

Gila County Community College District **Governing Board Work Session Meeting** Gila Pueblo Campus January 3, 2019 **DRAFT/APPROVED**

A Work Session Meeting of the Gila County Community College District Governing Board was held via ITV on January 3, 2019, 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:

Jay Spehar, President Jan Brocker, Vice President and Secretary Samuel I. Moorhead, Member Jennifer White, Member

Governing Board Members Absent:

Kurt Knauss, Member

Staff Present:

B. Stephen Cullen, Senior Dean, Pat Burke, GPC Campus Dean, Pam Butterfield, Payson Campus Dean, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator IT Gila County, Susan Gallo, Fiscal Coordinator, Leitha Griffin, PR Coordinator, LQ. Harris, Software Support Specialist, Mike Pastor, RTC Director, and Chastity Van Buskirk, Administrative Assistant.

OTHER GUESTS: EAC Vice-President Heston Welker

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

President Spehar called to order the Gila County Community College District Governing Board Work Session meeting at 9:01 a.m. on January 3, 2019. President Spehar called roll and stated that member Knauss was absent and asked that the record show that there was a quorum. Member Moorhead led the Pledge.

President Spehar announced that there was a special guest at the Globe Campus. Heston Welker, Vice President of Operations at Eastern Arizona College. There were no guests at the Payson Campus.

2. Discussion

A. Election of 2019 GCCCD Governing Board Officers/Information/Discussion

President Spehar informed that when the Board meets in the regular session a president and vice president/secretary must be elected for the upcoming year.

B. Payson First Church of the Nazarene Facility Usage Request and Agreement/Information/Discussion President Spehar informed that this Request and Agreement is important to the College because this is the location where the Payson Graduation Ceremony, the Nurses Pinning and other events are held every year. President asked Senior Dean Cullen to provide information. Senior Dean Cullen explained that the Agreement had not been reviewed by counsel when it was brought before the Board in December. It has since been checked by Mr. Shire and is in order as originally presented. It does require a certificate of insurance. The Payson Graduation ceremony will be held May 8, 2019, at the Payson First Church of the Nazarene. President called for questions or comments and there was no response. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes).

C. Authorizing the Governing Board President to conduct negotiations for GCCCD's inclusion in the Prop 301 reauthorization funding formula or any related funding measures/Information/Discussion

President Spehar informed that discussion is to authorize the Governing Board President, whoever that may be, to conduct negotiations for GCCCD's inclusion in the Prop 301 reauthorization funding measures or any related funding measures. President stated that he had been invited to tap in by phone and listen in and participate in the meetings of a large group representing community colleges, universities, K-12, private entities and some local governments.

3. Reports/Information/Discussion

A. President/Board Report/Information/Discussion

President Spehar reported that he was invited to meet with the representative from The Arizona Community College Association and discussed why it would be appropriate and necessary to include Gila in the funding formula. He also met with people from Santa Cruz at their request. He informed that Santa Cruz and the Community College Association had different views on how funding was handled. He thanked Leitha for sending the video of the Regional Training Center to him. He sent it on to Gretchen Jacobs and asked that she get it to the Community College Association. He stated that it was especially meaningful since the video had been done by a third party and not the College. President Spehar informed that the Extension Agreement running through June 30, 2019, has been signed by all parties and is in place. President stated that he and member Moorhead and Mrs. Moorhead went to the Superintendent of Public Instruction's office and member Moorhead was sworn in by Superintendent Sandoval for another term on the GCC Governing Board.

President welcomed Member White as she arrived and asked that the record show she was at the meeting and that her absence should be removed from the minutes.

B. Sr. Dean's Report/Information/Discussion

Senior Dean Cullen reported the following:

- The sidewalks and conduit are complete at the five-plex at GPC.
- The storage unit that was at the hospital in Payson has been relocated to the Payson Campus. The only work left is the sidewalk and the steps. The crew is waiting for a break in the weather.
- The lighting upgrade at the new Nursing Skills Lab in Payson is scheduled to be completed by January 8th.
- New carpeting has been installed in the 300 wing at the Payson Campus; that included five rooms.

Senior Dean Cullen asked Dean Butterfield to provide information on a couple of issues involving the Payson Campus. Dean Butterfield reported that she is currently working with the County and a gentleman who wants to apply for a grant to align portions of the trail that are too steep and not being well maintained.

Dean Butterfield shared exciting news about a gift of \$125,000 from the Caris Charitable Trust for STEM related projects. Dean Butterfield applied for the grant from the trust and was very pleased with the equipment that will be purchased. President Spehar asked if there were any questions for Senior Dean Cullen. There was no response.

C. Financial Report/Information/Discussion

Susan Gallo reported that she did not have any reports for January. She stated that she is waiting for the November financials and December should follow. She informed that there were no financial reports in the Board packets. President Spehar asked that Susan send the Board the financial reports when they are received.

4. Standing Business

A. Update on the Accreditation Strategy/Information/Discussion

Vice President Brocker stated that due to the holidays there is nothing new on accreditation. However, she did have the date for the Higher Learning Commission Conference in Chicago on April 6th. The conference is for those seeking accreditation candidacy. She is hoping to attend.

B. Update on Board Policy Strategy /Information/Discussion

Vice President Brocker informed that there was a plan to form a focus group as a follow up to the survey that was conducted in the communities and on campus. She stated that she would meet with Deans from both campuses and discuss what should be done. Vice President Brocker wanted it made clear that the tuition waiver was not going away but she thinks there are other ways to offset expenses that need to be explored.

C. Update on the Legislative Strategy/Information/Discussion

President Spehar informed that he had discussed this item earlier. He stated it is all about 301.

D. Update on Communication Strategy/Information/Discussion

Leitha Griffin informed that on December 8th GCC had a booth at the Read-On Express and there were over 1,500 adults and children who visited our booth.

On December 12th she attended the Cobre Valley Collaborative Meeting which evolved from the 4 different RCCA workshops that she attended last fall. Three issues for the Globe Miami community were identified: housing, education, and recreation. GCC will serve on the education and recreation committees. She informed that she will keep the Board updated. Of other news, a lady from the U of A contacted Dr. Todd Terhufen to see if he would be interested in having a student run water campaign here on the Gila Pueblo Campus. There will be a meeting on January 15, 2019, and she will report the happenings at next month's Board meeting.

Leitha was contacted by the Gila County School Superintendent's Office regarding having the STEMFEST held on our Campus. This will be the third annual STEMFEST held on our campus.

E. Update on Partnering Strategy/Information/Discussion

President Spehar stated that the 301 groups he is working with is a new partnership.

Senior Dean Cullen reported he has contacted the Yavapai Apache Tribe four times and still has not heard back from them. Nothing is moving from Mohave or Yavapai. Senior Dean also reported that he had a discussion with Corey Foster who is now with the Arizona Chapter of General Contractors Association. He is currently working on a new model of pre- apprentices and apprentices. Mr. Foster would like for GCC to be the hub for training in terms of on-line and the RTC. They will bring in the contractors to work with the apprentices or pre-apprentices and provide on-the-job training.

F. Update on Funding Strategy/Information/ Discussion

Member Moorhead informed that others have been doing good work as far as getting funding or grants. He informed that he was appreciative of their work.

G Freedom of Expression Committee/Information/Discussion

Member Moorhead informed that he had a copy of the EAC report and the first page will work really well in terms of our Board Policy. He informed that the will write it up and present it at the next Board meeting.

5. General Information and Discussion of the Same

- A. The next District Governing Board meeting date will be February 7, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
- B. Future Agenda Requests

President Spehar asked if the Board members had any other items on the work session to address; there was no response.

6. Adjournment/Action

President Spehar called for a motion to adjourn the work session and after adjournment the Board return at 9:50 a.m. to commence the regular session.

Motion 01032019#1

Member White moved to adjourn the Work Session. Vice President Brocker seconded the motion. All in favor signify by saying aye. Opposed signify by saying nay; there was no response. Ayes have it (Brocker, Moorhead, Spehar, and White voting in favor). We are adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Chastity Van Buskirk Recording Secretary

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Vice President - Secretary