



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 16, 2024
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING - JACKSON CONFERENCE CENTER & ZOOM

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83574559617>

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Call to Order

Chair Jerry Martin called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Land and Labor Acknowledgements were read by Dr. John Hudson, VP of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

President's Update

Dr. Crawford stated that she and the college are working on the construction and planning of Baker Hall and to stay tuned for more information. She told the Board that Representative Rick Larsen met with her and toured the Cascade Learning Resource Center. The Washington Legislative Sessions are in place, and she will meet with legislators. Dr. Crawford said she was asked to sit on the SBCTC Advocacy Board and that she and some leadership team members will attend the Guided Pathways retreat. She is also going to the ACCT Leadership Congress in DC with Trustee Betty Cobbs.

Public Comments:

A comment was made in person expressing appreciation for converting full-time temporary entry advisors to tenure-track entry advisors.

Reports from the Board

Trustee Dr. Betty Cobbs said she looks forward to the ACCT conference and meeting with senators and legislators.

Consent Agenda - Minutes:

Trustee Betty Cobbs moved to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2023 Regular Meeting, Trustee Toraya Miller seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Kelsey Lindstrom	Exempt Union Representative
Anne Brackett	Faculty Senate Representative
Stephanie Doyle	Classified Union Representative
Azrael Howell	Staff Senate Representative
Nina Benedetti	Faculty Union Representative
Narjis Alshatee	ASB Student Representative

Kelsey Lindstrom was not present.

Anne Brackett told the board that tenure track probationers in their first quarter or two of the ARC processes at EvCC were invited to introduce themselves to the Board of trustees. Of those invited, the following were able to attend and share a little about their background and why they chose EvCC:

- Beatriz Rodriguez, Advising
- Kaitin Mallory, Advising
- Jason Pfau, Advising
- Lawrence Smith, History
- Sergio Brito Solarzano, Advising
- Ariana Stafford, Advising

Stephanie Doyle was not present.

Azrael Howell was not present.

Nina Benedetti said it was nice to hear from new tenure track positions and is excited for them. She will be going to the capital with the community for our colleges. Nina shared information about a house bill advocating for free college. She said the winter quarter started. Trustee Toraya Miller thanked her for her report.

Amber Kelly gave the following update:

The ASB Vice President of Student Engagement stepped down at the end of last quarter, and after careful consideration the Executive Council decided that we won't be hiring a replacement and we have instead divided the responsibilities of the position between the 3 remaining ASB vice presidents and the ASB President.

We have 17 ASB senators, and with the 3 vice presidents we have a total of 20 voting members which leaves us with only 10 positions remaining to fill. We have a few prospective senators in the onboarding process as well.

On February 14th from 1 to 4pm the Executive Council will be holding our quarterly club fest which will be valentines themed. It would be great if people can come check it out and direct other students to it as well. Our vice president of clubs has been working very hard on it.

Our S&A committee has officially been formed and is headed by our vice president of budget.

The Trojan Activities Board has an exciting lineup of events for the upcoming weeks, starting with a painting event this coming Thursday, the 18th, from 2 to 4pm in the Parks Cafe, which will give students a chance to relax after these first few weeks of classes.

On Wednesday, January 31st, APCA's 2023 solo artist Emes will be performing a one-hour set here in Jackson from 3 to 4pm.

Then, on February 14th, TAB will be supporting the Valentine's clubfest with Doug's Wire Bending, which will offer students the chance to create custom wire art.

Athletics had a great season and a lot of achievements to celebrate.

Following the posting of fall quarter grades, 11 student-athletes made it onto the President's list with 4.0 GPAs, while 26 student-athletes made the Dean's list, and a total of 75 student athletes earned a place on the Academic Honor Roll with GPAs of at least 3.2. This represents a remarkable 45% of all student-athletes, which is the highest quarterly total in the past five years.

Notably, five teams achieved GPAs above 3.0, including volleyball, women's soccer, men's basketball, baseball with a 3.26 GPA, and softball leading with an outstanding 3.36 GPA.

Ending on another great note, our Women's soccer team has been nominated for an Outstanding Volunteerism in Snohomish County award.

Trustee Jerry Martin thanked Amber for staying engaged, and Trustee Toraya Miller congratulated her on all the exciting things happening.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Shelby Burke, Vice President of Finance, gave a budget update. Toraya Miller said it was a great report.

Josh Ernst, Vice President of Human Resources and Compliance, presented an HR update. Betty Cobbs said it was timely to provide the update and that it was good to see some things turn around so that we won't have the same difficulties as in the past. Some long-standing problems are being fixed.

Ann Johnson, Interim Vice President of Student Services, gave an update. She let the Board know she, first and foremost, is a student advocate. She is helping the team through the transition. She said it was evident people were not placed in the right place to do their best work. There are so many staff at the college who are student advocates and committed to EvCC, and the dedication of the staff has endeared her. She said it made her happy to be a part of this team. Trustee Betty Cobbs said that working on our new students feeling welcome from the beginning and offering students services doesn't just attract them; it retains them.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Jerry Martin at 6:15.

Gerald Martin

Gerald Martin (Apr 5, 2024 15:20 PDT)

Jerry Martin, Chair
Board of Trustees



Dr. Chemene Crawford, Secretary
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