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LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes - MAY 11, 2005

1) Attendance

Chair Paul Holman called the meeting of the Lane Community College Board of Education to order at 6:35 p.m. Present were: Board Members Jay Bozievich, Roger Hall, Mike Rose, Kathleen Shelley, and Dennis Shine. Also present were President Mary Spilde, Vice Presidents Sonya Christian and Marie Matsen, Executive Assistant to the President Tracy Simms; College Counsel Meg Kieran; Lane Community College Education Association President Jim Salt; Lane Community College Employees Federation President Bob Baldwin, and Associated Students of Lane Community College President Tony McCown. Board Member Larry Romine was absent.

2) President's Report

President Mary Spilde recommended that the administration draft a letter to be signed by the board chair and vice chair advocating for support of the proposed funding distribution formula. The board received an excerpt from Oregon Business Magazine, "Powerful Solutions for Oregon's Economic Recovery" and notes from the Strategic Conversation held in April.

We have a guest with us today, Paul Binney from New Zealand. Paul will be spending the next couple of days with Lane staff to find out how we approach some issues. I would like to give him an opportunity to tell us a little bit about his college in New Zealand, Northland Polytechnic.

Having just completed our first budget committee meeting of the year, I won't go into detail about the budget. However, I should provide a brief update about where we are. There have been no significant changes since we last met. The last projection approved by the board was based on \$415M. The Community College Workforce Development Department then provided figures based on \$416M, so that is what we used for the proposed budget.

Things are quite tense in the Capitol at the moment and, while the figures continue to go in the right direction, it has been suggested to us that the best thing we can do right now is to stay out of the Capitol so that we don't mess it up!

The funding distribution formula is going through the Administrative Rule process and there will be a hearing on May 16. We will be sending a letter expressing our support for the formula as proposed. In the long run it will benefit the college as it will equalize the amount per FTE every college receives from public resources.

The proposed budget is basically a maintenance of effort budget with no new recurring items other than contractual agreements. Over the course of the next few weeks, there will be changes to the proposed budget as things become clearer leading up to a budget hearing in June and a recommendation to the board. I wanted to take a moment and share with you our Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) chapter's success at the most recent regional convention. Our officers won a total of 13 awards, tying our best performance ever. We had distinguished officers, literary awards, and won the coveted leadership award for best overall leadership program. The induction will be on Friday, May 20th, from 6-8pm, in the Student Life and Leadership room, located in the Students First building. A silent auction and some socializing will lead into the formal induction which is an opportunity to recognize all the members' academic achievements. I hope you will consider joining us for this event. Thanks to Chris Culver who advises the PTK students.

Our Forensics team participated in the National Individual Events Tournament in Kansas City. There is a rigorous qualifying procedure to attend this tournament, and Lane's team was one of 95 competing. This speaks highly of the quality of our students and their coach, Andrew Kemp, who just completed his first year as a faculty member at the college.

We are about to do an assessment on the College Governance System. Based on my own experience and after meeting with the chairs and co-chairs of the councils, I am relatively pleased with the progress to date. Of course, the system is still in its infancy, but I think you will see that much work has been accomplished.

Perhaps in July, Jim and I, as chair and co-chair of the College Council, will be able to provide a summary report.

I attended the League for Innovation Board Meeting last week. It was a really good meeting with many ideas exchanged. I took forward the work we are doing on Sustainability, which you heard about at the last meeting. There was a lot of excitement, and there is a plan for us to host representatives from each of the League colleges at Lane to talk about best practices and perhaps put together a consortium to develop a grant proposal to support this work.

A couple of weeks ago I had the distinct pleasure of visiting Stan Taylor's classroom to notify one of our students, Ephraim Paine, that he had received the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke scholarship. You will recall that Alex San Pedro won it last year and is now attending the Pratt Institute of Art in New York. Twenty five scholars were selected from 791 applicants. We are very proud of Ephraim. He will be attending the University of Oregon in the fall.

Athletics would like to announce the hiring of Shane Dasher as the Head Coach for the women's soccer program. Shane is an Ohio native who played three years of college soccer, as well two years professionally with the Cleveland Force of the Major Indoor Soccer League. Shane has also played internationally in Japan, Mozambique, South Africa, and Sudan. He has over 20 years of soccer experience as a player and coach. Shane has also received a National Diploma from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Spilde acknowledged Lane's Outstanding Student Scholars for 2005, Tony McCown and Layla Uluam. In addition, Tony McCown and Jeremy Riel were commended and presented with certificates for being nominated All-USA Academic Scholars sponsored by USA Today.

Graduation is June 11. I look forward to seeing you at this joyous occasion.

3) Board Agenda Review/Changes

Discussion/Action item 3-C, President's Evaluation and Contract Process, was moved to 3-E, and 3-E, ASLCC Election Results was moved to 3-C. New item 3-F, Funding Formula, was added to the agenda.

4) Statements from Audience

- Brandy Minogue, co-chair of OSPIRG and newly-elected member of ASLCC, advocated for OSPIRG's reaffirmation during the student election process.
- Jeremy Riel, newly-elected ASLCC president, described the student election process and encouraged the board to affirm the election results.

5) Consent Agenda

Holman corrected the minutes relating to his board statement at the April meeting. Rose moved to approve the consent agenda. Bozievich seconded.

- Approval of April 13, 2005, Amended Minutes

Motion carried 6-0.

6) Resolution No. 497, Support of Affordable Textbooks

Hall moved to adopt Resolution No. 497, Support of Affordable Textbooks. Rose seconded.

Board members revised the following sentence to read:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education at Lane Community College calls upon the ~~College~~ **Faculty** to give preference to the least costly textbook option when the educational content ~~is equal~~ **fulfills the educational needs**.

Hall moved to approve amended Resolution No. 497. Rose seconded.

Motion carried 6-0.

7) Funding Report on Intercollegiate Athletics

Associate Vice President Patrick Lanning and Athletic Director Sean Mondragon gave a summary on the Funding Report on Intercollegiate Athletics and responded to board questions.

Mary thanked the staff and community for their intercollegiate athletics fundraising support.

8) ASLCC Election Results

Rose moved to approve the proposed ASLCC election results regarding the ballot measures for athletics. Bozievich seconded.

Motion carried 6-0.

Hall moved to approve the ballot measure for OSPIRG. Rose seconded.

Motion carried 6-0.

Note: The student activity fee will increase from \$39 to \$42.75/student/term.

9) Veterans Benefits

Background information from the April meeting: The Oregon Community College Association requested information from each college regarding tuition waiver programs for National Guard and Reserve members returning from Iraq. This is a result of a request from Governor Kulongoski to the Legislature to pass a bill to give tuition waivers to these military personnel. At least three Oregon community colleges have passed resolutions to provide special tuition waivers, with many others discussing options. After the board discussed

whether it is feasible to offer a tuition waiver to returning National Guard and Reserve members in Lane County, it directed the administration to research and draft a recommendation for board approval for the May meeting.

Shine moved to approve the following recommendation. Shelley seconded.

Bozievich recommended adding the word "Oregon" before "Army National Guard and Reservists" to read: To approve the recommendation that Lane Community College offer a one-term six-credit tuition waiver for **Oregon** Army National Guard and Reservists who were involuntarily activated since September 11, 2001. This will go into effect Summer 2005. Students will be expected to use military benefits first.

Amended motion carried 6-0.

10) President's Evaluation and Contract Process

Spilde reviewed the president's evaluation and contract process. The process begins in May and will be reviewed and discussed in June.

Bozievich moved to approve the process for the president's evaluation. Rose seconded.

Motion passed 6-0.

11) Funding Formula

By the end of May, the state board will act on the funding distribution formula. Spilde recommended that the board direct staff to prepare a letter supporting the funding distribution formula to be signed by the board chair and vice chair and sent to the state board.

Shelley moved, to direct the administration to prepare a letter on behalf of the board to be approved and signed by the board chair and vice chair and sent to the state board of higher education for their consideration. Rose seconded.

Motion carried 6-0.

12) Benchmark

Craig Taylor reviewed the following Benchmark:

- Percent of Recent High School Grads Attending Lane

13) Financial Condition and Activities: Quarterly Report, Policy A.050

Matsen reviewed the Financial Condition and Activities' Quarterly Report.

14) Reports

Board Member Jay Bozievich noted that Bruce Miller passed away; he was a frequent visitor to Lane board meetings and a strong advocate for Lane. The Lane Economic Committee discussed the consolidation of Monaco Coach's Bend and Eugene plant. Eugene represents 10 percent of the recreational vehicle market compared to 80 percent in Iowa.

ASLCC President Tony McCown said students continue to lobby for the Oregon Opportunity Grant and for a tuition freeze. He thanked Kathleen Shelley for her gift and the administration and board for their support during his term as student body president.

LCCEF President Bob Baldwin announced his state appointment as vice president for political affairs to the American Federation of Teachers. Baldwin made several lobbying trips to Salem during the past month. Two classified employees withdrew from Council appointments due to workload issues. Workload continues to be a conflict for those who want to serve on committees and still complete their job. Staff are concerned that if enrollment increases, while staffing remains level, substantially higher workloads will result. Management involvement in employee medical exams and the Health Clinic expansion are additional reasons for concern.

LCCEA President Jim Salt welcomed newly-hired Associate Vice President (AVP) for Instruction Patrick Lanning and wished Tony McCown well in his future endeavors. Although the bargaining process has been quite collaborative, a subgroup has been created to keep work moving forward. One of the key developments is addressing the union's economic packages. Salt reviewed bargaining items and strongly encouraged the board to consider LCCEA's "rational package."

Vice President Sonya Christian shared these highlights from the full report. AVP Patrick Lanning joins the Instructional Student Services Leadership Team. Christian commented on the enjoyable working relationship she had with Tony McCown and congratulated Jeremy Riel and Sarah Sumner as newly-elected ASLCC president and vice president. She commended the Spring Conference planning committee for their work: Tim Craig, Jerry Ross, Anne McGrail, Gloria Vanderhorst, and Sonja McKean. The Cooperative Education Program named King Retail Solutions of Eugene as 2005 Employer of the Year. International students Pema Chhophyel from Bhutan and Nathan Gue from Haiti, both received \$15,000 scholarships.

Vice President Marie Matsen attended KLCC's kickoff campaign to purchase the Wings Building. She complimented Tony McCown, student government representatives, and welcomed Jeremy Riel and his new government. Matsen received ASLCC's letter of support for Talloires, an international declaration with worldwide signators and post-secondary institutions committed to sustainable operations and incorporating sustainable principles into learning.

Board Members

Roger Hall attended the Foundation's quarterly meeting and designated its members unsung heroes who work tirelessly on behalf of the college. The Foundation's endowment totals over \$8M and continues to raise funds for student scholarships. Hall expressed frustration at the hours spent developing Lane's budget according to state statute for approval by June 1, while knowing that state funding may be uncertain until after June 1.

Mike Rose commended Tony McCown for his ASLCC leadership and for his effort in leading students in the lobbying effort at the legislature. Rose will attend an OCCA board meeting on May 20. He asked Steve Barton, KLCC director, to give a brief summary of the kick-off event to purchase the Wings Building . Barton said it was well attended with good community support. One million dollars, or half the amount, has been raised so far. A donor wall is planned.

Dennis Shine reported that Larry Romine was not able to attend the board meeting due to illness. He thanked Tony McCown for his student leadership. Shine attended Don Addison's American Indian class and presented a Wayne Shields student scholarship at Thurston High School. Educational issues were discussed at a Lane Council of Governments meeting he attended.

Kathleen Shelley attended the Advisory Committees Gala and the Student Scholar Awards Ceremony in Salem, which was held for the first time on the floor of the House of Representatives. Noche Cultural will hold its annual fundraiser for Centro LatinoAmericano in May.

Paul Holman announced that a Tsunami program to raise community awareness will be held on May 17; it will be hosted by Lane Community College in Florence and the City of Florence . The keynote speaker will be Vice President Sonya Christian.

President Spilde said a Strategic Conversation to discuss economic development will precede the June 8 board meeting.

15) Date, Place, and Proposed Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting

Wednesday, June 8, 2005, Boardroom, Building 3, Lane Community College.

16) The board meeting unanimously adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Paul Holman, Chair

Mary Spilde, President/District Clerk