

PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS BUSINESS MEETING
Sylvania Campus, Conference Rooms A & B
September 15, 2006

BOARD ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Jim Harper, Jaime Lim, Doreen Margolin, Karen McKinney, Bob Palmer, Harold Williams

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Directors convened an executive session for Labor Negotiations, Real Property Transactions, and Litigation in accordance with ORS 192.660 (1)(3)(d, e, h) at 6:50 PM, adjourning at 7:25 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Williams called the business meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The Chair asked those present to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Margolin made a motion to amend the agenda to add an Information Session on the MyPCC and Title III Update.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July 21, 2005 business meeting minutes were approved as published.

INFORMATION SESSION

Roots/Upward Bound and Talent Search

Dr. Paul Hill, Sylvania Campus President; Miriam Friedman, Director, Trio Student Support Services; Eduardo Martinez-Zapata, Director, Trio Talent Search; Jean Garcia-Chitwood, Director, Trio Upward Bound reported success in assisting students, especially minority students, to complete high school and continue on to community college or four year university. Funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Education. The collaboration of these three programs empowers and provides life-changing experiences for students.

Ms. Friedman reported that the ROOTS program provides help to economically disadvantaged students including some single parents to stay in school. The program also provides assistance in exploring career options; instruction in basic study skills;

getting academic tutoring; and finding needed financial aid including scholarship opportunities. The program has awarded over \$116,000 to students to help them stay in school, has helped them access over \$400,000 in scholarships and has helped over 100 students graduate with many going on to other postsecondary institutions. Students completing the program were surveyed and reported their college experience was positive.

Ms. Garcia-Chitwood reported that Upward Bound is an intensive academic program that prepares high school students from low-income families to be ready for postsecondary education. The program provides personal and career counseling and advising; weekly tutoring in all academic subjects; assistance completing enrollment and financial aid applications; and campus tours of colleges and universities.

Mr. Martinez-Zapata reported that the Talent Search program helps middle and high school students from disadvantaged families prepare for and apply to postsecondary institutions. Over 50% of the participants are Latino. Participants are students who have academic ability but need help to become successful college and university students. 77% of the students in the program are graduating seniors who are college ready and will enroll in college 2006-2007.

President Pulliams commended the efforts of these programs.

MyPCC and Title III Update

Dr. Nan Poppe, Interim Vice President Academic Services; Tammy Billick, Director Information Technology; and Rebecca Mathern, Coordinator Title III Grant, provided an update on PCC's Title III grant.

Dr. Poppe reported Title III is a federally funded program to improve student retention. PCC has been awarded three Title III grants with the last award \$1.7 million.

Ms. Billick reported that MyPCC went live on August 30, 2004 for students, faculty and staff. MyPCC provides secure online services to students who work or for other reasons can't be on campus during business hours. MyPCC connects them to the College and College resources like email, registration, class materials, instructors, and student organizations. Event calendars and announcements posted on MyPCC have increased student awareness and thereby participation in College events.

Ms. Mathern reported that components of MyPCC have assisted in enhancing student retention. "Ask the Panther" is an online smart database for student advising that is updated weekly to keep information current and relevant. Ask the Panther is available to students 24 hours a day, seven days a week and provides immediate answers to questions that in the past required making advising appointments and waiting for answers. Use of "Ask the Panther" has reduced staff time previously spent answering student questions. "Panther Tracks", for first term students, provides check lists to help them stay on track. "Panther Tracks" helps create an on line community for students not on campus and has increased retention of these students. A degree audit component of MyPCC will go online by winter term. This will allow immediate feedback for students on remaining class requirements needed to finish their current degree program or requirements should they wish to change to another program. MyPCC is providing connection and information to the PCC community.

Director Margolin asked if there is a plan to include Board information on MyPCC.

Randy McEwen, Vice President Administrative Services, replied that there is a plan to include board information on MyPCC and that the design and content is being discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Lucia Barnett, Public Safety Sergeant asked if the intent of Resolution 06-012 regarding Management and Confidential Salary Adjustment for FY 2005-6 was a 3% or 6% salary increase. Mr. McEwen responded the increase is 3%.

Ms. Barnett commented that with high cost to employees for benefits such as health insurance it is difficult to keep current employees or hire replacements when salary increases do not cover out of pocket cost for benefits. She further stated the proposal to increase parking fees is one more increase that will create a hardship to employees and students. She asked if consideration had been given to adding parking structure building and parking lot maintenance to the next bond initiative so fee increase would not be needed.

Director McKinney stated concern that because tuition and other costs are rising, increasing parking fees may create a burden for students.

Mr. McEwen advised that building parking structures; parking lots, roads and campus shuttle services are not permitted to be funded by the State's community college bonding program, and that community colleges can fund only purely instructional investments by the state-supported bonding program. The increased parking fee is not intended to generate funds for new construction, but rather for maintenance and repairs.

Mr. McEwen explained small and medium size busses have replaced vans for the shuttle service to increase safety and reduce cost.

Director Margolin said she believed the Resolution had been well thought out and researched and should be approved.

BUSINESS SESSION

Director McKinney asked Resolutions 06-017 not be approved without further clarification.

Director Margolin moved to approve Resolutions 06-008 through 06-016 by consent agenda and it passed unanimously.

Director Margolin moved to approve Resolution 06-017; following brief discussion, it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

BOARD REPORTS

Other Reports:

Kyle Gady of ASPCC Rock Creek reported that it is expected that financial funding in the form of student financial aid may be reduced. Oregon Community College Student Association has provided community college students assistance in preparing applications for financial aid in the hope that early application for funding will increase their chance of award. Another change is each campus student leader will attend Board meetings held at their campus.

Lucia Barnett, President of the Classified Federation advised that support for contract negotiations would be demonstrated by wearing red and blue shirts at next week's Inservice.

Frank Goulard, President of the Faculty Federation reiterated that parking cost is a real consideration for students, faculty and staff. He stated that almost 20% of parking fees collected go into the general fund. He is looking forward to the start of the school year.

Chair's Report:

Chair Williams reported the ACCT Congress went very well. Nike showed their support to PCC by hosting an evening reception honoring this year's theme "Disappearing Young Black Men on Campuses". Nike also became an Associate Member of the organization.

Director Margolin reported last week's ACCT Congress was very worthwhile. She commended Chair Williams for the work he did at the Congress and for encouraging Nike to be so involved.

Director Harper reported the PCC Foundation had a Board meeting this morning and that it was reported that the Foundation has three million dollars for student scholarships. He invited all to attend the scholarship reception 6:00PM, October 19 in the Sylvania Cafeteria. He is asking Board Directors, faculty and staff to attend to show support for the students.

President's Report:

President Pulliams commended the Board for their participation and for making a difference. He said Cascade, Rock Creek and Sylvania are moving along and will be ready for students on September 26. PCC has enrolled two students who were victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The President is beginning his second year at PCC. He enjoyed his first year and is looking forward to another exciting year at PCC.

President Pulliams reminded the Board that Fall Inservice at Sylvania Campus will be Monday, September 19 and The Moriarty Arts and Humanities building at Cascade Campus will be dedicated on October 12.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Portland Community College Board of Directors will be held on October 20, 2005, 7:30 PM at Rock Creek Campus, Building 9, Room 122.

Chair Williams

District President Pulliams

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