Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MAY 6, 2021

5 p.m.

Meeting conducted In Person and via Microsoft Teams

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Treptow called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. and declared a quorum. Members present included Brad Treptow, James Paxton, Gina Klinekole and Marla Frye-Romero. Member Justin Huffmon was not present.

ROUTINE MATTERS

Introduction of Guests

Chair Treptow asked President Trosper to introduce guests attending the meeting. President Trosper introduced Dr Patrice Caldwell (attending via Teams), Steve Lestarjette, Kevin Birk, Dr Karen Massey, Coda Omness and Rhonda Vincent.

Public Comments

There were no requests to address the Community College Board.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Treptow called for a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting.

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero

Second: Ms. Klinekole

Vote: 4-0

Approval of March 18, 2021 Minutes

Chair Treptow called for a motion to approve the minutes of March 18, 2021, which includes a request that an incorrect date on page three of the minutes be revised.

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero Second: Ms. Klinekole

Vote: 4-0

Report of ENMU System Chancellor

Dr Caldwell said she was grateful that the college was able to have more inperson meetings, and she was looking forward to seeing ENMU-Ruidoso friends in person at Commencement.

Report of the Foundation Director

Director Rhonda Vincent reported that the Foundation had purchased gift cards of \$40 for each ENMU-Ruidoso and ENMU-Portales graduate participating in the college's spring Commencement on May 13, and the college was again selling honor cords to graduates as a way to support the Foundation's scholarship programs. She said that plans for the 2021 Aim High fundraising event are progressing well, and sponsorship to date had surpassed sponsorships for all previous years. She is working with BBVA to provide an opportunity for individuals to support the Foundation through proceeds derived from using their BBVA debit cards.

Report of the Community College Board Chair

Chair Treptow said he was happy to be meeting in person once again. He was grateful for progress made on the new facility through Nexus Phase 2, and was anticipating the day when the community would be able to access and appreciate the new space. He said he was looking forward to Commencement, saying that the previous Commencements during his tenure had been very "personal" events.

Report of President

President Trosper noted that the meeting was the first "in person" board meeting in the new facility. He spoke of his meeting with the Mescalero Tribal Council a week prior where he talked about a proposed Cyber Range, construction trades and other opportunities for the Tribe and college. He noted that the college had not experienced a single new case of COVID-19 since the CCB's last meeting in March.

Chair Treptow complemented the President and college for being "nimble" in its response to community needs and able to assist with a Ruidoso Area Job Fair on May 10. He spoke positively of the college's CNA students interacting with colleagues at the Lincoln County Medical Center, and the great job of instructor Ashley Prelo with a recent English in the Workforce class.

INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

Amendment to Policies

President Ryan Trosper and Dr Caldwell described two policies recently revised and approved by ENMU Regents: the System's Sick Leave Bank and Title 9.

Chair Treptow called for a motion to accept and ratify changes to the System's Sick Leave Bank.

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero Second: Ms. Klinekole

Vote: 4-0

Chair Treptow called for a motion to accept and ratify changes to the System's Title 9 policy.

Motion:

Ms. Frye-Romero

Second:

Mr Paxton

Vote:

4-0

Strategic Plan Update: Goal 3—Community Ready

President Trosper noted that the college had applied for and was waiting to hear about a Next Gen 50 Grant that would help the Community Development Office expand services to older adults in Lincoln County. He reported that the seventh edition of Elevations, the college's newsletter, was now being distributed to all homes in Lincoln County and Mescalero. He noted that the college was cohosting a Ruidoso Area Job Fair scheduled for May 10 at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track Turf Room. He said the college was working to coordinate Year 1 of a Perkins Grant with area school districts, and the Community Development Office had worked with the Village of Ruidoso's Tourism department to host a web event for small businesses. He said the college had interviewed candidates for the Recruiter/Tribal Liaison position, and hoped to have the position filled before fall.

Summer and Fall 2021 Semester Update

President Trosper said the college was watching state guidelines and trying to determine how the college would open to students and the public in the fall. He said the college would bring all employees back on June 1, and had plans to reopen to the public safely on July 6. He said the Department of Higher Education would issue new guidelines at the end of May.

Nexus Phase II and Phase III Update

The President and Dr Karen Massey, Chief Business Officer, reported that the college had received a certificate of substantial completion from the contractor for Nexus Phase II, but the punch list of final items was only 70-percent completed. Dr Massey said furniture was arriving. The project is now five weeks past the targeted completion date, but the college feels it is on track to move into office in the space by June 1

President Trosper said that Phase 3 funds, which were approved by voters in November 2020, have several more rounds of approvals to go before the college can begin working on the project, a new facade for the building. He said the college would likely not be able to begin construction until September, and the college was studying the best time to begin the work in order to cause the least interruption in learning.

President Trosper called on Steve Lestarjette, Chief External Affairs Officer, who gave an overview of the spring Commencement, scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Budget Update for FY 2021-2022

President Trosper said NM state legislature had awarded college employees a 1.5 percent salary increase for the coming FY year Along with that increase, he said ENMU Regents had approved an additional one percent, for an overall 2.5

percent salary increase. Further, he reported that the college was working to raise minimum salaries to \$15 per hour, which affected four employees, and likewise raise the pay of several others who are near that pay level.

Property Acquisition

President Trosper said that the original timeline of state required approvals was altered when the college could not present to the Higher Education Department and the State Board of Finance simultaneously in the same month. He said the college would present to the HED in June and the SBOF in July, which would push the purchase of Sierra Mall back to late July or August.

2021 CCB Election Dates and Information

Steve Lestarjette reported that Positions 2 and 3, held by James Paxton and Gina Klinekole, respectively, were up for election in November 2021. He said the deadline for candidates to file for election was August 24. The 2021 election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2.

ACTION ITEMS

Budget Adjustment Request

Chair Treptow called for a motion to approve the budget adjustment request recommended by administration for FTY 2020-2021, to adjust the budget to reflect actual operations..

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero Second: Ms. Klinekole

Vote: 4-0

Approval of CAE Cybersecurity Workforce Development Certificate

Chair Treptow requested for a motion to approve a CAE Cybersecurity Workforce Development Certificate as recommended by administration.

Motion: Ms. Klinekole Second: Mr Paxton

Vote: 4-0

Approval of Updated Five-Year Capital Projects Plan

Chair Treptow calls for a motion to approve a revised Five-Year Capital Projects Plan, which prioritizes HVAC replacements, parking lot renovations, and plans to construct new workforce training space in the alley behind the college.

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero Second: Ms. Klinekole

Vote: 4-0

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT AND COMMENTS

Chair Treptow reported that spring Commencement will be May 13 at Inn of the Mountain Gods; the campus would be closed May 31 for Memorial Day; summer classes would begin June 7; the campus would be closed July 5 for Independence Day; fall classes begin August 17; and the next regular CCB meeting would be held August 26.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

Ms. Frye-Romero

Second:

Ms. Klinekole

Vote:

4-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Brad Treptow

Chairman, Community College Board

Date

James Paxton

Secretary, Community College Board

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Date

Submitted for approval by:

Steve Lestarjette, Chief External Affairs Officer