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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE
November 10, 2021, 3:30 p.m.

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Chair McClure called the study session to order at 3:31pm. Trustees present were Chair McClure, Trustee Cus Arteaga and Trustee Patrick Baldoz. Trustee Sara Cate and Trustee Bertha Ortega were absent (excused).

A. Clery Report

Mr. Michael Lane, Security Supervisor, presented an overview of the history of the Clery Act and explained YVC's obligation to make timely warning to the campus community about crimes that pose a threat to students and employees. A copy of YVC's annual security report was provided to the board electronically. A complete copy of the report can be found at <https://www.yvcc.edu/Annual-Security-Fire-Report.pdf>

B. Sabbatical Presentation

Ms. Eva Cunningham, Reference Librarian, shared her experiences from her sabbatical. Eva shared that it was important for her to get more teaching resources on Canvas for students. During her sabbatical she was able to get training in SoftChalk and Springshare to make her research workshop from a 2-dimensional drawing to an interactive online lesson. Another one of her projects was the creation of our library guide to promote Rave and a Power & Privilege E-Course that YVC's Diversity Series subscribed to for students. During her sabbatical she attended The Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) virtual conference and participate in many sessions, gaining new knowledge and skills which allowed her to create new library guides to increase engagement, provide access, and encourage life learning.

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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Chair McClure called the regular meeting to order at 4:30pm.

A. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests and New Employees

Board of Trustees Present

Mr. Neil McClure, Chair
Mr. Cus Arteaga, Vice Chair
Mr. Patrick Baldoz

Others Present

YVC Students
YVC Staff & Faculty

Dr. Linda Kaminski, Secretary

Board of Trustees Absent

Dr. Sara Cate (excused)
Ms. Bertha Ortega (excused)

Introduction of Guests and New Employees.

Mr. Steve Sloniker, Executive Director of Human Resources, introduced Ms. Lissette Arista, Fiscal Tech 3/Cashier (Yakima), Ms. Eden Soto, HR Generalist, and Abraham Lopez, Secretary Senior for the Dean of the Grandview Campus.

B. Proposed Changes to the Agenda. There were no changes to the agenda.

C. Approval of Minutes: There were no minutes to approve at this time.

D. Action Items:

1. Exceptional Faculty Awards

Dr. Jennifer Ernst, Vice President for Instruction and Student Services, state that the Washington State Legislature under RCW 28B.50.835 authorized an exceptional faculty award program to “foster partnerships by creating matching grant programs to assist public community and technical colleges in creating endowments for funding exceptional faculty awards.” In 1992, Yakima Valley College and the YVC Foundation agreed to participate in the program for exceptional faculty.

In 2001, in accordance with RCW 28B.50.843, the college negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding with the faculty union regarding the process for determining local awards from the Exceptional Faculty Awards fund invested by the YVC Foundation. The MOU reflected the division structure in place at that time.

The faculty union executive board and the college have agreed on a Faculty Development Committee that reflects the current division structure. The committee is composed of one dean, one Arts & Sciences faculty, one Workforce Education faculty, one College and Career Readiness faculty, one faculty counselor, and one librarian. This committee has received and reviewed eight (8) faculty proposals for fall 2021. The recommendation is provided in the document submitted today for the board’s approval.

MOTION 21-11-01: Vice Chair Arteaga moved that the Board of Trustees adopts a motion to approve the recommended award amounts to the recipients as submitted by the Faculty Development Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Baldoz and passed unanimously.

E. Communications. There were no communications.

F. Reports

1. **Board of Trustees.** Trustee Baldoz shared that he has been reappointed to the Board of Trustees for YVC, pending Senate approval.
2. **Students:**

Lily Villa, GSC President, introduced GSC members, Esmeralda, GCS programmer and Lindsey, GCS Secretary, and shared upcoming events.
Kayla Villanueva, YSC President, discussed past events. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president's office
3. **Classified Staff.** No Report.
4. **Professional Staff.** No Report.
5. **Faculty.** No Report
6. **Vice President for Administrative Services.** Dr. Teresa Rich shared an update on ctcLink. All of the colleges in DG5 have deployed. YVC is a part of DG6 and we are 26 weeks away from our Go Live date. A copy of the Board fiscal update is filed with these minutes in the president's office.
7. **Vice President for Instruction and Student Services.** Dr. Jennifer Ernst shared that Dr. Kaminski had a goal of 30% in-person classes for winter quarter and that we are currently at 43% fully in-person or hybrid.

Dr. Ernst shared that the BAS in Agriculture was approved by the state. She thanked Skye Field, Dean of Workforce Ed, for her leadership over this project.

Dr. Ernst shared that YVC has been recognized as one of the 150 colleges across the country that has been made eligible to apply for the Aspen Award, which recognizes colleges for demonstrating an extraordinary commitment to student success.

Student Services Report. Ms. Leslie Blackaby, Dean of Student Services, shared that athletics has been adhering to the COVID protocols and have had no forfeits or positive cases. The YVC volleyball team has made it to the tournament, they play tonight, and if we win we will host. Dean Blackaby also shared that only 13% of aid provided to students that year was loans. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president's office.

Ms. Hillary Emerson, Running Start Coordinator, gave updates on Running Start which included that all Running Start apps and forms are available online and that running start specifics are now provided in the online NSO for students. YVC was one of three colleges picked to be a part of a Running Start summer pilot. If successful the legislature could vote to keep the summer program going.

8. **President.**

Community Relations Report. Mr. Dustin Wunderlich, Director of Community Relations, shared the first YVC Voice online publication, which will release on 11/15. The online publication will allow for more up to date info since it will not need to go to print and will be released 3 times a year. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president's office.

Human Resource Activity Report. Mr. Steve Sloniker, Executive Director of Human Resources, shared that HR staff attended a job fair at the Valley Mall in October and that staff have been busy with ctcLink training. There are currently about 10 positions being filled, many for guided pathways positions. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president's office.



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President's Report. 1) Dr. Kaminski shared that the enrollment report came out this morning and that YVC is down 9.2% overall. 2) Dr. Kaminski, Chair Neil McClure and Dr. Rich attended the Foundation board meeting on 11/9. They will hold a special meeting in December to talk about undocumented students, it will be in-house only. 3) Dr. Kaminski discussed that she participated in a round table for caring campus colleges that was country-wide. 5) Dr. Kaminski shared with the board that the National Legislative Summit will be taking place in-person in February, and that if any Board members would like to attend the early bird rate ends December 15th. Trustee Ortega expressed interest in attending. 6) We have started planning for commencement. YVC has the Sun Dome all day on Friday, June 17th. Due to the requirements of social distancing, YVC is discussing having 2 commencement ceremonies. There is a requirement to provide vaccination status if more than 1,000 people are in attendance and we do not want to exclude students based on their vaccination status. No family in person attendance but plans to live stream.

G. **Call to the Public.** No one present indicated a desire to address the Board.

H. **Date of Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be Thursday, January 13, 2022.

I. **Executive Session.** No executive session was called.

J. **Action Items.** N/A

K. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

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Neil McClure, Chair

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Attest: Linda Kaminski, Secretary