



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

February 26, 2024

Members Present: Brenda Alcalá, Jennifer Babcock, April Clayton, Bianca Ebreo, Daryl Ferguson, Jessica Gilmore, Don Gurnard, President Faimous Harrison, Beverly Jagla, Jorden Jessup, Barry Leahy, Ron Lodge, Lyle Markhart, Brett Peterson, Cathy Rixey, Steven Wilkinson, Joshua Wood

Members Absent: Xavier Arinez, Kathy Coffman, Chelsea Ewer, Bárbara Guzmán, Bryce Mackay, Danielle Marchant

Staff Present: Lupe Brito, Rachel Evey, Ellora La Shier, Brenda Magaña-Galvan, Mireya Sanchez, Emily Scovill

CALL TO ORDER 12:00pm

1) CONSENT AGENDA

- A. January 2024 Minutes approved by consent without changes.
- B. Committee Report – Reminder that the Numerica Checking account will be closed by committee vote, as it has fulfilled its purpose for the Zacher gift. Committee will be focusing on the auditor RFP this year and postpone exploring banking services.

2) BOARD EDUCATION

Concurrent Enrollment – *Maria Christina Monroe*

- A. Presentation on courses and options available to high school students through WVC. There are three programs: College in the High School, Running Start, and Career and Technical Education. Discussion regarding difference between College in the High School (concurrent enrollment where student only at the high school campus and class offerings are limited) and Running Start (students are part-time or full-time enrollment at WVC). List of partner schools provided, as well as discussion of 4-year institutions that run similar programs that WVC competes with. Career and Technical Education (CTE) offered as another option for enrollment.

3) REPORT FROM THE COLLEGE - *President Harrison*

- A. Updates regarding legislation for higher ed. An on-campus luncheon was held to discuss resources for funding and support of college in the high school-type programs. Discussion regarding how this legislation can impact students on both campuses. Utilizing existing infrastructure and being creative with transportation for current and incoming students is another priority.

4) TREASURER'S REPORT – *Brenda Magaña-Galvan*

- A. Operating Income Statement- Under budget by ~\$26K mostly due to timing of GG&A and those requests.
- B. Income Statement Per Restrictions- Net income ~\$1.3M, increase over prior period of ~\$600K, mostly due to the Pixieann Zacher Kalcic estate gift.
- C. Balance Sheet- no major activity

- D. Monthly Gift Report- January gifts will be updated once all delayed funds from NFG have been disbursed to us.

5) OLD BUSINESS

- A. Debrief: Knight at the Wild- Overall feedback was good. WVC brought over 450 people to the game. Concourse tabling, puck drop, and intermission show were well-received. Recommendation to have intermission more encouraging. Omak turnout was also high, with bus cost shared between the college and foundation. Foundation did take a small loss on ticket sales, but it allowed us to get more students to attend. Due to lack of engagement at foundation table, recommendation not table in future and focus on utilizing suite for donor engagement.

6) NEW BUSINESS

- A. Action: Endowment Allocation- reviewed by Budget and Finance and Executive committees. Both committees recommended and approved the 2024-25 endowment spending rate of 5%. This is the first allocation with the updated endowment spending possible, with the rolling average balance calculated on 20 quarters instead of 12.

Motion from Jordan Jessup to approve the 5% spending rate. Second from Ron Lodge. Motion passed without dissent or abstention.

- B. Board Recommendations- Discussion regarding board vacancy and recruitment. Recommendations will be approved by the end of this academic year and the term will begin in August at the board retreat.
- C. Full Board Retreat- No retreat was held in 2023 due to delay in college strategic plan and staff capacity. Recommendation to have the full board retreat in August to align with preparation for the academic year. The 2024 retreat will be August 15, as approved by Executive Committee. Board members can expect a calendar invite to save the date.

7) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Rachel Evey

- A. Athletics Fundraising- Multiple events planned this year, with the foundation's assistance on the administrative side of things. Two large events will need more foundation involvement: Hall of Fame Dinner and Auction (September) and Native American Classic basketball tournament (December).
- B. Alumni Activity- Valentine's Day bouquet raffle ticket sales were an even split between board sales and public purchases from social media marketing. Distinguished Alumni Award nominations are open until March 29. Board members encouraged to share social media content to spread awareness.
- C. Headshot Day- Wenatchee campus will be April 11 in Mish ee twee 1105. Board members encouraged to attend to get a new headshot.
- D. Winter Scholarship Cycle- Rollover application resulted in increased awarding and seems to have worked out well for many students. Over 50 students updated their previous applications, increasing their scores. Program is on track to have another record-breaking year for total awards.
- E. Upcoming Events
 - i. Business After Hours – Feb. 29 – reminder to board volunteers to be present at 4:45pm. Lupe Brito will be making sure all volunteers are positioned at the various stations where assistance is needed to run activities.
 - ii. Piatigorsky Foundation Concert – March 20 tentative- waiting on confirmation from the Piatigorsky Foundation.

- iii. Annual Foundation Celebration – May 9 – Development Committee meeting on March 6 will kick off planning. All board members are welcome to attend if they'd like to be involved with planning.
 - iv. Do Good Drink Beer by the Taproom at Hellbent Brewing in Pybus - April 6 – Portion of proceeds from the day will go to the foundation. The Development Committee will be meeting there for their regular monthly meeting.
- F. Out of Office: March 4-22- Rachel Evey will be out of the office during this time. Mireya Sanchez will be the executive in her absence.

ADJOURNMENT at 1:31pm

Minutes taken by Mireya Sanchez