



**Gila County Community College District
Governing Board Special Meeting
Gila Pueblo Campus
January 17, 2013
APPROVED**

A Special Session of the Gila County Community College District Governing Board was held via ITV on January 17, 2013 in Room 522 at the Gila Pueblo Campus and Room 209 at Payson Campus, Gila Community College, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(B), notice having been duly given.

Governing Board Members Present:

Dr. Larry Stephenson, President
Robert Ashford, Member
Armida Bittner, Member
Tom Loeffler, Member
Samuel I. Moorhead, Member

Staff Present:

B. Stephen Cullen, Senior Dean, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator-IT Gila County, Susan Gallo, Fiscal Officer, L.Q. Harris III, , and Pam Moore, Recording Secretary.

Other Guests:

Bryan Chambers Gila County Attorney's office, Jerry McCreary, Pinal Mountain Foundation for Higher Education, Michele Nelson, Payson Roundup, Mike Pastor, Gila County Board of Supervisors and. Michael Percy, Grand Canyon University.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge and Acknowledge Guests

President Stephenson called the meeting to order at 2:33 pm, acknowledged the roll call by Pam Moore, and welcomed the guests. Sam Moorhead led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Call to the Public

There was no response

3. Reports

A. President's Report/Information

President Stephenson welcomed Sam Moorhead to the Governing Board. He reported the Arizona Community College President's Council is at this time reorganizing into a 501C3 and become an Arizona Community College Coordinating Council. They intend to hire an Executive Director who would function as a Lobbyist. The Arizona Association of District Governing Boards would grant community colleges some sort of membership. He will continue to follow up. Discussion followed.

B. Gila Community College District Report/Information

Dean Cullen added to his report by thanking Member Moorhead for his time spent with Representative Pratt, T.J. Shope and himself. The future of the College was discussed. He also added that the Payson Foundation for Higher Education along with Payson Parks and Recreation will sponsor their first major fund raiser by hosting the Harlem Globe Trotters on April 30th at Payson High School. This academic year the Pinal Mountain Foundation for Higher Education has awarded \$19,800 in scholarships to adult learners at this campus and the San Carlos Campus. Discussion followed. (Report attached and made part of the official minutes.)

Member Loeffler requested an update on the No Smoking Signs and the extension of sidewalk at Payson Campus parking lot. Senior Dean Cullen stated that the parking lot project must be handled by the County and the No

Smoking signs have been implemented. The Board will need to consider ramifications of students caught using tobacco. President asked for questions; there were none.

C. Financial Report/Information

President thanked Susan Gallo for putting the month by month report together. President asked for questions and discussion followed regarding line items and the proposed budget. (Financial Report attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

4. 2013 Election of Officers and Meeting Calendar

A. Election of Governing Board Officers for 2013/Information/Discussion/Action

President Stephenson entertained a motion for nomination for the office of President.

Motion 01172013 #1

Member Loeffler moved to accept nominations for the office of President for the 2013-14 year.

Nominations for President were Robert Ashford and Dr. Stephenson.

President Stephenson called for additional nominations; there were none. Nomination process closed; vote taken.

President Stephenson announced that Larry Stephenson was reelected President for the 2013 calendar year.

President Stephenson entertained a motion for nomination for the office of Secretary for the 2013-14 year.

Nominations for Secretary were Tom Loeffler and Sam Moorhead.

President Stephenson called for additional nominations; there were none. Nomination process closed; vote taken.

President Stephenson announced that Sam Moorhead would be the Secretary.

Officers are established for the 2013 calendar year.

B. Establish Board Meeting Calendar for 2013/Information/Discussion/Action

President Stephenson stated that he would like to stay with the third Thursday of the month at 2:30 pm. Discussion followed. The March date would be March 14 (the second Thursday of the month) to work around Spring Break.

President called for a motion to stay with the third Thursday of the month with the exception of the March meeting.

Motion 01172013 #2

Member Loeffler moved to revise the meeting calendar to reflect March 14 as opposed to the week of March 17th.

Secretary Bittner seconded the motion.

President Stephenson called for discussion; there was none. Motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business

C. Grand Canyon University Educational Alliance Partnership/Information/Discussion/

Michael Percy addressed the Board and outlined the proposal of taking 10% off of tuition for every employee of Gila CC and also for the students. He asked that there be a link on the GCC website that states we are working in partnership with each other. Questions were asked and discussion followed. Bryan Chambers stated that there could be no action taken today. President Stephenson asked that this item be tabled until next meeting.

5. Old Business

A. Consideration for Revised Tuition Schedule/Information/Discussion/Action

Member Loeffler provided a PowerPoint presentation with discussion on Funding Sources; Property Taxes which is at 65%, Student Tuition at 28% and State Appropriations at 7%. He provided additional information on restructuring tuition including equalizing credit cost per student and increasing senior tuition; discussion followed. President Stephenson stated that this item would be revisited at the February meeting.

B. Status of Solar Power Project/Information/Discussion/Action

Senior Dean Cullen provided information (along with a PowerPoint presentation) regarding keeping the incentives; discussion between Folium and SunRenu, no price increase is expected and groundbreaking should take place in February. Senior Dean Cullen called upon Supervisor Mike Pastor to help expedite the County permits that are needed. The project should be completed at both campuses sometime in May. (Copy of PowerPoint presentation attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

C. Update on Joint Work Session with Santa Cruz CC District/Information/Discussion/Action

Senior Dean Cullen met with representatives from Santa Cruz and Cochise CC. Issues discussed were capital funding for Work Force Development and FTSE reimbursement from State at the same rate as the contracting partner. More discussion followed and they would like an additional work session in the future.

6. A. Board Training/Information/Discussion/Action

Senior Dean Cullen asked that current members and administration along with new Board member do an abbreviated Board training with Mr. Chambers if possible. Dean Cullen will work with Mr. Chambers to set a date.

B. Work Session for Board/Information/Discussion/Action

President Stephenson stated he would like the time for the Board to discuss at length items they will be facing. Senior Dean Cullen will work with the Board members to get a date and location.

D. Lobbying Services for GCCD for 2013/Information/Discussion/Action

President Stephenson stated that there are three proposals (proposals are part of the packet) and asked for comments on the proposals. Member Ashford, President Stephenson, Member Loeffler and Member Bittner provided information and comments on the proposals and discussion followed.

Motion 01172013 #3

Member Loeffler moved to accept the proposal from Barnes and Associates for the lobbying efforts for the upcoming year. President Stephenson seconded the motion and asked for discussion. Supervisor Pastor asked to address the Board regarding the three proposals. President allowed it under the Call to the Public. Supervisor Pastor questioned the fact that there were no representatives from these proposals in attendance and felt the Board should table the item until a future meeting with representatives. Mr. Chambers provided additional information. Lengthy discussion followed. President called for vote on motion; motion failed.

Motion 01172013 #4

Member Ashford moved to approve the TriAdvocate proposal in order to have coverage until presentations were made to the Board. Member Bittner seconded the motion. President called for discussion; discussion followed. Vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

E. Elimination of Remaining Furlough Day/Information/Discussion/Action

Member Loeffler stated that he would like to reward the employees for their efforts and patience by eliminating the last furlough day as soon as possible. President Stephenson entertained a motion to recommend to EAC that the furlough be eliminated.

Motion 01172013 #5

Secretary Moorhead moved to recommend to EAC the elimination of the remaining furlough day. Member Loeffler seconded the motion. President asked for discussion. Member Ashford questioned if the motion should include that the employees be brought up to date with the raises they have missed. President Stephenson felt that this should be a separate item for a later date. More discussion followed. President called for vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 01172013 #6

Member Loeffler moved to have the GCC Board President forward a letter to the President of the EAC Board requesting that the remaining furlough day of the EAC employees who are headquartered at GCC be eliminated. Sam Moorhead seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion passed unanimously.

7. Consent Agenda**A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting November 15, 2012/Discussion/Action**

Member Loeffler Moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2012. Member Ashford seconded the motion. Vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

8. Items for Consideration for next meeting/Discussion

- Policy 3010.03
- Policy regarding Conflict of Interest

Senior Dean Cullen asked permission for Jerry McCreary to address the Board; President allowed under the Call to the Public.

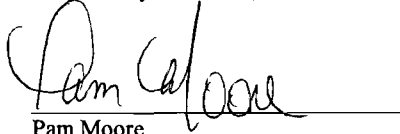
Jerry McCreary addressed the Board regarding the scholarships awarded in December by the Pinal Mountain Foundation for Higher Education. He stated that \$7,300 in direct scholarships and \$800 in reimbursements were awarded. There were 16 awards to 11 students.

9. Adjournment

Member Ashford moved to adjourn. Member Loeffler seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

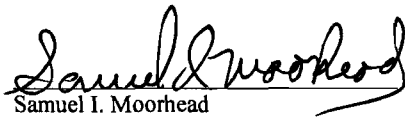
Meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Pam Moore
Recording Secretary

Attest:



Samuel I. Moorhead
Secretary