Community College District Board of Education was held on February 13, 2008 beginning at 5:37 p.m. with a joint Board of Education and Head Start Policy Council dinner, regular session at 6:39 p.m. in the Board Room and executive session at 7:45 p.m. in the president's office at 26000 SE Stark Street, Gresham, Oregon.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

- 1.1 Board member Ralph Yates called the dinner meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Board members present: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; Dave Shields; and Ralph Yates. Duke Shepard entered the meeting at 5:41 p.m. Absent: Rod Monroe.
- 1.2 Staff present at the dinner meeting: Susan Brady; June Jacobs; Gary Murph; Jean Wagner; Mike Wolfe.
- 1.3 Guests present at the dinner meeting: Sandra Lemus, Chair of the Head Start Policy Council; Kim Dunn; and Iris Moraila.
- 1.4 Following introductions, Sandra Lemus began the discussion by updating the Board on recent activities. The program just expanded by 95 children, and they are hoping to add more children soon through a second round of State expansion. Space is a problem, and they are exploring collaboration with district superintendents and other agencies for creative ways of using space and also serving new populations. Sandra commented that no matter how many children are added, the waiting list does not diminish. She spoke about the needs of Head Start families and the problems faced by many when they try to take classes. Kim Dunn suggested the college have people talk to Head Start families about the different programs available at the college, i.e., the Transitions program. Working through the financial aid system is also hard for Head Start parents. Head Start has been associated with the college about 34 years. Susan Brady will prepare a Strategic Plan incorporating some of the suggestions made at the dinner meeting. The group will meet again in a couple of months.

Chair Shepard recessed the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

- 2.1 Chair Shepard reconvened the meeting. Board members present at the regular session: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; Duke Shepard; Dave Shields; and Ralph Yates. Absent: Rod Monroe.
- 2.2 Association representatives present at the public session: Robert Cox, Supervisors; Gary DeRoest, faculty; and Marilyn Pitts, part-time faculty & tutors.
- 2.3 Board officers and other staff present at the public session: Gary Murph, clerk of the Board; Mike Wolfe, deputy clerk of the board; Gale Blessing; Brenda Brady; Joyce Coleman; Paul Hill; June Jacobs; Phil Johanson; Donna Larson; Kris Pearson; Beth Pitonzo; Wendy Schissel; Al Sigala; Nancy Szofran; and Ellen White.
- 2.4 Guests present at the public session: Pam Fisher; Peter Mersereau; Mike Porter and Joan Porter.
- 2.5 The agenda was accepted as presented.
- 2.6 The consent agenda was presented and approved as follows:

M/ Ralph Yates to “approve the consent agenda items a-d as presented.

- a. Minutes
- b. Financial report
- c. Sabbatical requests*
- d. Approval to contract to re-roof the Main Academic Center”

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

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Name	Division	Term
Ted Scheinman	Social Science/ Math/Engineering	Fall 2008
Chris Jackson	Social Science/ Math/Engineering	Spring 2009
Joan DeYoung	Science	Fall/Winter/Spring
Jack Fassel	Business Info. Systems & Health	Fall 2008
Paul Eckhardt	Humanities	Fall/Winter
Mary Girsch	Humanities	Winter/Spring
Jonathan Morrow	Humanities	Fall/Winter
Sue Byers	Adult & HS Community Learning Program	Winter 2009
Dave Favreault	Social Science/ Math/Engineering	Fall/Winter

3. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

3.1 The regular meeting began with a presentation on the 2006-07 achievements of the MHCC Foundation by Mike Porter, President. The Foundation had a successful year raising funds to support scholarship and purchase equipment for the college. The Foundation provided over \$122,000 in scholarships and \$120,000 in equipment and projects this past year (\$80,000 toward campus programs and projects and \$40,000 toward the smart rooms). The Foundation's assets are currently \$3.6 million. He encouraged contributions to any of the Foundation's scholarships and endowments and mentioned the Ron Russell Memorial Endowed Scholarship, which was created in June 2006 in honor of the former MHCCD Board of Education member. Contributions to this and other scholarships may be made through the Foundation. The annual Foundation Auction Dinner was very successful last year; this year's auction will be April 19. The Golf Tournament location will be changed to Stone Creek Golf Course in Oregon City. The Foundation held a new event for retirees from the college recently, and Mike confirmed there will be an 11th annual Rock Around the Block in downtown Gresham on August 9.

3.2 Gary Murph reported on enrollment; state revenue forecast; budget and possible tuition increase; and introduced the new Dean of Adult and High School Community Learning Programs, Joyce Coleman.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

5. BUSINESS

5.1 Discussion was held on issuance of full faith & credit obligations in the amount of \$5.5 million for construction of the Child Development Center and replacement of the roof on the Main Academic Center. Board member Shields suggested delaying the vote for one month to allow more discussion. Other board members did not see what more could be learned in a month that is not now known and any delay would see an increase in total costs of the projects.

M/ Brian Freeman, "to table the decision for one month." The motion was seconded and failed to pass on a 3-3 tie. For: Brian Freeman; Duke Shepard; and Dave Shields. Against: Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; and Ralph Yates.

M/ Ralph Yates, "to approve issuance of full faith & credit obligations in the amount of \$5.5m for construction of the Child Development Center and replacement of the roof on the Main Academic Center."

The motion was seconded and passed with a 5-1 vote. For: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; Duke Shepard; and Ralph Yates. Against: Dave Shields. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

6. CLOSING REMARKS AND AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Dave Shields requested a draft of the complete budget one week prior to the April 16 budget meeting. Brian Freeman said the OCCA is asking local boards to discuss and send feedback to them on the 40-40-20 plan. He requested this be on a future agenda for a 30-minute discussion. Brian also asked about the 2009 legislature's request for projects to be funded with matching capital grants. This will be discussed at a future meeting. Ralph Yates complimented Chair Shepard and the Search Committee on the search process and the great group of finalists. Chair Shepard welcomed the student camera operators who filmed the board meeting. He then recessed the meeting to executive session at 7:35 p.m.

7. RECONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Shepard reconvened to executive session at 7:45 p.m. in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed, ORS 192.660 (2) (d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations and ORS

192.660 (2) (a) to consider employment of a public officer, employee, staff members or individual agent - Duke Shepard.

Board members present at executive session: Brian Freeman; Bob Morris; Beverly Russell; Duke Shepard; Dave Shields; and Ralph Yates. Absent: Rod Monroe.

Staff present: Gale Blessing; June Jacobs; and Gary Murph. Paul Hill and Mike Wolfe were present during discussions of ORS 192.660 (2) (h) and ORS 192.660 (2) (d).

Guest present: Peter Mersereau during discussion of ORS 192.660 (2) (h); and Pam Fisher during discussion of ORS 192.660 (2) (a).

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Clerk

Board Chairman

Recorded by June Jacobs