

## Washington Association of Community and Technical Colleges Board of Presidents

## **BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

## JULY 8, 2022 SKAMANIA LODGE

#### **Members Present**

Lin Zhou, Bates

Sara Thompson Tweedy, Big Bend

Bob Mohrbacher, Centralia

Karin Edwards, Clark

Joyce Loveday, Clover Park

Rebekah Woods, Columbia Basin

Amit Singh, Edmonds

Darrell Cain, Everett

Suzanne Johnson, Green River

John Mosby, Highline

Amy Morrison, Lake Washington

Chris Bailey, Lower Columbia

Chemene Crawford, North Seattle

Marty Cavalluzzi, Olympic

Suzanne Ames, Peninsula

Michele Johnson, Pierce College

Julie White, Pierce Fort Steilacoom

Matthew Campbell, Pierce Puyallup

Yoshiko Harden, Renton

Wendy Rockhill, Seattle Central

Jack Kahn, Shoreline

Chris Villa, Skagit

Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap, South Seattle

Kevin Brockbank, Spokane

Kimberlee Messina, Spokane Falls

Chad Hickox, Walla Walla

Kathi Hiyane-Brown, Whatcom

#### **Substitutes**

Darin Jones for Ed Brewster, Grays Harbor Marissa Schlesinger for Ivan Harrell, Tacoma

#### **Members Absent**

Gary Locke, Bellevue

Kim Perry, Bellingham

Eric Murray, Cascadia

Tim Stokes, South Puget Sound

Christine Johnson, CC of Spokane

Ivan Harrell, Tacoma

Jim Richardson, Wenatchee Valley

Linda Kaminski, Yakima Valley

#### Ex-Officio Members — SBCTC

Jan Yoshiwara, executive director Choi Halladay, deputy executive director, BO Carli Schiffner, deputy executive director, ED

#### **Guests and SBCTC Staff**

Greg Deitzel, ACT president

Pat Shuman, ACT president-elect

Cherie Berthon, SBCTC

Paul Francis, SBCTC

Arlen Harris, SBCTC

Laura McDowell, SBCTC

Ha Nguyen, SBCTC

Kim Tanaka, SBCTC

Julie Walter, SBCTC

#### **Call to Order and Welcome**

Chris Bailey, WACTC president-elect, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m., and welcomed those present.

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that WACTC approve the June 3, 2022 minutes without

corrections.

MOTION PASSED.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Chris Bailey presented the treasurer's report with a current balance of \$12,036.51.

## **Executive Committee Report — Chris Bailey, WACTC president**

Small group discussions were held to discuss significant challenges facing the individual colleges and the system.

## **Technology Committee Report — Kimberlee Messina, chair**

The committee's priority for the year is to understand and launch the new ctcLink Operational Governance Model.

## Capital Budget Committee Report — Rebekah Woods, chair

Darrell Jennings has been hired as SBCTC's new capital budget director replacing Wayne Doty, who is retiring.

#### **Draft committee work plan**

Based on the results of the survey sent out soliciting topics and themes on which the committee should focus, the top four topics for discussion and/or exploration for presidents are:

- How the built environment can promote diversity, equity and inclusion
- Aging campus infrastructure
- Evolving technology needs in buildings
- How the built environment can help close opportunity gaps

## Operating Budget Committee Report — Kevin Brockbank, chair

#### **Draft committee work plan**

- 2023-25 operating budget priorities
- Fiscal year 2024 allocation methodologies
- Setting the structure for the allocation model review

#### 2023-25 operating budget priorities

• Increase compensation: Increase salaries for all employees, supported with 100% state funding.\* Funds are needed to help to equalize salaries within and among employee groups, including adjunct or part-time faculty. Colleges are struggling to recruit and retain faculty and staff in several areas. These challenges cannot be addressed unless our college system can keep pace with industry and K-12.

	FY 24	FY 25	Total
I-732 COLA*	7.8%	3.5%	11.3%
SALARY REQUEST	<u>6.2%</u>	6.0%`	<u>12.2%</u>
TOTAL	14.0%	9.5%	23.5%

\*I-732 is a mandatory COLA for all college faculty and technical college classified based on Seattle CPI. Community college classified employees are represented by WFSE and WPEA. Their salary increases are bargained in a statewide coalition led by the governor and OFM. WFSE and WPEA salary increases for the next biennium are being bargained now and will be complete at the time the system budget is submitted to the Legislature.

- Support for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) efforts: Support and expand EDI efforts
  focused on faculty, staff and students. ESSB 5194 and 5227 provided additional legislative
  input on the ongoing EDI efforts at colleges. As colleges finalize their EDI plans for the
  coming years, additional resources will be needed to implement those plans to effect
  meaningful change.
  - Budget request will include funding for the key themes included in colleges' EDI strategic plans. Those will be submitted to the State Board by July 30, 2022.
  - The request will include flexible funding so that colleges can take their EDI work to the next level.
- Ensure learning and access in high-flex environment: Colleges must be secure in the near term and make investments to prepare for the educational framework of tomorrow. Funds would help upgrade aging equipment and infrastructure, ensure adequate staffing and training, and integrate cybersecurity throughout college technology platforms. Improvements to infrastructure, technology access, staff training, and support will help students successfully navigate academic, student support, and engagement experiences in a modern, high-flex learning environment.
  - Budget request will seek flexible funding to support several potential investments, including:
    - High-flex classroom upgrades
    - Professional development
    - Student equipment and connectivity
- Support for high-demand / high-cost programs: Colleges need sustainable funding for high-demand / high-cost programs requiring specialized equipment, costly consumables, and small class sizes. In many cases, these programs are the only pipeline into a specialized workforce. These funds would allow colleges to directly support employers in their district who are struggling to find workers.
  - Request will focus on the importance of robust, modern equipment, technology, materials and consumables in our high-demand / high-cost programs.

 Request will not define "high demand" but will provide a sampling of examples across the system to illustrate the challenge of operating an increasing number of high-cost programs in the current environment.

# Legislative and Public Information Committee Report — Amy Morrison, chair Legislative advocacy checklist

- Meet with your local legislators this summer and fall, preferably with a student, trustee and faculty/staff.
- Provide legislators a local perspective on our upcoming operating budget requests a post-pandemic student success package based on the lessons we learned during COVID.
- Start planning for two visits with legislators in Olympia during session, preferably with a student, trustee and faculty/staff.
- Plan to attend the ACT meeting Nov. 18 in SeaTac, which will focus on legislative advocacy.

#### Statewide advertising campaign: Big Future. Small Price Tag.

The committee recommended, and the executive committee concured, not to continue the statewide advertising campaign past September. The committee took into account the financial hardships colleges are facing right now and the Public Information Commission's perspective that scarce advertising dollars are better invested locally.

## **Educational Services Committee Report — Sara Thompson Tweedy, chair**

### **Draft committee work plan**

- Promising Practice Exchange
- Monitor Financial Aid Equity Audit Workgroup activities
- Monitor Mental Health Counseling and Services Pilot Program

## **Equity Committee — Julie White, chair**

#### Draft committee work plan

- Act as the advisory body to the proposed guidance and support to the system for the delivery and implementation of the E2SSB 5227/5194.
  - A Presidents' Academy will be held in October or November to discuss the legislative requirements.
- Establish a process for exploring and engaging the work of the grassroots DEI in WA CTCs workgroups.
- Student Residency: Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) <u>Affidavit</u> and Washington College Grant.
- Equity-focused allocation model review.
  - o A Presidents' Academy will be held at the July 2023 retreat to discuss the review.

## Trustees Report — Greg Deitzel, ACT president

#### **ACT** event schedule

- ACCT Leadership Congress: Oct. 26-29, 2022, New York, NY
- ACT Legislative Action Committee Retreat: Nov. 17, 2022, SeaTac, WA
- ACT Fall Conference: Nov. 18, 2022, SeaTac, WA
- ACT Winter Legislative Contact Conference: Jan. 23-24, 2023, Olympia, WA
  - New Trustee Orientation: Jan. 23, 2023
  - o Transforming Lives Awards dinner: Jan. 23, 2023
- ACCT National Legislative Summit: Feb. 5-8, 2023, Washington, D.C.

### **State Board Report — Jan Yoshiwara, executive director**

Updates were provided on:

- Conversation with the Nursing Commission regarding clinical hour requirements.
- <u>Directive of the Governor 22-13</u>: COVID-19 vaccination standards for state employees
- Director of Leadership Development position
- Pell Grant 50-year anniversary: June 23, 2022
- Executive director transition

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the July 8, 2022 Board of Presidents meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting will be Oct. 6-7, 2022 via Zoom.

Minutes prepared by Julie Walter