# PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE - BOARD OF DIRECTORS PO BOX 19000 - Portland, OR 97280

#### **BUSINESS SESSION**

February 23, 2017
CLIMB Center
1626 SE Water Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97214

# **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Denise Frisbee, Jim Harper, Vice Chair Kali Thorne-Ladd, Michael Sonnleitner and Molly Walker

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board met in executive session at 6:30 pm to discuss In accordance with ORS 192.660 (2), in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2), (d) bargaining, (e) real property (f) information exempt from public disclosure (Attorney-Client Privilege), (h) litigation.

Linda Degman presented an update on the Portland Metro Partnership. Gary Christiansen provided an update on litigation regarding the Newberg Center.

Executive session adjourned at 7:15 pm.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thorne-Ladd called the business meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The January 19, 2017 meeting minutes were approved as published. Harper/Sonnleitner

## APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as published. Harper/Frisbee

#### RECOGNITION

Virginia Carter Smith Grand Crystal Award

- Cate Soulages, Director of Strategic Communications
- Jesse Aerni, PCC Foundation Events Coordinator
- Daniel Soucy, Marketing Specialist / Senior Designer
- Jennifer Boehmer, Associate Director of Strategic Communications

The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) is the nation's premier professional association for higher education advancement efforts that combine fundraising with communication. It predominately represents four-year universities. CASE District VIII, our regional district, actively represents the likes of OSU, UofO, PSU, UW, Gonzaga, University of British Columbia and many others.

Each year, CASE District VIII holds an awards competition for excellent advancement-related activities. The 59 categories attract almost 500 entry submissions. Portland Community College must compete against advancement operations with triple the size of staff and budgets (at least), and who are engaged in fundraising campaigns with goals projected into the billions of dollars.

This year PCC received some incredible news. In the category of Special Events the PCC Gala, "An Evening for Opportunity," won the Grand Gold Award. All of the Grand Gold Award winning entries are then entered into a separate competition. The winning Grand Gold is awarded the Virginia Carter Smith Grand Crystal Eagle Award. It is essentially a "best of the best" award.

Portland Community College was just named as the recipient of the Virginia Carter Smith Grand Crystal Eagle Award. In CASE's 43-year history, we are the first community college to EVER receive this honor in the country. The Evening for Opportunity Gala was judged as an exemplary event for its overall creativity, community and donor engagement -- outshining all other higher education events.

Winning this honor is a testament to the incredible mission of the college, and to the teamwork, dedication and heart of the College Advancement staff in marketing and fundraising who work on its behalf here at PCC. It is truly an accomplishment for Portland Community College.

# **INFORMATION SESSIONS**

CLIMB Center Update, Marc Goldberg, Associate Vice President Marc Goldberg provided an update on the reorganization at CLIMB and how it ties into the Strategic Plan. He pointed to new initiatives and programs that are being offered at CLIMB. He added that there are many partnerships with industry that we provide certificate for students. The Small Business Development Center is working with businesses who are getting involved in global trade with export markets. One of the strategic initiatives that was funded this year was a noncredit registration project. This work is underway and developing.

Budget Update, Jim Langstraat, Vice President Jim provided a list of principles that have guided his team when developing the budget for the biennium. Budget forums with faculty, staff, students, including international students have been held across the district. One of the forums was recorded so folks can watch at their convenience. There is also a short snapshot available for students who want a quick view of the process.

Enrollment did not decrease this term. This is the first time we have not seen a decline over the last few years. Just to be clear, enrollment has not decreased to prerecession numbers. Collective bargaining will not be completed until late spring once we know the governor's budget. This process is important as it affects all facets of the college. The \$1.2M strategic plan funding budgeted for the biennium will carry to the next biennium.

The fund balance continues to need to be increased. It was spent down \$20 million in a three year time frame. We are well below the advised 15% amount with our current balance being at 9%. Staff are recommending \$2 million for replenishing the fund balance.

OMIC is another uncertainty of the budget. Deferred maintenance is always an issue and needs to be addressed properly in the budget.

Tuition rate increase will be presented at the March 2 meeting. The board does have the ability to adjust the tuition rate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the biennium if it deems. This has been done in the past.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Peter Revello Lauren Phillips Frank Goulard

Student Activity Fee River Flora (read by Molly Walker) Alex Bell-Johnson Filadelfia Tadjibaeva

# **BUSINESS MEETING**

Chair Thorne-Ladd proposed approval of Resolutions 17-067 through 17-074. Frisbee/Harper

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

None

## **REPORTS**

Frank Goulard and Jeff Grider provided updates on behalf of the Faculty and Academic Professional Federation and the Classified Union.

Molly Walker provided an update for the District Student Council.

Director Harper reported on the trip to the ACCT NLS 2017. He noted we are lucky to have President Mitsui here at PCC. We should all be proud to be a part of PCC. He noted that the issues for community colleges for year-round Pell grants and risk sharing for community colleges. Director Thorne-Ladd noted that we here in Oregon are lucky to have the Senators and Congress folks who work very hard on our behalf.

President Mitsui thanked the Chair Thorne-Ladd and Director Harper for attending the ACCT Legislative Summit. He also thanked Harper, Sonnlietner and Thorne-Ladd for attending All Hands Raised. The Executive Order 9066 event was very well attended. The discussion was great, there was very meaningful community dialogue.

He noted this is the first quarter that enrollment has not dropped in years. He thanked all who have made strides to help with this. President Mitsui read the Dear Colleague email that was sent out to PCC Announce today.

Chair Thorne-Ladd closed with a quote by Maya Angelou; *History, despite its wrenching pain, cannot be unlived, but if faced with courage, need not be lived again.* 

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Kali Thorne-Ladd, Chair

Mark Mitsui, College President

Prepared by:

Jeannie Moton, Executive Coordinator

Minutes approved on March 16, 2017.