



**Gila County Community College District
Governing Board Work Session Meeting
Gila Pueblo Campus
August 6, 2015
** APPROVED****

A Work Session Meeting of the Gila County Community College District Governing Board was held via ITV on August 6, 2015 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:

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

Governing Board Members Absent:

N/A

Staff Present:

Dean Burke, GPC and SC Dean, B. Stephen Cullen, Senior Dean, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator IT Gila County, Bryan Chambers, Gila County Attorney's Office, Susan Gallo, Fiscal Coordinator, Trena Grantham, PR Coordinator, L.Q.Harris, Software Support Specialist, and Lisa Nye, Administrative Assistant.

OTHER GUESTS: Jefferson Dalton, successor to Bryan Chambers

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

President Moorhead called the Work Session to order at 9:08 a.m. President Moorhead led the Pledge and he acknowledged that all members of the Board were present. Secretary Zilisch attended via the phone.

2. New Business

A. Account options for General Funds at Bank of the West/Information/Discussion

Susan Gallo informed the Board that she met with John Colson of Bank of the West. She recommended the Money Market savings account for our public funds. The interest rate would be .14%. Questions were asked regarding withdrawals and credit cards and discussion followed.

B. Study Committee on Community College Finance and Expenditure Limits/Information/Discussion

President Moorhead asked for suggestions. Member Spehar suggested that the committee prepare a draft statement to be brought to the Board for review before submitting to the Legislative Committee. Questions were asked and discussion followed. Member Zilisch asked to be excused for 5 minutes. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

C. Letters of Invitation for Legislative Day at Globe and Payson Campuses/Information/Discussion

President Moorhead informed the Board that he had prepared a couple of draft invitation letters for review. These would be sent to elected officials. Member Spehar suggested a list be compiled, a proper name for the day and dates be set. Much discussion followed. (Copies attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

D. House Ad Hoc Committee on Provisional Community Colleges/Information/Discussion

President Moorhead stated that he had accepted the appointment to serve on the House Ad Hoc Committee on Provisional Community Colleges. Member Spehar suggested that the Legislative Committee prepare a draft statement to present to the Board for review, revision and approval. This statement would be a consensus of this Board for President Moorhead to present to the Ad Hoc Committee. Discussion followed. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

3. Standing Business**A. Update on Smartlink/Information/Discussion**

Senior Dean Cullen informed the Board that Counsel Chambers reviewed the final draft of the contract that was received. There are two issues that require clarification and he will meet with Counsel after the meeting to discuss. Senior Dean then congratulated Bryan Chambers on his appointment to a Judgeship.

B. Process to Finalize Decision of New Lobbying Firm/Information/Discussion

Member Spehar informed that the Legislative Committee has identified a process for evaluation of the responses to the Request for Proposal that was approved by the Board at the last meeting. He and Secretary Zilisch have evaluated the proposals and are ready to make a recommendation. An additional proposal was received and evaluated. The recommendation is TriAdvocates as our lobbying firm. Additional information was provided and discussion followed.

C. Update on Accreditation Strategy/Information/Discussion

Member McCreary stated that he did not have a current update as he was unable to meet with his committee. He did stress the importance of the issue and will be meeting with the committee next month.

D. Update on the Enrollment Strategy/Information/Discussion

Member Brocker stated that the committee has not met since the last Board meeting. She did ask Member McCreary to set the Accreditation Committee date and she would schedule around that.

E. Update on the Legislative Strategy/Information/Discussion

Member Spehar recapped that the Legislative Committee prepare two draft statements as discussed earlier to present at the next Board meeting.

F. Update on the Communications Strategy/Information/Discussion

Secretary Zilisch provided additional information along with a copy of the Report of the Communications Subcommittee Work Session included in the packet. He attended the Book Fair held at the Payson Campus and stated it was an incredibly successful event. Both vendors and authors were pleased with the success of the event. He attended the Communications Meeting and was impressed with all that is going on. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

G. Update on the Partnering Strategy/Information/Discussion

Member Spehar informed that the committee met and reviewed the existing partner list and discussed the need to develop a method for accessing opportunity with those partners and potential future partners. As a tool for accessing future partnerships Dr. Cullen prepared a survey that will be going out to those partners who are targeted for reciprocal relationships.

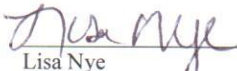
H. Update on Funding Strategy/Information/Discussion

President Moorhead stated that the committee met and Dean Burke kept minutes and they are available on demand. He informed that there are three funds which are State Aid from the Legislature which appears to be grim in regard to continuing, tuition and property tax. The property tax levy has been raised and there is a minor adjustment to the tuition.

4. Adjournment/Action**Motion 08062015#1**

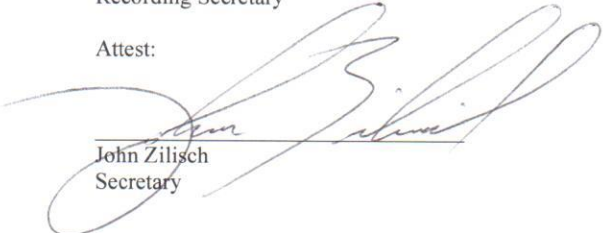
Member Spehar moved to adjourn. Member McCreary seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion passed unanimously. President Moorhead adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m. After a recess the Regular Session will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Nye
Recording Secretary

Attest:



John Zilisch
Secretary