

**MEETING OF TRUSTEES
GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

August 9, 2016

Trustees Present: Merilyn Douglass, Jeff Crist, Steve Martinez, Melvin Neufeld, Terri Worf,

Others Present: Debra Atkinson, Deputy Clerk
Ron Carlson, Physics/Cyber Security Instructor
Dr. William Friesen, Chemistry Instructor
John Green, Athletic Director
Ryan Grubbs, Automotive Instructor
Ammie Jones, Psychology/Social Science Instructor
Shelli Lalicker, Biology Instructor
Larry Pander, Fire Science Instructor/Faculty Senate Representative
Ryan Ruda, Vice President of Student Services/Instruction
Perla Salazar, Math Instructor
Susan Sharp, *Telegram*
Jeff Southern, IT Director
Jane Stevenor, English Instructor
Tammy Tabor, SGA Student Advisor and Director of Enrollment Management
Kristi Tempel, Public Relations
Elizabeth Tharman, Anatomy and Physiology Instructor
Samantha Trejo, Admissions Assistant
Jerrad Webb, Director of Workforce
Dee Wigner, Executive Vice President
Herbert Swender, President

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Crist called the regular board meeting to order at 5:51 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC REGARDING BUDGET:

Chair Crist noted that no one from the public had registered to make comments regarding proposed budget.

Chair Crist then asked for comments or questions from the board regarding the 2016-2017 budget, which had been reviewed in depth at the July 12 board of trustee meeting and published in the Garden City Telegram July 25.

Motion:

Neufeld moved, seconded by Martinez, that the Board of Trustees certify that the budget hearing was held, that the budget was duly approved and adopted as the maximum expenditure for the various funds for the year 2016-2017, certify the 2016 tax to be Levied at \$8,842,437 (19.988 mills) General Fund and \$447,267 for Capital Outlay (1.011 mills).

Ayes: Crist, Douglass, Martinez, Neufeld, Worf

Nays: None

Motion carried: 5-0

Chair Crist commended the administration for their efforts in keeping the mill levy at the same level as last year, with no recommended tax increase. Chair Crist praised GCCC administration, staff, and faculty for all the things taking place that have helped with the continued enrollment growth. Chair Crist went on to state that

what is transpiring at GCCC comparatively speaking to enrollment levels at other colleges is very impressive, and GCCC is head and shoulders above the rest in their efforts.

Chair Crist moved immediately into the business of the regular board meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

- Chair Crist made the following comments:
- Fall Classes will begin at GCCC August 16.
- Chair Crist extended a warm welcome to all students, faculty and staff for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Chair Crist reminded Trustees that the Policy Governance retreat will be held September 21, from 8:00a.m.-4:40 p.m.
- Chair Crist noted that Busters first home football game is September 3.

OPEN COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Chair Crist noted that no one from the public had registered to make comments.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES:

Ryan Ruda, Vice President of Student Services/Instruction, introduced new employees, Samantha Trejo, Admissions Assistant, Ron Carlson, Physics/Cyber Security Instructor, Ammie Jones, Psychology/Social Science Instructor, Ryan Grubbs, Automotive Technology Instructor, Perla Salazar, Math Instructor, Dr. William Friesen, Chemistry Instructor, Shelli Lalicker, Biology Instructor, Jane Stevenor, English Instructor, Elizabeth Tharman, Anatomy and Physiology Instructor.

Dr. Swender welcomed the GCCC employees and presented each with a GCCC Broncbuster lapel pin.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

This portion of the meeting is related to student accomplishments, activities, campus visitors, and special events that have taken place in the GCCC campus community since the last Board of Trustee meeting.

Dr. Swender noted that GCCC Meats Judging Team left on July 1 for Wagga Wagga, Australia to compete in the world championship. GCCC was the only community college meats judging team invited to participate at the world championship at Charles Sturt University. Official results had GCCC placing fifth overall in the fourteen team field. GCCC Meats Team participant Leah Parsons was second overall.

Progress is being made on the athletic complex parking lot. The project is on schedule and should be complete for the first part of September.

Task Force Broncbuster Ribbon Cutting was held on July 27 to celebrate the new partnership between GCCC and Kansas National Guard. The new linkage will provide an opportunity for soldiers to gain valuable civilian and military education in a traditional student setting on the Garden City Community College campus. In addition to educational access, this new partnership will provide Kansas National Guard soldiers with access to a Readiness Center for use in accomplishing military training. The Kansas National Guard will have offices located on the main campus of GCCC. This unique partnership will focus on soldier academic and military success, made possible by soldiers' ability to utilize GCCC's infrastructure to train and get a degree at the same time. This arrangement is the first of its kind amongst community colleges in Kansas. The new linkage will provide an opportunity for soldiers to gain valuable civilian and military education in a traditional student setting on the Garden City Community College campus.

Dr. Swender shared that the memorial garden and bench in memory of Carolyn Klassen has been completed. A dedication ceremony will take place after Labor Day.

Dr. Swender commended Resident Life Assistants (RA's). All were introduced at GCCC's employee in-service.

GCCC Employee in-service was held Monday, August 8. Anna Wynn, District Recruiter for "The Buckle", was the keynote speaker. Anna is the area manager of The Buckle based in Liberal, Kansas, and currently oversees several stores. Anna spoke on the theme of "Who Moved the Cheese", and talked about changing mindsets to moving forward towards excellence. Wynn talked about the difference between "interested" employees and "committed" employees. She also encouraged employees to anticipate change, not to get comfortable, and to adapt quickly.

Over 25 area law enforcement personnel from the Sheriff's Department, City of Garden City Police Department, Garden City Community College Police, State Patrol, and the Finney County Game Warden were on hand Monday, August 8 to be honored at a VIP Law Enforcement Dinner. The dinner was designed to connect law enforcement personnel with GCCC coaches and college personnel to create a sense of community, as well as honoring our local law enforcement for their service.

Dr. Swender noted that new student orientation will be held August 11 – 13. Students will all be checked into residential dorms and housing on Thursday, and activities are planned for Friday and Saturday.

Dr. Swender reminded trustees that GCCC will have a marching band this year. GCCC Band and Drum Line had their very first practice earlier today.

Dr. Swender stated that Broncbuster's first home football game is Saturday, September 3. Kickoff is at 1:00 p.m. with tailgating beginning around 11:30.

Dr. Swender drew Trustees attention to the 2015 Annual report of Garden City Community College. This document also serves as archive of the history of the college for the past year. Dr. Swender commended all involved in the compilation of this data.

Chair Crist thanked Dr. Swender for his report and remarked that the above events and activities speak to the progressive leadership of the college.

HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION OVERVIEW:

Ryan Ruda, Vice President of Student Services/Instruction, reported that GCCC has been preparing two documents for the accreditation process including the Assurance Argument, and the Federal Compliance Packet. The documents are undergoing edits, and will be uploaded once complete. Listening sessions will continue with employees and formal preparation for the visit will be coordinated via faculty, staff and administration. The Higher Learning Commission visit is scheduled for October 17-19, 2016.

REPORT FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

No report was given.

Dr. Swender took this opportunity to introduce five-time national champion and two-time stunt champ, Oklahoma State Head Cheer coach, Dr. Lindsay Bracken to all in attendance. Dr. Bracken, at the invitation of GCCC Head Cheer Coach, Bryce Knapp, is at GCCC holding a cheer clinic for Buster Cheer Squad. President Swender is also an OSU alum.

REPORT FROM FACULTY SENATE:

Larry Pander, Fire Science Instructor/Faculty Senate Representative, shared that a memorial bench and garden had been completed in front of the Pauline Joyce Fine Arts Building earlier this week. Dedication will take place after Labor Day.

Pander thanked everyone involved in helping to make the memorial happen. Preparations for the new year are underway, with the first faculty senate meeting held on Thursday, August 11. Pander went on to say that lines of communication between faculty and administration were very open and information is being shared freely regarding new programs and ideas.

Dr. Swender took a few minutes to report to Trustees regarding a recent Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference meeting. Discussion revolved around the fact that the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) rules have been updated over the years. The nineteen schools in the Kansas Jayhawk conference have not updated many of their rules and regulations, and in fact, rules currently impose out of state student limits to rosters for football, and basketball. There are currently no limits for the other 14 of the 17 Kansas NJCAA sports like softball, baseball, or volleyball, etc. Dr. Swender went on to share that The National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) rules have been updated over the years, but in his view the KJCCC has chosen arbitrarily to keep the same early 1960's rules.

GCCC administration has proposed to the conference that these rules are subjective and clearly outdated. Restrictions are in place that limit students who want to come play and pay their own way. Dr. Swender went on to share that students are hurt when denied access and opportunity to try out and play intercollegiate sports; and losing enrollment is detrimental to the business model of the GCCC and all Kansas community colleges. As an example, current restrictions for football (20 out of state students) adversely affected the number of students that could have played GCCC football. 47% of the rosters over the last 9 years have not had a full Kansas roster. Last year alone, there were 40 unfilled position for Kansas students to play football. Dr. Swender noted that other conferences and colleges that GCCC compete against like the Iowa colleges do not fall under the same restrictions. In summary, this is an issue that may need to get focused attention at the next KACC trustees meeting. At this point the conference presidents are literally split on the decision to make any changes to our 1960's rules and regulations.

At this time the following motion was made.

Motion:

Douglass moved, seconded by Worf to as a Board, verbally, support Dr. Swender, GCCC President, John Green, GCCC Athletic Director, and Melvin Neufeld, GCCC board member, in their efforts to change Jayhawk conference rules concerning athletics.

Ayes: Crist, Douglass, Martinez, Neufeld, Worf

Nays: None

Motion carried: 5-0

Dr. Swender indicated that the next step would be to prepare for the next meeting in March.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Chair Crist asked if Trustees wished to remove any items from the consent agenda. No items were removed.

Chair Crist then asked for a motion approving consent agenda items III-A-D.

Motion:

Worf moved, seconded by Martinez to approve consent agenda items, III-A-C as presented.

Ayes: Crist, Douglass, Martinez, Neufeld, Worf

Nays: None

Motion carried: 5-0

Approved actions follow:

(A) APPROVED MINUTES of previous meeting (July 12, 2016, July 20, 2016)

(Supporting documents filed with official minutes.)

(B) APPROVED PERSONNEL ADJUNCT/OUTREACH CONTRACTS, as presented

(Supporting documents filed with official minutes.)

(C) APPROVED SUBMITTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION, as presented

(Supporting documents filed with official minutes.)

BOARD PROCESS AND POLICY GOVERNANCE REVIEW:

Trustees indicated they had received and reviewed the following monitoring reports:

- Annual, Executive Limitations, Treatment of People Preamble, #1, #6

Trustees agreed to accept monitoring reports as presented.

REPORT FROM FINNEY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

No report was given.

REPORT FROM KACCT/COP:

- Next KACCT quarterly meeting will be held on the campus of Seward County Community College in September.

OWNERSHIP LINKAGE:

Chair Crist reported that the GCCC Board of Trustees are actively engaged in determination of board vacancy selection and will have an appointment by the September 21 Policy Governance Retreat.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was held.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS:

September 15	Scholarship Celebration, 5:30-7:00 p.m., DPAC, back gym
September 17	Buster Football @ Hutchinson Community College, 12:00 p.m.
September 21	Policy Governance Retreat, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Endowment Room, Beth Tedrow Student Center
October 1	Buster Football @ HOME, VS Butler Community College, 7:00 p.m.
October 3-14	GCCC Endowment Association Phonathon
October 11	Monthly meeting of GCCC Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m., Endowment Room, Beth Tedrow Student Center

Debra J. Atkinson
Deputy Clerk

Herbert J. Swender
President

Jeff Crist
Chair of the Board