

FINAL - Minutes
Northern Wyoming Community College District - Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 19, 2016
5:00 p.m.
Gillette College Pronghorn Center – Rooms 243, 244, 245 (Flex Space)
Sheridan, WY

Trustees Present

Norleen Healy, Chair
Walter Wragge, Vice-Chair
Bob Leibrich, Treasurer (via phone)
Jerry Iekel, Secretary
Bruce Hoffman, Trustee
Gary Koltiska, Trustee
Debra Wendtland, Trustee

Trustees Absent

Advisory Board Representatives Present

Jack Tarter, Chair – Johnson County Advisory Board
Tracy Wasserburger, Chair – Gillette College Advisory Board

Advisory Board Representatives Absent

Administration Present

President Paul Young
VP Mark Englert
VP Rich Hail
VP Leah Barrett
VP Susan Bigelow
VP Cheryl Heath

Administration Absent

Others Present

Wendy Smith, NWCCD PIO, Director of Marketing	Doug Dumbrill, GCF
Jennifer McArthur, NWCCD Director of Human Resources	Jaime Tarver, GCF
Charlene Bodine, Wyoming Community College Commissioner	Brenda Schladweiler, GCF
Vermona Petersen, GC Advisory Board (GCAB)	Dan Clouston, GCF
Jerry Tystad, GCAB	David Horning, GCF
Alice Bratton, GCAB	Todd Hoese, GCF
Sherry McGrath, GCAB	Patrick Love, GCF
Veronica Taylor, GCAB	Wendy Hauck, GCF
Nathan McLeland, GCAB	Debbie McLeland, GCF
Adrian Gerrits, GCAB	Jim McLeland
Rexanna Kelly, Vice-Chair, GC Student Government Association	Gregg Blikre, GCF
Heidi Gross, Director, GC Foundation (GCF)	

Recorder

Mary Jo Johnson

Call to Order and Roll Call

Board Chair Norleen Healy called the January 19, 2017 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Roll call was taken; there was a quorum.

Agenda Additions/Deletions

Chair Healy asked if there were any additions or deletions to the January 19, 2017 Board Agenda. Dr. Paul Young asked to add under "New Business": **Item 8d – Campus Carry Bill and Wyoming Gun-Free Zone Bill**; and **Item 8e – Trustee Gary Koltiska Appointment to the SEEDA Board**.

Consent Agenda

Chair Healy asked if there were any changes to the Consent Agenda, which included the December 15, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes and the December, 2016 Financials. There were no changes; the Consent Agenda was accepted.

President's Report – Dr. Paul R. Young

Dr. Young expressed his excitement at being in the Pronghorn Center; he congratulated Dr. Englert, the Gillette College Advisory Board, and the Gillette College Foundation for their work in making it, the new Inspiration Hall / High Plains Grill, and the Rodeo Arena a reality; he congratulated Gillette on the high ranking of the Pronghorn Men's Basketball Team; and he announced the hiring of Saber Garcia as the first-ever Gillette College Men's Soccer coach.

Gillette College Advisory Board (GCAB) – Tracy Wasserburger, Chair / Mark Englert, GC CEO

Chair Wasserburger welcomed everyone to the Gillette College campus; she congratulated Dr. Englert for Gillette's Top 10 national NJCAA ranking in Men's Basketball.

Dr. Englert gave kudos to his staff who worked during the Christmas Break bringing three buildings online.

Vice-Chair Walt Wragge thanked Dr. Englert and his team for providing live streaming of the SC at GC basketball games.

Johnson County Advisory Board – Jack Tarter, Chair

Chair Tarter noted that EMT and Adult Basic Education classes are filling up or are full for spring semester; Leadership Johnson County has begun its third group.

Organization Reports

Rexanna Kelly, the Gillette College Student Government Association Secretary gave the report. She said the students are grateful to have their own office space; the HOPE Cupboard has been so successful they're wanting to put in a second Cupboard on in the Tec Center; they assisted ten students with Holiday giving; in March they'll hold a Children's Festival; they are working on establishing a fund allocation process for clubs, capping each at \$2,500/club; they're working on a possible loan and grant program; and they'll be holding a Dash-In Dinner Date fundraiser supporting the "For Kids" charity.

Secretary Jerry Iekel said he was impressed with Ms. Kelly's report.

Public Comment

Wyoming Community College Commissioner Charlene Bodine said that she would be leaving the WCCC in April, and commended the work the NWCCD Board and accompanying advisory boards and foundations have done in growing all campuses in the District.

Chair Healy said that NWCCD owed a "great deal of gratitude" to Commissioner Bodine for her work on behalf of the District.

Old Business

There were no Old Business items this month.

New Business

8a. New Appointees to Gillette College Foundation Board - Information, Action

Administration recommended approving the appointments of Mr. Pat Love and Mr. Todd Hoese to seats on the Gillette College Foundation board.

MOTION: Secretary Iekel moved and Trustee Bruce Hoffman seconded approving the appointments as recommended.

Each appointee introduced himself to the Board.

Hearing no further discussion, the **MOTION** carried, unanimously.

8b. Climate Survey Report - Information

NWCCD HR Director, Jennifer McArthur, presented the results of the 2015 District Climate Survey. PACE is the company contracted to assist NWCCD with the 2017 Climate Survey, which runs January 30 through February 10, 2017. Institutional Research will receive the analysis by the end of March 2017, and Ms. McArthur hopes to have the results to the Board by their Regular Meeting April 20, 2017.

Vice-Chair Wragge asked if the new instrument used could compare to 2015 results. Answer: it can help some.

Secretary Iekel asked how many participated in 2015 Survey. Answer: 169 responses.

8c. Announcement of 2017 NWCCD WACCT Award Nominees - Information

Dr. Young announced the District Nominees for the 2017 WACCT Awards as follows:

Trustee of the Year – Walt Wragge
Volunteer of the Year – Larry & Peg Smith, Gillette College
Faculty of the Year – David Golden, Sheridan College
Student of the Year – Ecaterina “Kate” Botten, Sheridan College
Professional Staff of the Year – Katrina Brown, Sheridan College
Classified Staff of the Year – Judy Reichert, Sheridan College

Dr. Young also announced the four nominees – two from each campus – of the Phi Theta Kappa New Century Scholars:

Ashley Pollick – Gillette College Elementary Education Major	Edwin Saenz – Gillette College Criminal Justice Major
Teresa Giandonato – Sheridan College Biology Major	Brittney Steele – Sheridan College Dental Hygiene Major

8d. Campus Carry Bill & Wyoming Gun-Free Zone Bill - Information

Dr. Young updated the Board on these two contentious bills making their way through the State Legislature. He does not support that the NWCCD Board make an official resolution, but asked for individual input from each Trustee and Advisory Board chair on the bills. For the record:

Opposed to Both: Dr. Paul R. Young

Opposed to Both: Chair Norleen Healy

Opposed to Both: Vice-Chair Walt Wragge – it is a safety issue; not the answer re: campus security.

Opposed to Both: Treasurer Robert Leibrich – bad experience from college; alcohol and guns do not mix.

Opposed to Both: Secretary Jerry Iekel – as former legislator, he would not have supported them then, and does not now.

Opposed to Both: Trustee Bruce Hoffman – has safety concerns; as longtime educator and trustee, notes that college students are in very emotional times.

Opposed to Both: Trustee Debra Wendtland – college, guns, alcohol, and boys are not a good combination.

Opposed to Both: GCAB Chair Tracy Wasserburger – creates tension and pressure both ways; wise not to take an official stance.

Supports Both: Trustee Gary Koltiska – not having the bills pass penalizes rural kids.

Neutral on Both: JCAB Chair Jack Tarter – retired military; has a permit to carry and carries a lot; does not have an opinion.

8e. **Appointment of Trustee Gary Koltiska to Sheridan Education and Economic Development Association (SEEDA) Board - Information, Action**

Dr. Young recommended that the Board appoint Trustee Gary Koltiska to fill former trustee Scott Ludwig's seat on the SEEDA Board.

MOTION: Vice-Chair Wragge moved and Trustee Hoffman seconded the appointment as recommended.

Hearing no further discussion, the **MOTION** carried, unanimously.

Adjournment

Chair Healy asked if there was any other business for the good of the college. There was nothing further. Chair Healy adjourned the January 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jerry Healy, Secretary

Approved,


Walt Wragge, Vice-Chair