# Eastern New Mexico University – Ruidoso Branch Community College Board Regular Meeting ENMU-Ruidoso Campus, Room 209 November 16, 2022 • 5:00 p.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Brad Treptow called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. 4 of 5 members were present. Present members included Mr. Brad Treptow, Mr. Murray Murphy, Ms. Romelia Carr, and Ms. Marla Frey-Romero, Absent was the vacancy of one position. A quorum was declared with 4 of 5 members present.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Treptow led the pledge of allegiance.

### APPROVE THE AGENDA

Approval of the board meeting Agenda.

Motion:

Ms. Frye-Romero

Seconded:

Mr. Murphy

Vote:

4-0

Motion:

Motion passed to approve the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF August 25, 2022, MEETING MINUTES

Motion:

Mr. Murphy

Seconded:

Ms. Frve-Romero

Vote:

4-0

Motion:

Motion passed to approve August 25, 2022, meeting minutes.

# APPROVAL OF September 19, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes

Motion:

Ms. Frye-Romero

Seconded:

Mr. Murphy

Vote:

4-0

Motion: Motion passed to approve September 19, 2022, special meeting minutes

# **ROUTINE MATTERS**

## **Public Comment**

No one was present for public comment.

## Report from ENMU System Chancellor

Chancellor Caldwell gave a brief update on the ENMU System and thanked the Community College Board for their support of the system over her time as Chancellor.

# Report from ENMU-Ruidoso Community College Board Chair

Board Chair Treptow discussed briefly the successes of the fall semester including the property acquisition, enrollment, and soon to be completed construction.

## Report from ENMU-Ruidoso Foundation Director

The Foundation Report was included in the President's Report.

## Report from ENMU-Ruidoso President

President Trosper gave an update beginning with discussion of HVAC replacement that is expected to be completed in December. This will bring the campus to all HVAC units being replaced in the past two years. Next, he discussed Certified Nursing Assistant testing and having the ability to administer the test on campus

and the benefits to students. Finally, the campus is re-starting Phi Theta Kappa, which is the honor society for two-year colleges. Thanks to Cleo Mow and Trinese Bolding for their work on this effort.

### INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

## Operating Agreement

Mr. Ryan Trosper presented the 2021-2023 ENMU-Ruidoso/ ENMU-Portales Operating Agreement for discussion. This agreement is bi-annual and explains the relationship between ENMU-Ruidoso and ENMU-Portales. Of note in the agreement are giving the Campus President hiring and termination authority for the Ruidoso campus, budget authority for the Community College Board, and curriculum flexibility for the Ruidoso Campus. This agreement will be brought to a future meeting as an action item for the 2023-2025 years.

### **Tuition Consideration**

Mr. Ryan Trosper presented potential considerations of tuition for the upcoming year. He stated that as ENMU-Ruidoso continues to expand an option for program development is through increases in tuition. Shown to the board were a few options to consider regarding tuition. Board Chair Treptow asked about the percent difference and the number of students potentially affected. At a future meeting this may be brought back to the community college board for potential action.

### Capital Bond and Mill Levy Consideration

Mr. Ryan Trosper discussed the possibility of initiating a capital bond and/or mill levy changes for the 2023 election year. Mr. Murphy stated the importance of understanding taxing considerations and recommended bringing in bond council to discuss specifics. Chair Treptow expressed the importance of messaging to the community to explain no new tax for potential bond, potential programs for the property acquisition and bond options. Ms. Frye-Romero stated concerns about the amount of tax collected being a higher amount than is traditionally received in Lincoln County. President Trosper noted the comments and is working on potential board retreat to bring bond council to have discussion with Community College Board.

# **Campus Planning and Strategic Planning Updates**

Ms. Robin DeMott and Mr. Ryan Trosper gave a brief update about campus planning and strategic planning reminding the board that the current strategic plan will be ending in 2023. Additionally, they shared progress made towards the current strategic plan including successes working with the Village of Ruidoso and Mescalero Apache Tribe.

## 2023 Legislative Session Priorities

Mr. Ryan Trosper explained to the board the priorities for ENMU-Ruidoso for the upcoming legislative session including capital outlay requests for exterior improvements, safety and security, electric vehicle charging stations, and campus backup power. Additionally, programmatic asks are being made for nursing and athletics. The total amount requested is around \$1.25 million.

## Report of Actuals

Mr. Tony Major, Interim ENMU System CFO, gave the board an update on the report of actuals. Each year the New Mexico Higher Education Department requires an annual financial report comparing operating budgets with the year-end actual. Mr. Major explained that ENMU-Ruidoso had actual revenues of \$4.67 million and expenditures of \$3.88 million for 2021-2022.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Honoring of Dr. Caldwell for service to ENMU-Ruidoso with resolution

ENMU- Ruidoso supports a resolution for her service to the ENMU System and ENMU-Ruidoso over her career and wishes her well in her upcoming retirement.

Motion:

Mr. Murphy

Seconded:

Ms. Frye-Romero

Vote:

4-0

Motion:

Motion passed.

### 2. Position 3 Board Member Candidate Selection

Chair Treptow gave a recommendation to the Community College board on Rachel Rosillo filling the position 3 board vacancy. Note that Ms. Rosillo will be sworn in at an upcoming meeting.

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero

Seconded: Ms. Carr Vote: 4-0

Motion: Motion passed.

## 3. 2023 Community College Board Meetings

Proposed regular meeting dates for the Community College Board were discussed. At the recommendation of Member Carr dates for 2023 will be changed to Tuesday's and include the following dates. January 7-workshop, February 14, March 21-budget workshop, April 11, August 22, and November 14.

Motion: Mr. Murphy
Seconded: Ms. Frye-Romero

Vote: 4-0

Motion: Motion passed.

# 4. Budget Adjustment Request

Mr. Ryan Trosper explained the budget adjustment request including an increase in capital outlay revenue and expenses to account for the property acquisition and a transfer to move available funds to the capital outlay balance to account for ongoing construction.

Motion: Ms. Carr Seconded: Mr. Murphy

Vote: 4-0

Motion: Motion passed.

### **BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS**

- November 29- ENMU-Ruidoso Native American Heritage Celebration
- November 29- ENMU Special Board of Regents Meeting
- December 2- ENMU-Ruidoso Community Art Show Reception
- December 9- ENMU-Ruidoso Holiday Party
- December 9- ENMU Board of Regents Meeting

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Ms. Frye-Romero Seconded: Mr. Murphy

Vote: 4-0

Motion: Motion passed to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

**Brad Treptow** 

Chairman, Community College Board

Marla Frye-Romero

Secretary, Community College Board

Date

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