

Clark College

Board of Trustees Regular Session Minutes

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

GHL 213 and Zoom

In Attendance

Paul Speer, Vice-Chair

Denise Gideon, Trustee

Rekah Strong, Trustee

Cristhian Canseco Juarez, Trustee

Absent

Jeanne Bennett, Chair

Administrators

Dr. Karin Edwards, President

Dr. Michele Cruse, Vice President of Student Affairs

Dr. Rashida Willard, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Paul Wickline, Vice President of Instruction

Das Gupta, Interim Chief Information Officer

Sabra Sand, Interim Executive Vice President of Operations

Brad Avakian, Vice President of Human Resources

Calen Ouellette, Foundation

Others

Tsering Cornell, Assistant Attorney General

Zach Lattin, Presenter

Julie Taylor

Darci Feider, Recorder

I. Call to Order/Agenda Review

Vice - Chair Speer called the work session to order at 5:02 p.m.

II. Action Items/Consent Agenda

1. 2022-2023 Services and Activities Fee Budget
2. 2022-2023 College Budget
3. Ratification of the AHE Agreement
4. May 25, 2022, Board Work Session Minutes
5. May 25, 2022, Board Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Trustee Gideon made a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Trustee Canseco Juarez seconded the motion and it unanimously passed.

III. Constituent Reports

ASCC

Claudia Carrion reported that the ASCC created a Student Engagement Survey to address the decline of student engagement at Clark College. They've hired five students for the 2022-2023 school year. They attended the groundbreaking at Boschma Farms and they've had multiple events this month including the Penguin Pantry Distribution Day.

WPEA

Jenny Shadley congratulated John Condor on his retirement. They are looking forward to the College's plan for staff who work outside during extreme weather. They have received questions about the Chief of Staff position. They are eager for training on the soft phone system.

AHE

Suzanne Southerland expressed gratitude to multiple people and departments at Clark College.

Foundation

Calen Ouellette reported that he attended the groundbreaking at Boschma Farm. The Foundation is closing a successful 7-year campaign on June 30th. He is currently on a listening tour to learn how the Foundation can best support the College and community.

IV. Staff Presentation

Zach Lattin, Campus I.T. Accessibility Coordinator, gave an overview on accessibility and assistive technology at Clark College. He stated that one of the ways we help students is through policy; making sure all technology we use is accessible and compatible with assistive technologies. I.T. is making sure all software is vetted for accessibility through the I.T. Change Advisory Committee. He shared the creation of an assistive technology lab on campus for people who use assistive technology.

V. President's Report

President Edwards introduced Ben Moll who gave an overview of the mid-cycle evaluation for the College's accreditation.

President Edwards talked about visiting with culinary students, attending the ODEI graduation, and will attend the Oswald Awards. She attended the Boschma Farms groundbreaking. She looks forward to commencement and had the opportunity to walk through the space with Michelle Golder.

Dr. Edwards acknowledged the work of Clark employees and showing up for our community. She stressed the importance of collective care.

The State Board has announced Paul Frances as the new Executive Director.

Dr. Edwards clarified that the Chief of Staff position was discussed and approved in Executive Cabinet and the position went through the normal channels.

Dr. Edwards gave an update on the Strategic Plan. The committee is working with consultants and have collected data and swat analysis.

VI. Reports from the Board Members

Trustee Gideon

Trustee Gideon attended the Social Equity Advisory Committee and the groundbreaking at Boschma Farms. She met with Students of Color at an informational session about a possible partnership with the Multnomah Unified School District.

Trustee Canseco Juarez

Trustee Canseco Juarez congratulated Clark College students and attended the Boschma Farms groundbreaking.

Vice-Chair Speers

Vice-Chair Speers attended the Boschma Farms groundbreaking. He also attended the Foundation Board meeting where they reflected on the success campaign and selected their officers for 2022-2023.

VII. Public Comment

No public comment.

VIII. Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees is currently scheduled for Board Retreat on August 15, 2022 and a Regular Meeting on September 28, 2022.

IX. Executive Session

An Executive Session was convened under RCW 42.30.110 at 6:07 pm for the purpose of evaluating the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. The Executive Session is expected to last until 6:50pm.

The Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 ended at 6:50 pm. The regular meeting reconvened at 6:52 pm. The Board took no action during Executive Session. During the Executive Session, the Board talked about the Performance Evaluation Letter from the Board of Trustees to President Edwards and the annual adjustment to compensation and contract by the BOT relative to Dr. Edwards.

Motion: Trustee Gideon made a motion to approve the evaluation and contract addendum to extend the appointment of President Karin Edwards on June 21, 2020, through midnight of June 31, 2025 with an annual salary of \$260,000 effective July 1, 2022 with a one-time contribution of \$5,000 for her retirement. Seconded by Trustee Canseco Juarez. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Jeanne K. Bennett

Jeanne Bennett, Chair

Darci Feider, Recorder