Graham County Community College District
Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.
Student Services Building-Governing Board Room - 244

Roll Call: Present: Jeff Larson, Chair
Brad Montierth, Secretary
Lois Ann Moody, Member
Tina McMaster, Member

Absent: Richard W. Mattice, Member

Also Present: Todd Haynie, President; Heston Welker, Vice President of Administration; Susan Wood, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs; Phil McBride, Dean of Instruction; David Udall, Executive Director of Foundation and Alumni Boards; Laurie Pennington, Director of Enterprise Risk Management; Lauri Avila, Human Resources; Lydia Newkirk, Director of Human Resources; Kris McBride, Director of Marketing and Public Relations; Kenny Smith, Dean of Student Services; Gary Sorensen, Dean of Students; Keith Alexander, Special Assistant to the President, Community and Government Relations; and Jodi Keim, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order: Chair Larson called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Those present at the meeting today stood and recited The Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests: Chair Larson welcomed all in attendance and acknowledged the guests.

Call to the Public: There were no comments from the audience.

Minutes: Mrs. Moody moved, and Dr. Montierth seconded, to approve the recorded minutes of the June 10, 2021 Regular and Special meetings. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth and Larson voting in favor). (Minutes attached and made part of the official minutes.)

Vouchers/Financial Reports: Vice President Welker presented Financial Reports for the period of July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021. An individual synopsis of all funds was presented. (Financial Reports attached and made part of the official minutes.)

Mrs. McMaster moved, and Dr. Montierth seconded, to accept the following vouchers:

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The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor).

Reports
Greenlee County: Report attached and made part of the official minutes. Mrs. Moody commended Dean McBride on the excellent job serving and reporting on the Greenlee County Advisory Committee.

Gila County: Report attached and made part of the official minutes.

Foundation/Alumni: Report attached and made part of the official minutes.

Old Business
There were no Old Business items presented.

New Business
There were no New Business items presented.

Standing Business
Courses/Curricula: There were no courses or curricula presented for consideration.

Contracts: Vice President Welker presented one contract for the Board’s consideration with the Arizona School Alliance for Workers’ Compensation. (Report attached and made part of the official minutes.)

Mrs. Moody moved, and Dr. Montierth seconded, to enter into an agreement with the Arizona School Alliance for Workers’ Compensation, Inc., (the Alliance), to become a member of the Alliance and to participate in the Workers’ compensation pool and the joint purchase of insurance. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor).

Policy & Regulations: President Haynie presented policies 7050.00 “Tobacco Free Environment,” 7060.00 “Naming Facilities,” and 9110.00 “General Powers and Duties,” for approval, and the new Regulation 7060.01 “Procedures and Guidelines for Naming Facilities,” for informational purposes only. (Report attached and made part of the official minutes).

Mrs. McMaster moved, and Mrs. Moody seconded, to approve the modifications to Policies 7050.00, 7060.00, and 9110.00 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor).

Personnel: President Haynie provided an update on personnel openings. (Report attached and made part of the official minutes.)

General Information: Chair Larson announced that the next District Governing Board meeting is Thursday, September 9, at noon.

President Haynie reminded everyone that Eastern Arizona College’s Profile 2022 document was included in their packet, and that it provides statistical information for the District in the areas of population, industry, high schools, enrollment, personnel, programs, facilities, and budget. Also provided in everyone’s packet is a current housing status report, and enrollment information from the past fiscal year. (Report and Profile 2022 document attached and made part of the official minutes.)

As permitted by A.R.S. §38-431.02(k), President Haynie presented a brief summary of current events.

Faculty return to campus on August 16 and we preparing for the fall semester to begin on Monday, August 23. We continue to watch the Covid case numbers carefully. Our current recommendations in regards to Covid include reduced capacity of campus facilities to 75% to encourage and enable social distancing, strongly recommending the use of face masks when social distancing is not an option, and encouraging everyone to be vaccinated. Some state universities are mandating masks on campus. Last year we didn’t mandate masks during the time that there was not yet a vaccine available, and we will not mandate masks this year.

Mrs. Moody inquired about the current number of students enrolled. President Haynie stated that for all three counties, the enrollment headcount is at approximately 3,400 for the current semester. For Thatcher campus only, enrollment is 2,243. He also remarked that enrollment is up from last year, and close to 2019 numbers.

Executive Session

Upon a call by the Board Chair for an Executive Session, Dr. Montierth moved, and Mrs. Moody seconded, to convene into an Executive Session at 12:19 p.m. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor). Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38.431.03(A)(3)(4)(7), the Board may, upon a vote of a majority of the members constituting a quorum, elect to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for discussion or consultation with the attorneys of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the public body’s position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation; for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body concerning any item on the agenda; or for discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

Reconvened to the Public: The meeting was reopened to the public at 12:44 p.m.

Direct Attorneys to Follow
Direction Given in Executive Session: In the Executive Session, the Board received legal advice from the attorneys of the public body.

Mrs. Moody moved, and Mrs. McMaster seconded, to direct the Attorneys to proceed as discussed in the Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor).

Consider the Sale of Real Property Owned by the District: The District owns a piece of property that the Town of Thatcher needs right-of-way access to. The Board received an inquiry to purchase a portion of that parcel.

Dr. Montierth moved, and Mrs. Moody seconded, to approve the sale of certain real property which is the subject of a right-of-way with the Town of Thatcher, and authorized the President, or his designee, to sign all agreements and documents related thereto. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor).

Adjournment: Mrs. Moody moved, and Dr. Montierth seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously (McMaster, Moody, Montierth, and Larson voting in favor). The meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Keim
Recording Secretary

Attest:

Jeff Larson, Chair

Brad Montierth, Secretary