



**Gila County Community College District  
Governing Board Work Session Meeting  
Gila Pueblo Campus  
October 1, 2015  
\*\*APPROVED\*\***

A Work Session Meeting of the Gila County Community College District Governing Board was held via ITV on October 1, 2015 in Room 522 at the Gila Pueblo Campus and Room 402 at Payson Campus, Gila Community College, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(B), notice having been duly given.

**Governing Board Members Present:**

Samuel I. Moorhead, President  
Jan Brocker, Member  
Jerry McCreary, Member  
Jay Spehar, Member  
John Zilisch, Secretary

**Governing Board Members Absent:**

N/A

**Staff Present:**

B. Stephen Cullen, Senior Dean, Pat Burke, GPC and SC Dean, Pam Butterfield, Payson Dean, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator IT Gila County, Jefferson Dalton, Gila County Attorney's Office, Susan Gallo, Fiscal Coordinator, Steve Giles, IT Support, L.Q.Harris, Software Support Specialist, and Lisa Nye, Administrative Assistant.

**OTHER GUESTS:** Lois Moody, EAC Governing Board Chair, Laurie Pennington, EAC Governing Board Secretary and Mike Pastor, Gila County Supervisor

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

President Moorhead called the Work Session to order at 9:03 a.m. and he acknowledged that all members of the Board were present. Member McCreary led the Pledge.

**2. New Business**

**A. New Modular for Globe Campus/Information/Discussion**

Senior Dean Cullen informed the Board that he was notified by Globe Unified School District that we were to vacate a classroom at the Wellness Center by the end of the year. A modular unit to be used for the exercise classes has been purchased for \$4,500. The market price for similar unit is \$75,000 to \$100,000. Transport and site prep will cost approximately \$50,000. Supervisor Pastor informed the Board that the County purchased a similar modular and he is hoping to work with the College to save both the County and College money on transporting both units about the same time. The classrooms housing exercise equipment will remain at the Wellness Center, however, Dean Cullen stated that we should be thinking ahead. The modular will be located adjacent to the Cosmetology building. Questions were asked and discussion followed.

**3. Standing Business**

**A. Legislative Day/Information/Discussion**

President Moorhead stated that the rescheduled date for Legislative Day is November 4<sup>th</sup>. He is in the process of signing the invitation.

**B. Update on Accreditation Strategy/Information/Discussion**

Member Jerry McCreary informed the Board that the committee met and discussed some of the strategy and he requested that Member Brocker talk with the Higher Learning Commission. Member Brocker reported that she spoke by phone with the Higher Learning Commission but the call was brief due to a power outage. She did get to explain that we have a unique situation in trying to meet the positions criteria since all employees are EAC employees. She will speak with the HLC again on Friday. Member McCreary asked if there were any questions and there were none.

**C. Update on the Enrollment Strategy/Information/Discussion**

Member Brocker provided a brief overview of the August 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. Accreditation issues were discussed as well as the enrollment figures in regard to the 55 and over population and the substantial growth in that area. Committee is looking at several different options to increase revenue. Dean Butterfield and Member Brocker met with a representative from Payson Unified School District and a private foundation and stated that the meetings were very positive. Dean Burke updated the committee on the Globe Prison project. An October meeting will be scheduled.

**D. Update on the Legislative Strategy/Information/Discussion**

Member Spehar stated that over the past month TriAdvocates was asked to meet with each Board member and discuss the Legislative issues that were challenging the College. This meeting also provided an opportunity for Board members to meet the lobbyists who are representing the College in Legislative sessions. Member Spehar mentioned the tax dollar savings that the Provisional status carries. Secretary Zilisch stated that he found Mike Gardner to be exceptionally well informed on where we stand and thinks the Board made a good decision in hiring TriAdvocates.

Senior Dean Cullen announced the arrival of Ms. Lois Moody EAC Governing Board Chair Person and Laurie Pennington EAC Board Secretary.

**E. Update on the Communications Strategy/Information/Discussion**

Secretary Zilisch stated that at the last meeting it was determined that action could not be taken until the results of the survey were in. Dean Butterfield and Trena Grantham are compiling those results. Another meeting will be scheduled as soon as the results are in. He also reported that during the two months of meetings, the PR communications to do list has been cut in half. Senior Dean Cullen provided information on how the Deans work with the Communications Strategy.

**F. Update on the Partnership Strategy/Information/Discussion**

Member Spehar asked Senior Dean Cullen to provide information. Senior Dean informed that he attended a meeting in Miami called Building Healthy Communities. He stated that it was clear that the attendees view the College as a very critical part of the County both north and south and that resources need to be pooled. He stated that he is working with a DOC grant writer and attended a grant writing workshop and came away with key points. Secretary Zilisch is reviewing the partner list with Dean Butterfield.

**G. Update on Funding Strategy/Information/Discussion**

President Moorhead informed that the committee did not meet.

Member McCreary stated that Item 3 A through G have been a very successful process under the direction of Member Spehar. In turn Member Spehar thanked Member Brocker for bringing a lot of value to the process.

Member Brocker stated that when she met with Mike Gardner there was discussion about inviting local officials to a meeting with the committee on Provisional Status. She asked for clarification as to which committee was to be invited. Member Spehar stated that he would contact Mr. Gardner to clarify.

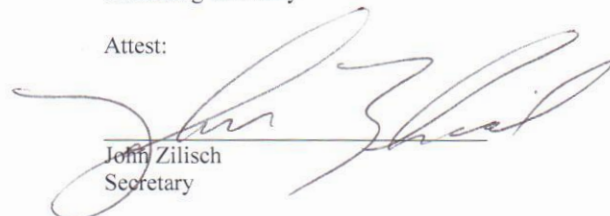
**4. Adjournment/Action**

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Lisa Nye  
Recording Secretary

Attest:

  
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Joff Zilisch  
Secretary