



**Gila County Community College District
Governing Board Special Meeting
Gila County Sheriff's Office Roosevelt Substation
February 16, 2016
APPROVED**

A Special Meeting of the Gila County Community College District Governing Board was held on February 16, 2016 at the Gila County Sheriff's Office Roosevelt Substation, 28449 N Highway 188, Roosevelt, Arizona 85545, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(B), notice having been duly given.

Governing Board Members Present:

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

Governing Board Members Absent:

N/A

Staff Present:

B. Stephen Cullen, GCC Senior Dean, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator IT Gila County, Trena Grantham, PR Coordinator,

OTHER GUESTS: No guests in attendance at the time the meeting was called to order. Michele Nelson of *Payson Roundup* arrived during the meeting.

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

President Spehar called the Special Meeting to order. President acknowledged that there was a quorum and he also acknowledged that there were no guests in attendance. Trena Grantham led the Pledge.

2. Call to the Public

President Spehar acknowledged that on the advice of Counsel he would not read the call to the public because there were no guests in attendance. President Spehar read the Call to the Public when the guest arrived.

3. New Business

A. Congressman Gosar to visit Payson Campus on March 9, 2016/Information/Discussion/Action

President Spehar informed the Board that Congressman Gosar would be visiting the Payson Campus on March 9th and asked if Secretary Zilisch and Member Bocker would be available for the visit. They both responded that they would be available. President acknowledged that the Congressman's visit was in lieu of the Legislative Day he was unable to attend. President Spehar advised that he would send details to them as soon as he spoke with TriAdvocates.

B. Promise Zone letter of support/Information/Discussion/Action

President Spehar provided a brief description of a Promise Zone as being an area that is not faring well economically. He informed that a large community collation has been formed in hopes of convincing the Secretary of the Interior to designate the area as a Promise Zone. The Gila County Industrial Development Agency is leading the effort and is partnering with the County, cities, and service organizations in Southern Gila County and areas outside of Gila County. If selected by the Federal Government, Vista volunteers would be sent to the area to help with grants and helping to bring more funding into the area. President was asked if the College would be interested in partnering with the other organizations. He prepared a draft letter, which is included in the Board packet, for the Board to review and decide. Questions were asked and discussion followed. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

Motion 02162016#1

Member Moorhead called for the question. President Spehar called for all in favor to signify by saying aye. There was one nay vote by Member Moorhead and an abstention by Secretary Zilisch. There were three ayes. Motion passed. President informed that the vote granted him permission to sign and mail the letter on behalf of the Board.

Guest Michel Nelson of the *Payson Roundup* arrived at the meeting. President Spehar acknowledged her presence.

C. San Carlos Campus Update/Information/Discussion/Action

President Spehar informed that there had been a meeting scheduled with the San Carlos Education Committee, however, the meeting was cancelled due to the committee lacking a quorum. An e-mail was sent to the Committee with alternative dates and he is hoping to meet with the committee on Friday. Senior Dean Cullen informed that a presentation was in place and a contract would be presented to the committee. Questions were asked and much discussion followed. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

D. Tuition/Information/Discussion/Action

President Spehar informed that he has spoken with the Deans in order to get their professional opinion on a tuition change. The Deans professional opinion was that the existing tuition schedule did not need to be changed. Questions were asked, each Board member provided input and much discussion followed. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes)

The Board convened for a 10 minute break.

The Board reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Continuation of Item D.

Member Moorhead asked for input regarding financial aid from the guest, Michel Nelson. She provided information on her experiences with Financial Aid and Board members commented and discussion followed. President Spehar summarized the conversations and asked the Board to take time to study the tuition schedule for the next few months and devise an informed tuition schedule.

Motion 02162016 #2

Secretary Zilisch moved to remain with the current tuition structure. Member Moorhead seconded the motion.

Secretary Zilisch seconded the motion. Call for discussion; Members provided input both for and against. Secretary Zilisch withdrew his motion so that the Board could hear Member Brocker's presentation.

Member Brocker presented figures to the Board. Questions were asked and discussion followed.

Motion 02162016 #3

Member McCreary moved to adopt for the upcoming year Member Brocker's proposal as it is showing on the Board and ask our tuition committee to start on the process of coming up with a formula for tuition in the future.

Member McCreary restated his motion.

Member McCreary moved that for the upcoming year we adopt the General Tuition Schedule that Member Brocker presented on the Board. Member McCreary stated that this is the 2016-2017 General Tuition Schedule. More discussion took place. Motion was seconded by Secretary Zilisch. Call for discussion; some discussion followed. Call for the vote; Motion passed unanimously. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

A request by Member McCreary to insert the word "general" when referring to the tuition schedule was made.

Item 3D continued with discussion on dual enrollment tuition. President Spehar stated that both CVIT and NAVIT were very concerned regarding a tuition increase. Questions were asked and discussion followed.

Motion 02162016 #4

Member McCreary moved to adopt Member Brocker's proposed schedule for dual enrollment for the upcoming school year. Motion was seconded by Member Moorhead. Call for discussion. Some discussion took place. Call for the vote; motion passed unanimously. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

Motion 02162016 #5

Member Brocker moved to have in tandem with the accepted tuition schedule, a concerted effort to gain the type of background and data needed to go forward through the Enrollment Management Committee and also the Funding Strategy Committee. Member McCreary seconded the motion. Call for discussion; there was no response. Vote taken; motion passed unanimously.

The Board convened for lunch.

The Board reconvened.

E. Strategic Plan Review/Update/Information/Discussion/Action

President Spehar reviewed the vision and mission statement. There was no response to a need for change in the vision and mission statement.

Funding Strategy: Member Moorhead updated on the happenings of the Funding Strategy Committee. He noted that a change was just made in the tuition schedule and that there was a modest increase in the property tax for this year's budget. He commented that the Legislative support from TriAdvocates has been excellent. He stated that he was not sure how we would meet the budget requirements necessary for accreditation. President Spehar informed that TriAdvocate representatives have volunteered to work with the Board regarding accreditation.

Accreditation Strategy: Member McCreary stated that he intends to meet with leaders at EAC to discuss accreditation. He asked Member Brocker to provide the update on Objectives and Goals. Member Brocker provided

information on what she learned from the Higher Learning Commission regarding requirements that must be met. Much discussion ensued.

Enrollment Management Strategy: Member Brocker reported that some of the key points that need to be addressed were the 55 plus enrollment data, new enrollment, programs, retention and new revenues. President Spehar stated that all this should be studied under the Systematic Management Plan.

Legislative Strategy: President Spehar spoke about how beneficial it has been bringing back TriAdvocates and the excellent work they are doing in keeping us informed on Legislative happenings. He also stated that we have been blessed with many resources and he spoke about the Bill regarding the ratio on hi-cost programs such as Fire Science and Cosmetology.

Communications Strategy: Secretary Zilisch informed that Senior Dean Cullen has a very effective structure in place regarding communications. He has reviewed the theatre ad and has been asking local businesses what kind of training is needed to fill jobs. One program that was mentioned as being needed was Dental Assistant. Senior Dean Cullen informed that the Dental Assistant program is in the works if a grant from Freeport comes through. A supervisory training program was also mentioned.

Partnership Strategy: President Spehar informed the Board that work was done on grants with Freeport McMoRan and the Department of Corrections. The Partner List has been revised and Senior Dean Cullen is meeting with Banner Hospital in Payson in March. Member Brocker mentioned meeting with someone from MHA Foundation (Mogollon Health Alliance).

President Spehar reminded the Board that it was agreed that all committees meet once a month. He would also like volunteers to join him in working on a new committee to study the Provisional Status of the College. Member McCreary volunteered along with Senior Dean Cullen.

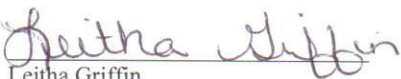
4. Future Agenda Items

- Next regular BOG meeting is March 3, 2016
- President Spehar will contact TriAdvocates regarding a visit to the campus

5. Adjournment/Action

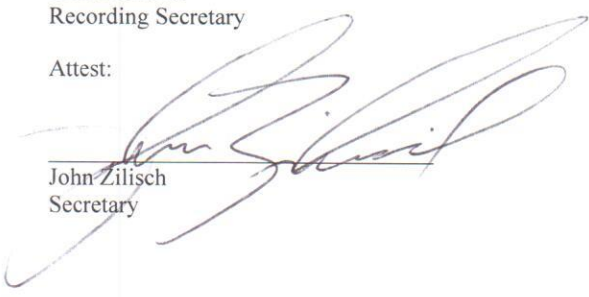
Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,


Leitha Griffin

Recording Secretary

Attest:


John Zilisch
Secretary