



SEATTLE COLLEGES DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 10, 2022

STUDY SESSION

2:00 p.m.

**South Seattle College & Zoom
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South Seattle College
Cascade Hall Room 107
6000 16 Ave SW
Seattle, WA 98106**

REGULAR SESSION

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MINUTES

Prepared by Eric VanHooser

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Chernin called a 45-minute executive session at 1:15 p.m.

A. Negotiations

- a. Exception (6) To plan or adopt the strategy or position to be taken during collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or to review proposals made in on-going negotiations or proceedings.*

B. Litigation Update

- a. Exception (3) To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation to which the college is, or is like to become, a party, when public knowledge of the discussion would likely result in adverse consequence to the district;*

C. Personnel

- a. *Exception (2) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.*

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

An executive session may be held for one or more of the following purposes: (1) To receive and evaluate complaints against a public officer or employee; (2) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee; (3) To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation to which the college is, or is like to become, a party, when public knowledge of the discussion would likely result in adverse consequence to the district; (4) To consider, as a quasi-judicial body, a quasi-judicial matter between named parties; (5) To consider matters governed by the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW; and/or (6) To plan or adopt the strategy or position to be taken during collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or to review proposals made in on-going negotiations or proceedings.

OPEN SESSION

Chair Chernin welcomed everyone to the open study session at 2:35 p.m.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Budget & 2021-2022 & Year End Close

Dr. Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap, provided an overview of the budget This budget was revised in May but additional review was needed before it was ready to be presented and voted on. The budget may be adjusted throughout the year as numbers change due to new revenue through enrollment management and increased tuition collection. Expenditures equal 80% salaries and benefits. Future budgets will clarify utilities across the district. Today's totals do not include the inter-district transfers as that would be double reporting. All Local funds, need to be more aligned for 2023-2024. The goal is financial stability and steps are being taking to focus on stability and budget support for college managers. Chair Louise Chernin thanked Dr Rosie and Julienne Degeyter for their work to present an accurate budget, with transparent and consistent reporting measures across all three colleges.

Seattle Central College EcoDistrict and financial questions

Dr. Bradley Lane and Lincoln Ferris gave a presentation on the urgent need to update Seattle Central's outdated and failing heating system with a proposal to install a state of the art, environmentally sound system of heat pumps. There was a lengthy discussion by the Board, given the scope and expense of the project. The total project cost could be up to \$22 million with an immediate need of \$3 million to start the first phase of the project. The project would be funded by a partnership between public and private utilities and a 25 year State Treasury Bond. In addition, the project will need approval by the State Board. Given inflation, the longer we wait could increase costs by \$200k per month. Because of the safety concerns of our current system, which has already had one failure, the Board expressed support for the need to make this significant, long-

term investment in ensuring our largest college building (over 400,000 sq ft) has a safe, updated, heating system.

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chernin called the meeting to order at 3:22 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap, Louise Chernin, Rosa Peralta, Colleen, Teresita Batayola, H Bruce Marvin, Vanessa Johnson, Bradley Lane, D'Andre Fisher, Eric VanHooser, Earnest Phillips, Cindy Riche, Jennifer Dixon, Kurt Buttermann, Cody Hiatt, Chemene Crawford, Annette Stofer, Joe Barrientos, Kerry Howell, Julianne DeGeyter, Lincoln Farris, Ahmed Gumalev, Dianne Ellis

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Given by Sayumi Irei, Vice President of Instruction South College

ACTION / Approval of Agenda

Chair Chernin asked for approval of the agenda. Trustee Batayola made a motion to approve the agenda. Trustee Peralta seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Seattle Colleges Board of Trustees welcomes students, employees, and community partners to address the Board during the Public Comment period specified on the Agenda. The Board provides 15 minutes for public comments, which may be adjusted at the discretion of the Board Chair.

Each speaker has 3 minutes to address the Board, and speakers are encouraged not to repeat the same issue that a previous speaker has already raised. Advanced sign-up for oral comments is requested by emailing eric.vanhooser@seattlecolleges.edu. Additional commenters will only be called upon during the meeting as time allows. If there is not enough time for all speakers, commenters will be encouraged to submit a written statement or be put on the list for oral comments at the next public meeting.

In addition, written statements are accepted by Eric VanHooser at any time. All written statements received by noon on the Friday before the Regular Board of Trustees meeting will be published in the public packet. Written statements received after that date and time will be added to the Board packet and transmitted to the Board for the following Board meeting.

The Board functions at the policy level while daily operational matters are delegated to the district and college management team. It is, therefore, not the practice of the Board to respond specific to operational issues during Public Comment period.

Public comment

No public comments were requested or made at this meeting

PRESENTATION

Washington State Labor Education Research Center (LERC) presented by: Adair Dammann, Director of LERC. She introduced staff with her and gave a overview on the history of LERC.

Welcome & Introductions

A welcome to Colleen Echohawk our newest Trustee

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Minutes from October 13, 2022

Trustee Peralta made a motion to approve the sets of minutes. Moved by Trustee Batayola, seconded by Trustee Surratt. The motion passed 4-0.

- B. Revised Budget for FY22-23

Trustee Chernin made a motion to approve the budget for 2022-2023. Moved by Trustee Batayola, seconded by Trustee Peralta. The motion passed 4-0.

- C. EcoDistrict Performance Contract and Financing Approval Request for Seattle Central College

Trustee Chernin made a motion to approve the contract. Moved by Trustee Peralta, seconded by Trustee Batayola. The motion passed 4-0.

- D. Construction Industry Training Council (CITC) Apprenticeship Instructional, Off Campus Agreement

Trustee Chernin made a motion to approve the agreement. Moved by Trustee Peralta, seconded by Trustee Batayola. The motion passed 4-0.

- E. Puget Sound Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (PSEJATC) Apprenticeship Instructional, Off Campus Agreement

Trustee Chernin made a motion to approve the agreement. Moved by Trustee Peralta, seconded by Trustee Batayola. The motion passed 4-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Updated Policy 249: Drug Free Environment 1st Reading

Jennifer Dixon provided minor updates, the only change made was the exception of alcoholic beverages at events or programs. The updated policy was shared with all three labor unions and no bargaining was requested for this policy change. Will be place on

agenda for 2nd reading at December's meeting.

2. Capital Projects Balances Report 2021-2023

Julienne DeGeyter gave an update on amounts and accelerated costs of current projects.

3. Report from ACCT Conference 2022

Trustee Louise Chernin gave an overview of the ACCT conference in New York City; there were over 1,800 attendees, including Washington State's 84 attendees with a very large turnout of our college presidents. Community Colleges across the country are facing similar concerns; Covid impact, enrollment and budget issues, and the uncertainty of national politics. Some session topics included creating a Leadership Institute and how technology and Artificial Intelligence can serve and assist students. It was mentioned that 50% of the Trustees in other states are elected not appointed by the Governor as we are in Washington State.

4. ACT Fall Conference Information

Trustee Louise Chernin announced that November 17-18 is the ACT Fall Conference at Hilton SeaTac. Associate Vice Chancellor of EDI D'Andre Fisher will be providing the Land and Labor Acknowledgment and Seattle Colleges is presenting a case on how the consideration of closing of four programs led to the creation of a Task Force on Workforce Program Development which included college faculty, industry leaders and legislators, coming together to review challenges, including funding models of workforce programs.

ORAL REPORTS

A. Student Representatives

Gracie Ochoa, North Seattle College, gave an update on the Day of Gratitude for Tuesday November 22nd at 5pm, a hosted program for people who don't have anywhere to spend the holiday. Our instructional center hosted a movie "Night of the Living Dead". Belinda Closet recently opened where students can grab professional clothing for interviews or events. There will be a Club Fair this coming week giving students the opportunity to explore different clubs.

Ronnie Kuan, Seattle Central College, reported they hosted a ballot party and discussed political issues. Also had a scary movie night and a Halloween movie, 80 to 100 people joined.

Ahmed Gumale, South Seattle College, held a welcome back BBQ was enjoyed by a large number of students, there was free food and chance to talk to other students and faculty. Working on Newsletters to include articles on resources and meetings.

B. Labor Union Representatives

Annette Stofer, AFT Seattle Community Colleges, gave a brief update.

Diane Ellis, WFSE, No report

Cody Hiatt, AFT-SPS, Cody had Muhammad Javid from the Labor Center speak on the involvement of LERC in labor and community. Mentioned the topics; of staffing, EcoDistrict agreement Fiscal year 2023- 24, and a budget balance.

C. Chancellor's Report

Dr. Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap reported that Chair Chernin and Representative Frank Chopp are working to co-author a report of action plans for the legislature to be shared with the state board. We are continuing to focus on the stabilization of our financial environment, how we plan and report on our budgets with a focus on filling the vacancies across the colleges. Recently met with Under Secretary James Kvaal and talked about how Washington state is improving the higher education systems.

D. Chair's Report

No report

E. Trustees

No report

F. College Presidents, Vice Chancellors

Earnest Phillips, Associate Vice Chancellor of Communications and Strategic Initiatives, reported that Seattle Colleges will not be partnering with Mt. Zion for our MLK event as Mt Zion is no longer able to book events; Web Development and IT have had staffing changes; and the catalog is being updated

D'Andre Fisher, Associate Vice Chancellor of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, introduced the new EDI staff that were recently hired at all three colleges; there was a surprise presentation of gifts to welcome to new Trustee Echohawk; announcements were made of events for Native American Heritage month in November; and Seattle colleges was number 3 for attendance at the Student and Staff of Color on conference in Pasco, Washington.

Chemene Crawford, President of North Seattle College, had visit from Under Secretary James Kvaal who came to talk to North about the immigration program and had a tour.

Bradley Lane, Interim President of Seattle Central College: reported that Central had a mid-cycle accreditation visit with positive feedback that Central is meeting its goals and, in many areas exceeding them.

Joe Barrientos, South Seattle College, reported: student leaders had a farmers market pop up, supporting 80 students and their families. Guided pathways program has a new director and is going very well.

Kurt Buttleman, Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Success, discussed the VCASS staff meeting where they talked about items we are proud of, including events, system stabilization, and student success programs.

Jennifer Dixon, Vice Chancellor Human Resources, reported they are filling vacancies as quickly as possible. The payroll department just finished signing a lot of Student Forgiveness loan paperwork, and open enrollment for health plans is now available for 2023.

Julienne DeGeyter, Interim Vice Chancellor of Finance and Operations, announced it's her first week on the job. She will meet with Budget Directors next week and has extended some budget training to all colleges; her team started a user group that meets with users in ctc to share techniques.

Kerry Howell, Vice Chancellor of Advancement, announced that the foundation had a successful last month, and is still counting donations from Momentum, currently at 2.7 million. There will be a written report in December since funds are still coming in and wrapping up year end. Seattle Times is going to give us promotional coverage through the end of this next year, likely a public service announcement.

Cindy Riche, Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer, thankful to who all attended today and to her staff in assisting with new technology at these meetings.

RECALL ACTION ITEM

The original motion for action item below was rescinded due to language update for agreement with SBCTC, a subsidiary motion was made for a revote, moved by Trustee Peralta seconded by Trustee Chernin

D. EcoDistrict Performance Contract and Financing Approval Request for Seattle Central College (updated EcoDistrict service project language provided) Read by Chair Chernin to the group

Trustee Chernin made a motion to approve the contract. Moved by Trustee Peralta, seconded by Trustee Batayola. The motion passed 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at Seattle Central College, BE1110/1111. There will be a Study Session at 2:00 p.m., and the Regular Meeting will follow at 3:00 p.m.