

MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Session #792

A regular meeting of the Mt. Hood Community College District Board of Education was held on November 12, 2008 at 6:00 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 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Brian Freeman; Rod Monroe; Bob Morris; Bev Russell; Duke Shepard; Dave Shields; and Ralph Yates.
- 1.2 Association representatives present at the public session: Janine Johnston, ASG; Jenny Burlinghame, classified; Jeff Forbis, confidential; Gary DeRoest, faculty; and Marilyn Pitts, part-time faculty.
- 1.3 Board officers and other staff present at the public session: John J. "Ski" Sygielski, clerk of the Board (by phone); Mike Wolfe, deputy clerk of the Board; Brie Aliabadi; Nicki Belnap; Gale Blessing; Tambi Boyle; Dick Byers; Larkin Franks; Paul Hill; June Jacobs; Malcolm McCord; Mike Russell; Nancy Szofran; Ellen White; Leslie Yates; and JoAnn Zahn.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

- 2.1 M/ Brian Freeman "to approve the agenda as presented." The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
- 2.2 M/ Brian Freeman "to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - Minutes
 - Financial report"

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

3. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

- 3.1 The meeting began with a presentation by Dean Wendy Schissel on Distance Learning. Dean Schissel introduced Cat Vogt, Program Coordinator, Jeff Rouyer, Instructional Systems Designer, Jeff Sperley, WebCT Technician, and Stephanie Williams, Office Assistant, who are all part of the Distance Learning Team. She

also introduced Michael Russell, the Faculty Liaison. Distance Learning (DL) became an entity in its own right at MHCC in 1998. MHCC has long led the way in the state in training instructors to teach online through its Faculty Academy. Since 2002, 85 full and part-time instructors have completed the Academy. Dean Schissel reviewed Distance Learning successes, current initiatives and future plans.

- 3.2 The president reported on: personnel items; Javid Mohtasham's trip to China; faculty learning communities; natural resources advisory meeting at the World Forestry Center; Gresham economic summit; forensics; Genesis; MHCC athletic teams; state budget reductions; presentation at Parkrose School Board; strategic planning; and visits with legislators.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Statements were read by Leslie Yates, representing the Classified Association, and Brie Aliabadi, representing the Faculty Association, thanking the Board for their selection of Dr. Ski as President and for the new management bargaining team under Dr. Ski's leadership. Both groups look forward to a settled contract and to working with Dr. Ski and the Board to make MHCC "the flagship community college of Oregon."

5. BUSINESS

- 5.1 The College's current contract for food services with Chartwells expires July 31, 2009. The Board discussed issuing a Request for Proposal at this time in order to have enough time to develop an RFP and conduct a thorough evaluation and selection process.

M / Ralph Yates "to approve issuing a Request for Proposal to solicit responses from vendors interested in providing food services on the Gresham campus."

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

- 5.2 The Board discussed issuing a Request for Qualifications in order to pre-qualify a list of firms to be "on-call" to provide a variety of limited architectural and engineering related services to the College as needed to support ongoing operations, as well as deferred maintenance projects. There will be no promise or contractual obligation for work but only a list of pre-qualified service providers established.

M / Brian Freeman "to approve issuing a Request for Qualifications." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

5.3 Following issuance of a Request for Proposal for Construction Manager / General Contractor (CM/GC) for the Early Childhood Center last August, six firms responded with responsive proposals and were moved forward to the evaluation team for technical scoring. Three firms were selected for interviews based on their technical scores. Walsh Construction earned the highest score and with the lowest bid was selected as the "best value" proposer.

M / Ralph Yates "to approve the selection of Walsh Construction as Construction Manager / General Contractor (CM/GC) for the Early Childhood Center." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Supporting documentation is part of the official minutes.

6. CLOSING REMARKS AND AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Ralph Yates reported on the continuing possibility of the MHCC Aquatic Center hosting the Olympic Trials in 2012. Brian Freeman reported on the OCCA Convention, which he, Dave Shields and Bob Morris attended. He would like Board members to provide ideas on how OCCA can more effectively be utilized and how the MHCC Board can be more proactive with OCCA. He will formulate a proposal to present to OCCA from the MHCC Board. Beverly Russell reported on the MHCC Foundation. Dave Shields reported on the November 18 OSBA legislative reception. Rod Monroe updated the Board on election results of measures affecting community colleges and the poor economic forecast.

7. ADJOURNMENT

M/ Brian Freeman "to adjourn the meeting." The motion was seconded and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Clerk

Board Chair

Recorded by June Jacobs