



**Gila County Community College District1
Governing Board Special Meeting
Electronic Meeting
June 9 2021**

****DRAFT/UNAPPROVED****

A Special Meeting of the Gila County Community College Provisional District Governing Board was held on June 9, 2021, with all Board members participating electronically by ZOOM. Gila Community College pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(B), notice having been duly given.

Governing Board Members Present

Jan Bocker, President (via ZOOM)
Connie Cockrell, Secretary (via ZOOM)
Samuel I. Moorhead, Vice President (via ZOOM)

Governing Board Members Absent:

Kurt Knauss, Treasurer/CFO (Absent)
Fernando Shipley, Member (Excused Absence)

Also Present:

Pam Butterfield, Payson Campus Dean, Andrea Renon, Facility Coordinator, Ron Carnahan, Project Coordinator IT Gila County, Leitha Griffin, PR Coordinator, Heston Welker, VP Administration/CBO, Sr. Dean Janice Lawhorn, Dean of Curriculum and Instruction and Gila County Senior Dean, Trae Morris, EAC Bursar, Laurie Pennington, Director Enterprise Risk Management, and Jessica Scibelli, Gila County Attorney's Office.

Other Guests:

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

President Bocker called to order the Special Meeting of the Gila County Community College Provisional District Governing Board of June 9, 2021 at 9:03 a.m. and called roll. President Bocker stated Treasurer/CFO Knauss is not present and Member Shipley has an excused absence. President Bocker asked that the record show there is a quorum. President Bocker stated the Pledge would be recited during the regular meeting. President Bocker asked if there were any guests. Ron responded that he did not see anyone at this time.

2. Call to the Public: No one approached the Board. President Bocker skipped the Call to the Public.

3. New Business

President Bocker stated that there should be four items under New Business and she asked that Leitha, Heston or Trae correct her if need be.

A. Truth in Taxation Proposal/Information/Discussion/Action

President Bocker announced that a Truth in Taxation hearing is being held now. Public comments will be heard regarding the proposed 2021-2022 Property Tax Levy Increase in accordance with requirements A.R.S. §15-1461.01A4. In accordance with this process, this would be the time for any comments from the public. President Bocker called on Laurie Pennington asking if there was anyone registered to speak and she assumed no one is present. Laurie Pennington stated there was no one on her end. President Bocker stated there was no one on her end and Ron stated he saw no public on line at this time. President Bocker asked for clarification on the next set of instructions which states that the Gila Board received a letter in opposition to the Tax increase from ATRA. President Bocker informed that the letter did not go to our Board. Laurie stated that she had not seen one from ATRA. Laurie then informed that if the Gila Board has not received one it is pretty safe to say that you have not received one. President Bocker stated that the Gila Board has not received any letters of opposition to the best of their knowledge.

President Bocker informed that as required by statute for the purpose of voting on the Truth in Taxation Proposal on the 2021-2022 Gila County Provisional Community College District Budget there was a call for any questions or discussion from the Board or any other individuals.

VP Moorhead stated he is not sure if Kurt Knauss may have had to evacuate and that is a good probability why he is not with us. He then stated that as far as the letter from ATRA which is a unique lobbying organization and their response to any sort of tax increase is a "no". His thinking is with or without the letter from ATRA the Board needs to thank them for their comments and then proceed with what we are supposed to do.

President Brocker then proceeded to clarify for everyone and the record that what is proposed as far as the increase is what is allowed by statute which is the increase of 2% and the increase on a \$100,000 home, would go from \$93.78 to \$95.65. The increase is less than two dollars per \$100,000 of home value. President Brocker also wanted to clarify what she had seen in the press release, and what she and Leitha discussed, because of the increased valuation on property even though there will be a 2% increase the overall tax Levy is lowered. President Brocker asked if there was anyone who could explain that. VP Welker spoke to this by saying because the evaluation the assessments have gone up in the County and the rate per dollar of valuation has actually gone down. The total Levy is still higher than it was. VP Welker stated that is the basic explanation so what President Brocker stated was correct. President Brocker called for any other comments and there was no response.

President Brocker would consider a motion to levy the increase by roll call vote.

Motion 006092021 #1

Secretary Cockrell made a motion. Call for a second. VP Moorhead seconded the motion. President Brocker called for a roll call vote; VP Moorhead; Aye, Secretary Cockrell; Aye, President Brocker; Aye. Record shows there was no opposition and no abstain. Motion passed. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

B. Proposed 2021-2022 Budget/Information/Discussion/Action

President Brocker informed that the Board is now in the Public Budget Hearing where public comments would be heard on the proposed 2021-2022 Budget as required by A.R.S. §15-1461 I. President Brocker called for comments or any comments from the public or anyone registered to speak. Ron responded that there was no public on line at this time. President Brocker called for questions or discussion about the proposed Budget. VP Moorhead asked if the cash Expenditure Limitation impacted this particular budget. VP Welker informed in detail how preparing the budget for the Expenditure Limitation based on FTSE was done. He also stated that an Expenditure Limitation and the Budget are two very different items and you request as much capacity as allowed and that is what you will be doing in this case. President Brocker explained that budget questions were addressed at the last meeting. She also stated that this is basically a request for spending and the Expenditure Limitation legislation will be discussed at the regular meeting. President Brocker stated that the Budget has been put together following the guidelines and put together to the best of anyone's ability with the knowledge on hand at this time.

President Brocker called for a motion to adopt the 2021-2022 Budget

Motion 006092021 #2

VP Moorhead made a motion to adopt the 2021-2022 Budget. President Brocker called for a second. Secretary Cockrell seconded the motion. President Brocker called for roll call vote. VP Moorhead; Aye, Secretary Cockrell; Aye, and President Brocker; Aye. Unanimous with the quorum on hand. The Budget is approved. (Copy attached and made a part of the official minutes.)

President Brocker asked if a break was needed. It was determined a break was not needed. President Brocker informed that this meeting would adjourn and go to the regular meeting.

President Brocker called for a motion to adjourn.

4. Adjournment/Action

Motion 006092021#3

Secretary Cockrell motioned to adjourn the working Board meeting. VP Moorhead seconded the motion. President Brocker called for the vote. All in favor say aye. Meeting is adjourned. (Brocker, Cockrell, and Moorhead voting in favor).

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

Attest:



Secretary Connie Cockrell
GCCCD Governing Board Secretary