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MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING/STUDY SESSION

YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 8, 2022 4:00 p.m.

West Campus Conference Center 038-122, Meeting Room D

1704 W. Nob Hill Blvd, Yakima WA

Chair Arteaga called the special meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. Trustees present were Chair Arteaga, Trustee Baldoz, Trustee Cate, Trustee McClure and Vice Chair Ortega.

A. Anti-Hazing Policy & Procedure,

Steven Sloniker, Executive Director Human Resources, presented on a new Anti-Hazing Policy. In addition to the policy and in compliance of 2SHB 1751 (2022) the college will implement procedures and programs, including offering students and employees hazing prevention training and programming, implementation of mandatory reporting procedures, creation of hazing prevention committee and publication of a hazing report. A copy of the draft policy is filed with these minutes in the president's office.

The special meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

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REGULAR MEETING

YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 8, 2022 4:30 p.m.

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Chair Arteaga called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

A. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests and New Employees

Board of Trustees Present

Cus Arteaga, Chair

Patrick Baldoz

Dr. Sara Cate

Neil McClure

Bertha Ortega, Vice Chair

Others Present

YVC Faculty & Staff

Dr. Linda Kaminski

Introduction of Guests and New Employees. Mr. Steve Sloniker, Executive Director Human Resource Services introduced, Michelle Perry who will be taking over for Cathy VanWinsen representing the Classified Staff.

- B. Proposed Changes to the Agenda.** The agenda incorrectly listed the date of the regular meeting as February 10, 2022, it was corrected to reflect the correct date of September 8, 2022.
- C. Approval of Minutes:** Vice Chair Ortega moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 9, 2022 and Board Retreat of August 15, 2022 be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cate and passed unanimously.
- D. Action Items:** There were no action items.
- E. Communications:** There were no communications.
- F. Reports**
- 1. Board of Trustees.** Vice Chair Ortega shared that she attended the ACT committee meeting a few weeks ago. It was a good opportunity to get to know the other committee members.
 - 2. Students:** There were no student reports.
 - 3. Classified Staff** – Michelle Perry, WPEA Representative, read a short prepared statement, the classified staff stand with the fellow unions for fair wage increases.
 - 4. Professional Staff** – No report
 - 5. Faculty** – Ms. Rachel Dorn, AFT-Y Yakima President, discussed next week’s convocation, expressed concerns over staffing shortages in financial aid and human resources and concern that financial aid awards may not be ready.
 - 6. Vice President for Administrative Services** – Dr. Teresa Rich discussed the ctcLink update and some of the struggles and some of the successes. A copy of the handouts will be filed with these minutes in the president’s office.
 - 7. Vice President for Instruction and Student Services** – Dr. Jennifer Ernst stated with our ctcLink transitions we have experienced serious delays in awarding financial aid. Believes the issue has been solved and should have backlog cleared as quickly as possible. Excited about New Faculty orientation tomorrow and Convocation starts on Monday to celebrate our return to campus and welcome everyone back for the academic year. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president’s office.
 - 8. President’s Report** – 1) Dr. Kaminski pleased to say enrollment numbers are up 8.2% over the same time last year. 2) Big Bend CC has invited YVC and Board to attend a Government to Government Summit to grow Tribal Relations on November 14th. 3) Effective October 31st the Governor has rescinded the state of emergency. 4) Dr. Kaminski discussed the convocation schedule and invited the board members to attend. 5) President Kaminski discussed that WACTC will reconvene their Monday meetings; there are 15 new presidents with lots of questions about COVID, budgets, staffing, remote work etc... 6) Discussed a campus visit from the State Auditor. Trustee Cate inquired how or if the new loan forgiveness program will affect YVC. Dr. Kaminski indicated that the State Board was still trying to figure it out.
- Community Relations Report** – Mr. Dustin Wunderlich, Director of Community Relations, discussed the activities of the Community Relations team; production of videos for Upward Bound, Summer Research Program and working on one for CAMP and the teams support to enrollment with the YAK, print materials, emails and social media. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president’s office.



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Human Resource Activity Report – Mr. Steve Sloniker, Executive Director Human Resource Services reported that HR processed approximately 18 new hires since June. Due to ctcLink conversion there was a time that HR was not able to process recruitments. Just posted two more positions today and processing a couple more retirements and resignations. Recruitment is ongoing. A copy of the report is filed with these minutes in the president’s office.

G. Call to the Public – No one present expressed a desire to address the Board.

H. Date of Next Meeting— The next meeting will be Thursday, October 13, 2022.

I. Executive Session: Chair Arteaga announced an executive session. It is now 5:23 p.m. the Board will go into executive session for 15 minutes to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. Invited to join the Board was Steven Sloniker.

At 5:38 p.m. Chair Arteaga announced and extension of the executive session by 10 minutes. The executive session ended at 5:48 p.m.

J. Action Items: No action was taken.

K. Adjournment: The regular meeting reconvened at 5:49 p.m. and adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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Cus Arteaga, Chair

LINDA KAMINSKI

Attest: Linda Kaminski, Secretary