

B. President's Report

I'd like to welcome new ASLCC President Keely Blyleven. I'd also like to welcome our new vice president of academic and student affairs, Dr. Paul Jarrell.

Two of our students passed last month. Robert Phillips, a student in Culinary Arts and Alexander Pendergast, a student in Aviation Maintenance. Please join me in a moment of silence in their memory.

I would like to thank everyone who offered to help our students with the purchase of a cap and gown, including Board Chair Rosie Pryor. More than 20 people, from all employee groups, stepped up to cover the cost of a cap and gown for students in need.

We held our inaugural induction ceremony for Sigma Chi Eta/Beta Delta Chapter, the honor society for students in communications. Four students were inducted. Many thanks to their faculty and advisor, Laura Pelletier.

We honored long-time employees and said farewell to our retirees at the Employee Recognition Celebration on May 30. We honored 42 retirees, and 94 10, 20, and 30-year employees.

Last month we presented Faculty Recognition Awards to Liz Novicky of Nursing; Deborah Hermach of Communications; and Cara DiMarco of Women in Transitions; and to Classified Employees-- Adam Hammel of Culinary Arts, and Shelby Allread of ESL.

I had the pleasure of attending the faculty piano recital by Hung-Yun [HONE-won] Chu and Sandy Holder this month. This recital was a testament to the world class music education provided at Lane.

We have had many end-of-year events in the past month, with a few more to go. I'd like to thank everyone who put out extra effort to celebrate our graduates, and each other. There are too many to mention but I will call out a few—

- KLCC held its annual Fundraiser.
- The LCC Foundation held its President's Circle Event– I took a sword to my first co-quon bush. Shout out to Chef Clive and his students who prepared the elaborate food and displays.

Events Celebrating Student Success:

- Reading from our Oregon Poet Laureate Elizabeth Woody
- The Works student dance concert
- Student Union Fair
- Chemistry Club guest speaker who started her own brewing company and how she developed space beer
- Science Undergraduate Research Fair
- Music Students Showcase
- BSU's We Are Eugene Event
- Acting Showcase
- Jazz concert
- Early Childhood Potluck
- Lane Choirs
- Florence Scholarship Night-\$59,000 in Scholarships to students from Florence

Upcoming This Month:

- Pinning ceremonies for the Nursing and Dental programs
- First alumni gatherings for the Nursing and Dental nursing and dental programs

Outreach Events and Meetings:

- Career Pathways summit in Salem
- Eugene Climate Action Shareholder Meeting
- Oregon President's Council and OCCA
- Welcome reception for Sentinel CyberSecurity; I met our apprentices who are participating in the new Apprenti program to train underemployed adults in cyber security
- Prefontaine Classic; LCC is being considered to host this event next year
- Pacific University Partnership meeting
- Otago Polytech Team- visited us from New Zealand to finalize an agreement with our graphics program
- Oregon Community Credit Union President Ron Neumann – one of our longstanding donors
- Register-Guard publisher Shanna Cannon – maintaining a strong relationship with the RG

Government Relations - Mike Eyster and I met with commissioner candidate Joe Berney along with Brian Kelly and Paul Jarrell Eugene to discuss future initiatives with Springfield.

I attended the Forces of Change Meeting with Leaders of Lane County to discuss the urgency in bringing fiscal change to Oregon.

LCC Recognition:

I'm proud to say that the new CNO (chief nursing officer) at RiverBend, Heather Wall, is a graduate of Lane's nursing program.

Retired CIT faculty member Bob Barber is working with the AACC Council for the Study of Community Colleges to increase participation by community college faculty. This earned him the prestigious Arthur Cohen and Florence Brawer Distinguished Service Award for scholarship and research.

Titan Athletic Awards:

- Congratulations to our men's and women's track and field teams and their coaching staff for winning their sixth consecutive NWAC track and field championships last month.
- The women track and field took second place.
- Men's head coach Brian Schaudt was voted Coach of the Year.

- Student-athlete Jacoby McNamara was voted the Male Track Athlete of the Meet.
- Kudos to our athletes, coaches, and athletics director Greg Sheley.

Student Success:

There have been so many reports of student success. I will share just a few.

- A survey of our 2017 Physical Therapist Assistant program grads showed a 100% employment rate within six months as entry-level PTAs. Kudos to the students and to coordinator Christina Howard.
- Two of our music graduates won a blind audition for nationally advertised positions to join the Mozart Players, a prominent Northwest orchestra. Congratulations Bashar Matti and Keiko Ota, former students in the Lane Chamber Orchestra.
- Keiko, a graduate of a Japanese music school was accepted at Northern Illinois University where she completed her graduate performance degree in violin this year. Many thanks to Hisao Watanabe- and our music faculty for their mentorship
- Kudos to Chef Shane Tracey, executive chef at King Estate Wineries and part-time baking and pastry instructor at Lane, for conducting our first Ice Cream Basics Workshop on May 26.
- Kudos to Mark Harris, Faculty counselor, appointed to the Oregon State Taskforce on Student Mental Health Support in collaboration with HECC.
- Congratulations to the faculty in our culinary program for launching a new class in food truck operations this summer. It will be taught by Chef Clive and will include operations at the weekly Concerts in the Park series at Cottage Grove's Bohemia Park. Dean Pat O'Connor and Project Specialist Wendy Milbrat gave a guest appearance on the at KNRQ 103.7 FM morning show.

Total FY18 Enrollment = 29,629

SPRING enrollment is down 2.7% in all courses

SPRING enrollment for College Now is up 4.2%

SUMMER total unduplicated headcount in all courses is down 0.2% (1,964 headcount).

Student Outreach:

Last month we heard student leaders talk to us about ongoing struggles with our students and asked us to listen to them and help.

I launched a listening program this month called 4P—Pizza, Pepsi and Popcorn with the President—as a way to reach out to students. We had our first event on June 6 in the Haugland Commons. Over 150 students joined me, our vice presidents and staff to eat some pizza and talk. This event will be held the fourth week of every term as a way for students to share their experiences at Lane. Thanks to our new student body leadership and Leanne Guthrie for helping organize this event.

Media:

Great features in local news this month:

- A story on KMTR TV about our aviation maintenance program
- KEZI's Skills to Work series- a feature on Diesel Technology, welding and fabrication technology
- Thanks to Pat O'Connor, Andy McNamara and Joan Ascham for helping us get the word out about Lane
- On a more somber note, was the 20th anniversary remembrance of the 1998 shooting at Thurston High. Thanks to board member Tony McCown for his thoughtful remembrance in interviews.

Summer Friday Closures:

A reminder that we will be closed on Fridays June 29 through August 31.

Commencement:

Commencement is this Saturday on Bristow Square at 11 a.m. It is the most important academic event of the year. Our keynote speakers include U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley and our student speaker is Michael Weed. We are graduating more than 1,240 students this spring who earned 2,110 associate degrees and certificates. Our youngest graduate is 18 and our oldest graduate is 68. Our graduates represent over 27 countries and over a dozen states. Christina Walsh and the Graduation Committee have added some special touches to this year's event. I hope you will join me in celebrating my inaugural commencement ceremony with our faculty and students.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to thank our Board Chair, Rosie Pryor, for her leadership in an extraordinary year as Board Chair. Rosie, it has been an honor working with you. Please accept this token of our appreciation for your endless support and commitment to the board and to Lane Community College.

1) Personnel

The college's current personnel appointments were presented.

C. Board Agenda Review/Changes

Keating added Discussion/Action Item 3G, a letter to Senator Merkley.

D. Statements from the Audience

Lynn Songer, GIS instructor, offered highlights from the Geographic Information Systems program.

Kim Meyers, GIS graduate, talked about her success in the GIS program. She moved on to the University of Oregon after graduating from Lane. She received recognition for her GIS work and will be graduating from UO this spring.

Anthony Hampton, Counselor, offered highlights from the Counseling program. The total number of student contacts this year was 6,925, with personal counseling being the number one reason for visits. He distributed information on Counseling services.

Zion Kaleckow, student, discussed a Writing 122 project in which students researched and wrote about retention challenges facing students at Lane.

Amadeo Rehbein, student, discussed barriers that keep students from succeeding, including instances of faculty harassing students.

Jim Salt, LCCEA President, addressed last month's board discussion of Mary Spilde's PERS pension. He appreciated the discussion but was surprised that there was no discussion regarding the accumulation of vacation days. He encouraged the board to investigate the situation and report back to the community.

Lori Tapahonso, Native American Program Coordinator, stated that she was excited to come to Lane and make it her new home. She plans to strengthen the program and increase the retention rate for Native American students.

2. Consent Agenda

Eyster moved, Keating seconded, to approve the consent agenda consisting of:

- A. Approval of Minutes
May 10, 2018
- B. Resolution No. 623 Authorizing Budget Transfers for 2017-18
- C. Board Policy Review
 - 1. Board Duties and Responsibilities, BP 210
 - 2. Board Committee Principles, BP 310
- D. Marketing Contract
- E. Deputy Clerks
- F. Building 16 Roof Replacement
- G. Master Plan Consultant

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion/Action Items

A. Bond Update

Brett Rowlett updated the board on the bond polling process. Patinkin Research is halfway done with the polling process. Pollers are initially showing about 50% support; after an 18-minute interview, support increases to about 59%. Voters need to be educated on the needs of the college. When considering a November 2018 election or May 2019 election, there are several factors to consider. The number of voters in May is significantly less. 4J School District will be going out for a \$375 million bond. Polling will be completed soon, and more information will be brought to the July board meeting, unless the board calls a special meeting.

B. Veterans Affairs Update

Brett Rowlett, Director of Public Affairs, updated the board on the situation with LCC's aviation programs. Oregon State Approving Agency Education Specialist Barbara Zeal is reviewing documents this week. Rowlett recently returned from a trip to Washington, D.C., where he met with others on this issue. He will schedule a call with Higher Education Coordinating Commission Ben Cannon and Zeal to get information on timelines. Staff have been writing letters to agencies and have been getting no response. We have not received any debt letters yet, but expect to receive them soon.

C President's Evaluation Process

The board discussed sending out an instrument to faculty and staff to gather feedback regarding President Hamilton's performance. Board members would also take part in the evaluation and be prepared to discuss at the July retreat. Hamilton will submit a self-evaluation and goal attainment document to board members in time for the July board meeting.

Board members discussed the timing of an evaluation as faculty are finishing up for spring term and will not be available over the summer to submit feedback. Also discussed was creating a presidential evaluation subcommittee of the board.

Keating moved to create a committee to evaluate the president's performance. Muenzer seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

D. Board Evaluation Process

They discussed the process for an evaluation and self-assessment. Members recalled taking part in an ACCT Governance Institute for Student Success evaluation and directed staff to determine availability. Staff will contact ACCT about the GISS evaluation.

E. Board Retreat Agenda

The board discussed a list of topics to add to the July 28 board retreat agenda. Topics include:

- Board Evaluation
- Programs and Services Analysis
- Review of Meeting Protocol
- Review of the College Restructuring
- Goals for 2018-19
- Committee Structure
- Process for Negotiating President's Contract
- Retention
- Outreach Centers

Keating suggested added Campus Public Safety. An overview will be held at the July board meeting. Staff will create and send out a draft agenda.

F. Provisional Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Although the board elects a chair and vice chair in July, Pryor asked that a provisional vote be held to identify the incoming chair and vice chair.

Johnston nominated McCown for board chair.

Motion passed 4 – 2.

Pryor nominated Eyster for board vice chair.

Motion passed unanimously.

The board will affirm the vote at the July board meeting.

G. Letter to Senator Merkley

Keating proposed that the board send a letter to Senator Merkley in support of his opposition of separating immigrant families at the United States border. Keating read the following letter into the record:

"Honorable Jeff A. Merkley

United States Senate

313 Hart Senate Office Building

Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Merkley,

On behalf of Oregon residents who have great disdain for these United States' draconian detention policies: Thank you for your steadfast leadership and your courageous exposure of the president's cruel "child-snatching policy." Warehousing more than 1,000 children and keeping them away from their parents in secret at privately held immigration detention centers is unacceptable.

As you have articulated so well this past week, our nation's values are about tolerance and religious freedom, a notion that is antithetical to the Trump Administration's xenophobic bullying of immigrants and the inhumane treatment of children at our border.

We thank you, Senator Merkley, for your leadership. And we fully support needed reform that reverses inhumane border policies such as detaining immigrant children.

It is our hope that your pursuit of legislation, along with Senator Ron Wyden and others, will bring a swift end to the Trump Administration's cruelty and reunite children with their families, restoring the dignity and fabric of what makes our nation so special — its diversity, opportunity, and a welcoming of peoples seeking a life free from oppression.

Sincerely,

Lane Community College Board Chair

Board members expressed support and discussed edits to the letter. With minimal edits, the board agreed to sign the letter following the board meeting and present it to Senator Merkley prior to Lane's commencement ceremony.

5. Accountability/Reports

A. Facilities Update

An update on the status of bond and facilities projects was shared with the board.

B. Enrollment Update

An update on enrollment was shared with the board.

C. Student Services – Global Directions Monitoring Report

The Student Services – Global Directions monitoring report was shared with the board.

D. Marketing and Recruitment Update

A marketing and recruitment report was shared with the board.

6. Reports

ASLCC President Keely Blyleven reported that the Sustainable Students Committee distributed care kits to 175 students and provided three community meals each term. There was a recycling presentation at the last meal. The committee also held a "fuel station" during finals week every term. The Rainy Day Food Pantry will move to CEN 222 and open for the summer. A new refrigerator and freezer were purchased for the pantry. The current ASLCC administration is down a senator; they will appoint one and hold special elections if congruent with bylaws. Blyleven recognized Tina Lymath, Student Life and Leadership Coordinator, has been very helpful to ASLCC and will soon be leaving Lane. There was a disconcerting incident today in which a staff member was told that her position was being cut, but then she found out that it was not. This is unacceptable; these are the people who support our students. Blyleven looks forward to working with Tracy Weimer in Lymath's absence, and thanked the board for the opportunity to participate as ASLCC President.

LCCEF Vice President Robin Geyer reported that there is a contract ratification vote set for June 28. Geyer stated that there is a toxic work environment for classified staff due to several factors including a lack of respect, reductions, unfilled vacancies, bullying, a shrinking benefit package, and more. Classified representatives are hoping to turn the toxic environment around.

LCCEA President Jim Salt welcomed Blyleven and Jarrell. There are many items to address now that Jarrell has begun his position, and Salt is confident that with new president and new academic vice president we will get there. He thanked IT for working on the Wi-Fi power outage. He applauded the board's decision to bring back a 360 evaluation of the president, though he was unclear what the methodology would be. The union and the college will be meeting on bargaining tomorrow with a new lead. Contract negotiation will likely be held over until fall term. LCCEA held its annual election, and the new president will be Adrienne Mitchell. She will take office September 1, and Salt is confident she will serve the faculty well. Salt will remain president of the Oregon Education Association Council. Vice President Brian Kelly welcomed Blyleven and ASLCC Vice President Dan Good. He congratulated Mitchell on the election. The financial report qualifies for the Government Finance Officers Association award; congratulations to Greg Holmes and his team. He recognized Facilities, Student Support Services, and everyone who helped get the campus ready for commencement. He thanked the IT team for working around the clock to fix the Wi-Fi problems. Kelly attended the 2nd annual KLCC fundraising event. He congratulated KLCC Program Manager Terry Gilday who is leaving to be the new head of Public Radio News Directors Association and KLCC Director John Stark who will be retiring. 4J will be expanding into two additional classrooms in the Mary Spilde Center. Pacific University is talking about leasing a space on campus. Marcola Home School is planning to locate on campus and recruit students. He welcomed Jarrell to Lane.

Vice President Paul Jarrell stated that the benefit of arriving in June is that it is a time of celebration for all of the work that we do. He attended the TRIO celebration and looked forward to commencement on Saturday. He is getting to know the staff and the leadership. He looked forward to working with them and the student leadership.

Board Reports

Keating welcomed Blyleven and Jarrell and congratulated Salt and Mitchell. He thanked Stark for his impact on KLCC. He reported that he would be the station representative at the upcoming Fishing Derby and therefore unable to attend commencement. He thanked the board for their courageous conversation regarding the letter to Merkley. He congratulated McCown and Eyster on their new roles and thanked them for their service. He commented that the subcommittee on the president's evaluation will bring back results for board approval. He congratulated Lane's graduates.

Johnston congratulated Stark, Salt, Mitchell, and Blyleven and thanked Geyer for her heartfelt remarks. She welcomed Jarrell. She commented that she would like to hear a future presentation from GIS. OCCA is in the process of hiring an executive director. She thanked Keating for his efforts on the Merkley letter. Johnston attended the Women in Transitions graduation. Having been a participant in the past, WIT is one of her passions. Recently a bequest of \$125,000 was made to the Gender Equity Center. She congratulated DiMarco on her recognition.

Muenzer echoed all of the thanks and welcomes. She thanked Keating for the letter to the senator. She looked forward to commencement.

McCown echoed all of the thanks and welcomes and wished everyone luck in next steps moving forward. He looked forward to graduation. He thanked the board for their vote of confidence.

Eyster congratulated Blyleven and Mitchell and looked forward to working with them. He welcomed Jarrell. He thanked Pryor for her leadership. He thanked those that are willing to serve as board chair and to McCown for agreeing to serve. He thanked Keating for the letter to the senator.

Pryor welcomed Blyleven. She looked forward to the coming year as she does not plan to run for the board again next year.

7. Date, Place, and Proposed Agenda Items for the Next Regular Meeting

July 12, 2018, 6:30 p.m., Boardroom, Building 3, Lane Community College.

8. The board meeting unanimously adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Margaret Hamilton, President/District Clerk Rosemary Pryor, Board Chair

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