

**Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD**

**November 17, 2016**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Room 102**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Brad Treptow, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Dr. Lynn Willard and Mr. James Paxton were present.

Dr. Michael Budd and Ms. Gina Klinekole were absent

Also present were Dr. Clayton Alred and Dr. Steven Gamble by phone.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Dr. Willard moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Paxton seconded the motion.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Dr. Willard moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 29, 2016 as submitted. Mr. Paxton seconded the motion.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Mr. Treptow introduced guests: Dr. Dan Patterson, member of the Board of Regents, Mr. Pierre Laroche, Ms. Sheila Farquer, Ms. Coda Omness, Ms. Dinah Hamilton, Ms. Rachel Saenz, and Mr. John Hemphill.

**REPORT FROM COLLEGE BOARD CHAIR**

Mr. Treptow invited Dr. Patterson to say a few words to the Board. Dr. Patterson offered the Board his appreciation on behalf of the Board of Regents. He stated that he has had an affiliation with ENMU-Ruidoso since the beginning and appreciates being able to see it grow.

Mr. Treptow reported on attending the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and the Foundation reception and was pleased with both. Mr. Treptow stated he attended the Creative Aging Meeting, where Dr. Alred gave the Bond C presentation.

He is looking forward to attending the December 5, 2016 Sun Path meeting in Santa Fe.

**REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY**

- Dr. Gamble offered his congratulations on ENMU-Ruidoso's 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.
- Dr. Gamble discussed the passing of the General Obligation Bond C and stated that it is an opportunity to receive financing for facilities. ENMU Portales received \$11,000,000 for renovations to the library.
- Dr. Gamble reported on the state budget. In the last 10 days the deficit amount reported changed three times with the last reported at \$180,000,000 which is down from the initial reports of \$100,000,000 and \$130,000,000. The impact on Portales funding for Fiscal Year 2017 is estimated at 7.5% or \$250,000,000. Dr. Gamble stated that he anticipates an additional 2.5% or \$750,000 cut in funding.
- Dr. Gamble discussed the proposed new ruling from the Higher Education Department and Public Education Department and the effects it will have on the dual credit programs. The limits placed on high school students obtaining college credit was his greatest concern.
- Dr. Gamble stated that even with the challenges faced, the mission, to provide the best education possible, was met on all three campuses.

**REPORT FROM THE ENMU-RUIDOSO PRESIDENT**

- Dr. Alred stated that it had been a busy semester. He noted the strategic plan being has been finalized and distributed.
- Dr. Alred reminded Board members that the Board elections would be held February 7, 2017. The election notices will be printed in December and the candidate declaration date is December 20, 2016.
- Dr. Alred stated that with the ending of the lease at White Mountain Annex, Workforce Solutions has moved into the former marketing suite. Adult Basic Education classes and the art department will be moving before the end of December.
- Dr. Alred informed the Board that the remodel that started on November 4, 2016 has been delayed due to inaccurate measurements on the site plans.
- Dr. Alred stated that staff and faculty are preparing for the upcoming accreditation review.
- Dr. Alred reported on the dual credit decision from the Higher Education Department and the Public Education Department that limits how many course and which courses high school students would be allowed to take.
- The Board of Regents hired the search firm of Whit and Kiefer to begin the process of finding replacement candidates for System President, Steven Gamble. The firm has held a community forum and has formed a committee represented by all three campuses. Mr. John McCullough is the representative for the Ruidoso campus.
- Dr. Alred informed the Board that Bonds A, B and C passed. ENMU-Ruidoso will receive \$700,000 for the remodel of the Student Services area. Dr. Alred reported that Bond C passed by a 57% approval rating in Lincoln County and 63% state wide. Dr. Alred also mentioned that the hospital bond passed by 71%.

**REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR**

Dinah Hamilton, Department Chair of History, Humanities and Social Sciences presented the report. Ms. Hamilton reported she has a total of thirty four students in her program. Ms. Hamilton stated that she faced challenges with the Higher Education Department's credential requirements of eighteen graduate credits in their master degrees in order to teach specific courses. Teachers had to be shifted to different subjects but all were able to continue teaching the same number of hours. Ms. Hamilton reported she is one of the sponsors of Phi Theta Kappa. With the exception of one, all of the previous PTK members graduated in the spring of 2016. There were ten new members recruited. Members will be active with various community service projects.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Grants Update – Ms. Rachel Saenz reported that the Wildland Fire Science program has finished its second year courses.  
The Sierra Blanca Fire Academy will be held in December with classes being held on campus. The Academy will be used for dual enrollment where students receive certifications and college credit.  
Ms. Saenz announced Spencer Baldwin has been hired as the Wildland Fire Specialist.  
The Title V grant has purchased the retention software, Drop Guard. The program is intended to identify and contact students in need of attention. Implementation is anticipated in the Spring of 2017 and is expected to raise retention rates.
2. Marketing/Recruitment Committee Report – Ms. Coda Omness stated that retainment is up 8% and 145 students have been registered. She stated that there are fifty new applicants to register.

Ms. Omness stated that the recruitment efforts in Mescalero were originally for the teacher education program but now has expanded into other areas. Ms. Omness stated she is currently advising four students from Mescalero that are enrolled in the Wildland Fire Science program. Mr. Laroche commented that they have been meeting with Charles Riles, Head of the BIA who is encouraging the employees to obtain more education.

The Student Services staff is reaching out to students with 15 credit hours or less needed to obtain a degree in order to help them finish.

The department has been short one person and Daniel Waldo has been a great help filling in.

Ms. Omness informed the Board that she will be attending the fire academy in Arizona in March 2017 to enroll students.

3. ENMU-Ruidoso Foundation Update – Dr. Alred provided the Foundation update report. The goal for the Foundation was to raise \$20,000 to match the Title V endowment. The Foundation received a total of \$19,000 which includes a \$5,000 donation from the Ruidoso Valley Greeters and a \$1,000 from the McCune Family Foundation. The next meeting is November 29, 2016. Dr. Willard added that the scholarship reception was well attended.
4. Appropriation Update – Dr. Alred provided a report on the state appropriation trends and the loss of funding to the college. The college has responded to the loss of funding by reducing staff and faculty by attrition, reducing operating costs, placing adjunct monies on hold, and increasing tuition. Additionally, the mil levy has increased slightly.
5. Construction Update – Ms. Sheila Farquer provided the construction update on the entrance remodel. The permit was awarded and demolition had started. During the demolition it was found that the support beams in the area of the new entrance were not in the same place as stated on the plans. New drawings have to be done and resubmitted to the state. The goal is to start construction the last week of November or the first week of December.  
A rendition has been made of the proposed construction trade area remodel that all stakeholders have agreed to. The area will be converted into a lab and classroom space specific to the technical programs. In the early spring, the college will start the bidding process with hopes to start construction soon after.

#### **BUSINESS MATTERS**

1. Unrestricted Budget Adjustment Request – Ms. Farquer presented the Unrestricted Budget Adjustment Request. The BAR adjusts to reflect actual beginning balances. The BAR transfers \$550,000 from I & G fund to BR&R to fund current campus initiatives and to reflect budget decrease of 5% in state appropriations.

**Mr. Paxton moved to approve the Unrestricted Budget Adjustment Request as presented. Dr. Willard seconded the motion.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

2. 2017 – 2018 Tuition - Dr. Alred presented to the Board a request for a tuition increase. In district would increase from \$43 to \$45 or 4.65%; Out of district would increase from \$57 to \$60 or 5.26%; Out of state would increase from \$160 to \$168 or 5%.

**Dr. Willard moved to approve the tuition increase as presented. Mr. Paxton seconded the motion.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

3. Community College Board 2017 meeting calendar – Dr. Alred presented the 2017 Community College Board meeting schedule.

**Dr. Willard moved to approve the meeting calendar and noted that all dates are tentative and can change without being presented as a business item in future meetings.**

**Mr. Paxton seconded.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

4. Revision to Prior Learning Assessment Policy – Mr. Laroche presented the Prior Learning Assessment Policy for approval. The revision includes a onetime fee of \$50.00 for CPL for industry credentials; \$50.00 fee per course for course challenging and \$25.00 fee per course to CLEP a course.

**Dr. Willard moved to approve the revisions to the Prior Learning Assessment Policy as submitted. Mr. Paxton seconded.**

**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**

**CLOSED SESSION**

There were no items to be discussed during a closed session.

**BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS**

- Thanksgiving Break, November 23, 2016 to November 27, 2016
- ENMU-Ruidoso Foundation Board Meeting, November 29, 2016, 5:00 p.m., Conference room
- Student Art Exhibit, November 29, 2016 – December 2, 2016, White Mountain Annex
- ENMU-Portales Board of Regents Meeting, December 8, 2016, 3:00 p.m., Roswell
- The National Society of Leadership and Success Induction Ceremony, December 9, 2016, 5:30 p.m., White Mountain Annex
- ENMU-Ruidoso Christmas Party, December 9, 2016, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Dream Catchers
- ENMU-Ruidoso Community Choir Winter Concert, December 11, 2016, 3:00 p.m., First Christian Church
- Winter Break, December 23, 2016 to January 1, 2017

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Paxton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Dr. Willard seconded the motion.

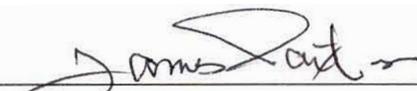
**Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.**



Brad Treptow  
Chairman, Community College Board

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Date



James Paxton  
Secretary, Community College Board

2-02-17

Date

Respectfully submitted for approval by:  
Marla Romero, Administrative Assistant to Dr. Clayton Alred