

Clark College

Board of Trustees Work Session Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, at 3:30 pm

GHL 213 and Zoom

In Attendance

Cristhian Canseco Juarez, Chair

Denise Gideon, Vice Chair

Marilee Scarbrough, Trustee

Suzanne Donaldson, Trustee

Absent

Jeanne Bennett, Trustee

Administrators

Dr. Karin Edwards, President

Dr. Michele Cruse, Vice President of Student Affairs

Dr. Cecelia Martin, Associate Vice President of Planning and Effectiveness

Dr. Tina Redd, Interim Vice President of Instruction

Brad Avakian, Vice President of Human Resources

Sudha Frederick, Vice President of Information Technology

Calen Ouellette, Clark College Foundation CEO

Others

Shelley Williams, Assistant Attorney General

Darci Feider, President's Office

Julie Taylor, President's Office

Brandon Johnson, Information Technology

I. Call to Order/Agenda Review

Chair Canseco Juarez called the work session to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Public Comment

No public comment.

III. Executive Session: Tenure Candidate Interviews

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g), the Board shall convene an executive session to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

The Board of Trustees interviewed the following tenure candidates:

- i. a. Heidi Fay
- ii. b. Mackenzie Loyet
- iii. c. Heather Reynolds

Chair Canseco Juarez called the Executive Session to order at 3:33 p.m. The Executive Session is expected to conclude at 4:12 p.m.

At 4:13 p.m., an announcement was made that the executive session would be extended to 4:17 p.m.

The Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) has ended at 4:17 p.m.

The work session is reconvened at 4:17 p.m.

No action was taken by the Board during Executive Session.

I. Winter Term Enrollment Update

Presented by Dr. Michele Cruse, Vice President of Student Affairs and Dr. Cecelia Martin, Associate Vice President of Planning and Effectiveness

Dr. Cruse and Dr. Martin provided a high-level overview of the winter term enrollment and student profile. Shared their appreciation and gratitude for employees' efforts to not only stabilize but increase enrollment.

- Winter term enrollment from 2022 to 2024 has shown a significant increase of 15%
- Overall State FTES at 107% of budgeted target
- 488 DSS students have registered for winter term, with testing accommodations being the most frequently requested accommodation.
- Grant funding is the primary financial aid received by students (\$4,790,345), followed by loans (\$1,706,105), then scholarships (\$779,002), and Workforce Educational Services (\$156,193)
 - Student loan repayments commence on October 1
 - FAFSA simplification has prompted the recalibration of department systems to manage increased demand
- Close to 200 military-connected students
- Student-athletes are at about 200
- Winter quarter comparison 2023 to 2024, biggest jump in Latinx population
- Overall BIPOC student enrollment has risen from 31% to 36%
- Male enrollment increased by 2%,
- Decline in 40 and older students by 4%

II. Adjournment

Chair Canseco Juarez adjourned the work session at 4:54



Cristhian Canseco Juarez, Chair

Darci Feider, Recorder