



Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Minutes

November 28, 2023

Port Angeles, WA

2:00 p.m.

Peninsula College Cornaby Center, A-12

Trustees:

Mike Maxwell, Chair

Joe Floyd, Vice Chair

Claire Roney

Celeste Schoenthaler

Glenn Ellis, Jr.

ROLL CALL and DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Mike Maxwell, Chair – present

Joe Floyd, Vice Chair – present

Claire Roney – present

Celeste Schoenthaler – excused

Glenn Ellis, Jr. – present

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

None

MODIFICATION TO THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 17, 2023

Motion made by Joe Floyd seconded by Claire Roney. All Approved.

INTRODUCTIONS

New Employees

Student Services – Introduced by Brad Baranowski and Sophia Iliakis-Doherty

Julie Huebner – Services for Students with Disabilities Manager

Penguin Revik – Pirate Central

Erin Kate Murphy – International and Veterans Academic Advisor

Instruction – Introduced by Bruce Hattendorf

Teresa McCaffrey – Administrative Assistant for Professional Technical Education

Anne Higdon – Benefits Navigator

Migizi Miigwan/Nicole Nesberg – Integrated Indigenous Studies Faculty

Office of the President – Introduced by Suzy Ames
Trish Tisdale – Webmaster
Aimee Gordon – Director of Marketing and Communications

PRESENTATIONS

Multicultural and Inclusion Advising – Sam Della-DeVoney and students Amara Yallup and Sarah Robbins.

Sam Della-DeVoney is the Multicultural and Inclusion Advisor. She shared some of what they are working on, such as a Potlach Planning Math in Society class, with the goal of place-based learning experiences. Sam is also on the equity committee. Sam acknowledges that diversity, equity and inclusion work is hard, and the equity committee is working on ways to support the staff and faculty doing the work. Sam also does one on one advising with students.

Sarah Robbins is in the BAS – Behavioral Health program and is a peer mentor. The peer mentors have experience as college students and life in the real world. Students can ask them questions about anything, and the peer mentors help connect students to resources. They also do workshops such as mental health and scholarships. They serve all students, but their focus is on first year students. The Peer Mentors will be doing a Studium General in February, there will be a panel of students.

Amara Yallup is a second year student; she is also a Work Study student in the Longhouse. Sam Della-DeVoney is Amara's advisor. Amara is a member of the Makah Tribe. Amara was overwhelmed in her first quarter and with being away from home. She was not successful in her first quarter, but has been supported by Sam Della-DeVoney and the other faculty and staff and is now doing well and is excited to help others.

STANDING REPORTS:

- ASC – Hannah Wagner
The ASC had their first successful Escape Room, and they had a great black light dodgeball competition. They had a fully booked blood drive on Halloween and are planning another Blood Drive on Valentines Day. The ASC is planning Pirate Pete week and working on increasing the offerings at the Pirate Pantry.
- Senate – Lara Starcevich, Faculty Senate First Speaker
Lara was not able to attend but Faculty Senate has not met since the last board meeting so there are no updates.
- PCFA – Tim Williams
Collective Bargaining has started. The bargaining is on a three-year cycle, this cycle can pose a challenge with the timeline of college decision making. It looks like collective bargaining is becoming more of an integral part of college decision making which is promising. Suzy mentioned that the most important part of Collective Bargaining is

relationships and Tim noted that faculty is in agreement on this.

- Institutional/Enrollment Report – Strategic Goal 3, Fostering Equity, and Inclusion: Diversity and Equity Survey Results – Terye Senderhauf. Report in Board Packet.

Joe Floyd was surprised about the low faculty response rate. He thinks that Peninsula College should consider using a different/our own survey. He is concerned about the percentage of faculty feeling like they don't belong and the perception of the faculty on how others feel about belonging at Peninsula College. Suzy mentioned that it is not clear if the faculty that responded are full time or part time faculty. It is typical for part time faculty to feel less engaged in a college.

Claire Roney asked if she could see the survey questions.

The PACE faculty/staff survey is going on now and there are also DEI questions as part of that survey.

- Foundation – Getta Rogers
Today is Giving Tuesday; the Foundation had a fun cart with donuts and coffee today to share info about employee giving and to thank the employees that already give.

The Foundation has given \$1,186,000 to PC so far this academic year—nearly \$550,000 for students and \$637,000 for programs. This is \$409,000 more than all of last year, and with more funds to come, it will be a banner year for giving.

The Foundation is making a big push to close out their \$1 million *ForPC, Forward Endowment* Campaign. They have received a matching donation; they are close to meeting their goal.

On January 1, Kathy Charlton will be the Foundation President, and Jeanne Martin will begin another 2-year term as Co-Treasurer.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1st Quarter Financials – Carie Edmiston is out today so Suzy gave the report, Report in Board Packet.

Updates

- Earlier today Suzy was at Peninsula College, Forks with the Olympic Community of Health to discuss wrap around services at Peninsula College and it was inspiring and successful.
- Worker Retraining enrollments are at an all-time high at Peninsula College. We are fully staffed in our outreach team, and they are going out into Clallam and Jefferson county to reach out to people where they are. Claire Roney is interested in a board presentation more about this.
- Our increased enrollment also means an increase in distributing Financial Aid.

- Our soccer teams did amazing this year. The men won the NWAC championship and Jake Hughes was named Coach of the Year. The woman had a heartbreaking loss in the semi-final, it came down to a shootout, they had a great season.
- November 6-7, WSAC had their board meeting at Peninsula College. Many of the members had never been to the Olympic Peninsula before. This visit will put us in a good position for a Regional Challenge Grant that will be open for applications in January.
- On November 7th the Gates Foundation did a site visit, we are a finalist for a grant. A staff member at the Gates Foundation was inspired by the work that we are doing and the trip to Neah Bay and said that he would like to fund our Culture Fair in the Longhouse.
- The EDC applied for a Recomplete grant, there were a lot of applications.
- We submitted a Department of Labor Grant for Marine Manufacturing; good partnerships came out of the application of this grant. We will find out if we get the grant in March.
- Legislative Visits – Suzy will be reaching out to have a zoom call with Legislators. Suzy asked the Board to let her know if they are interested in being involved. Suzy will be inviting 2024 Candidates to come to Peninsula College for a tour and to give them an opportunity to get to know Peninsula College.
- Day on the Hill is January 25th.

SBCTC Supplemental Budget Requests – The statewide requests are in the Board Packet. Suzy will be putting together a document about how Peninsula College will be impacted.

TRUSTEE UPDATE

Legislative Action Report

Claire Roney encouraged the Board to attend the day on the Hill on Jan 25th.

Claire summarized the ACT conference and shared about a student that was on a panel, the student commented that the resources available don't always reach the students that need them. Claire would like to include more students in the Legislative process. Suzy would like to find a way to capture student voices without them having to travel to Olympia.

Claire shared a letter from Chris Bailey, President of Lower Columbia College that he wrote to his Board.

Celeste Schoenthaler and Claire Roney attended the ACT conference. Claire said that the networking is an important part of the conference.

ITEMS FOR BOARD STUDY

Policy 232 Teleworking

Policy 297 Administrative/Exempt Resignation

Policy 415 Academic Credit for Prior Learning

Policy 506 Accessible Technology

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

Policy 122 Board Operational Policy

Motion made by Joe Floyd seconded by Glenn Ellis, Jr. All Approved.

Emeritus Status – Jill Snyder and Cindy Lauderback and Meritorious Service Status – Susan Herbert

Motion made by Joe Floyd, seconded by Glenn Ellis, Jr. All Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

NEXT MEETING

Tue. December 19, 2023

Glenn Ellis, Jr. will not be able to attend.


Meeting Adjourned at 4:05



Michael Maxwell, Board Chair

12/19/23

Date:



Suzy Ames, President

12/19/23

Date:

