

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**GREAT BASIN COLLEGE (GBC)  
Institutional Advisory Council  
1500 College Parkway  
Elko, Nevada 89801  
Thursday, March 17, 2016, 7:00 am (PST)  
BERG HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

Video Conference from the Meeting Site to:

Great Basin College – Battle Mountain Center  
835 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., GBC, BM3,  
Battle Mountain, Nevada

Great Basin College – Winnemucca Center  
5490 Kluncy Canyon Rd., GBC 115  
Winnemucca, Nevada

Great Basin College – Ely Center  
2115 Bobcat Dr., GBC 118  
Ely, Nevada

Great Basin College  
GBC, Wells, Nevada

Great Basin College – Pahrump Valley Center  
551 E. Calvada Blvd., GBC PVC 124  
Pahrump, Nevada

Great Basin College  
GBC, Wendover HST-2, Wendover, Nevada

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## APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

*Call to Order of the Great Basin College Institutional Advisory Council 7:03 AM BY Matt McCarty*

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members in Attendance:** Brianne Clark, Susan Davis, Mark Kimball, Kent McAdoo, Matt McCarty, Don Miller, Will Moschetti, Dave Roden

**Absent:** Dr. Andrew Bath, Dr. Hugh Collett, Laura DelRio, Vince Juaristi, Chris Melville, Jolene Supp

**Others in Attendance:** Greg Brorby, Mark Curtis, Mardell Wilkins, Lynn Mahlberg, Mike McFarlane, Sonja Sibert, Robert Hannu, Lisa Campbell, Tom Reagan, Amber Donnelly, Veronica Nelson, John Albrecht, Mary Doucette

- 1. Public Comment** (*see foregoing notation regarding public comment*)  
None.

**Information**

**2. Approval of Minutes – Matt McCarty** **Information/Action**

The GBC Institutional Advisory Council reviewed the minutes of the GBC IAC meeting on January 21, 2016 and the Special Meeting of the GBC IAC on February 18, 2016. **MOTION:** by Dave Roden to approve the minutes of both meetings; seconded by Will Moschetti; motion was **APPROVED.**

**3. President's Report – Dr. Mark Curtis** **Information**

GBC President Mark Curtis provided the GBC IAC with updates on the following subjects:

- A. State College - President Curtis reported the State College plan has been accepted by the chair of the Board of Regents, the chair of the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee and will go to the full Board of Regents as an information item at their June meeting. President Curtis will do a formal presentation at that time. There could be action on the item as early as the September Board of Regents' meeting. There may be a need for people to talk about it at the public comment period in September. President Curtis presented his draft presentation to the IAC for input. Discussion and comments to improve the presentation were given to President Curtis by the IAC. Mark Kimball asked if there is any opposition. President Curtis stated that there is more support at the Regents level than what you would think. The vote won't be unanimous. It will still be very challenging to get the vote, but President Curtis is optimistic. There was a discussion on delaying the vote until 2017 when there will be new Regents seated.
- B. Pahrump Land Acquisition Update – President Curtis reported we are getting the campus plans updated. He will provide an update at the next meeting.
- C. Budget Enhancement Request – President Curtis reported that GBC, and all state agencies, have been told to expect a 5% budget reduction. That is \$550,000 for GBC. President Curtis believes we will gain some money with weighted student credit hours for work force developments classes. President Curtis and his executive staff are preparing a contingency plan for worst case scenarios.

**4. GBC Foundation Update – Greg Brorby** **Information**

GBC Foundation Director Greg Brorby gave an update on Foundation activities. Greg reported there is a donor appreciation event planned for April 7<sup>th</sup> that will showcase what the department are doing and what their needs are with the highlight being the Virtual Humanities Center. There will be a VHC presentation in the Theatre. August 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the grant match.

Greg reported the Alumni Association Taskforce has established a mission statement and guiding principles. They are working on a fee structure and benefits. They hope to launch at the May commencement.

**5. Board of Regents' Community College Committee Update – Matt McCarty** **Information**

GBC IAC Chair Matt McCarty gave an update on the previous meeting of the NSHE Board of Regents' Community College Committee. Matt reported the IAC chairs presented and the Presidents talked about programs. Matt presented a report to the full Board of Regents' meeting. They were concerned and want to be sure the IACs had industry represented. Matt reported to them that we are quite happy with the representation that we currently have on the IAC. In his report Matt also mentioned that the GBC IAC was disappointed that Gov. Sandoval gave \$1 million to WGU and is making commercials for them. The money actually did not come from state funds but from USA Funds. President Curtis added that WGU will not be a threat to us as you have to be a fulltime student and it is \$3,000 every 6 months for one class or how every many classes that you can. Seventy percent of our students are part-time and its cheaper. The IAC was disappointed that the Governor would publicly support WGU when GBC has similar offerings and an outstanding reputation for offering online degrees.

#### 6. Vice President Reports and Questions

Information

The GBC Vice Presidents will give a verbal report and answer any questions:

- A. Academic Affairs/Assessment – Dr. Mike McFarlane reported the accreditation report was submitted on February 29, 2016. The accreditation visit will be April 13-14, 2016. The full visit will be in April 2020. The emphasis going forward will be on assessment and planning. We have to assess everything that we do in all areas. Dr. McFarlane announce he will be retiring after the accreditation visit next month with June being his last month. In other news Dr. McFarlane reported the two bachelor degrees were approved. The two new degrees were split from the BAIPS to be their own degree program (Social Science and Natural Resources). President Curtis thanked Dr. McFarlane for his 33 years of service to the college.
- B. Student Services– Lynn Mahlberg reported that the partnership meeting with the 10 county school districts went very well. The focus of the meeting was dual enrollment. There is a Career Fair scheduled for the Elko Campus on April 12<sup>th</sup>. There is a big open house scheduled for March 28 in Pahrump for nursing students on the synchronized learning. A nursing student won 1<sup>st</sup> place at a national poster contest. Our students compete very well at the national level.
- C. Business Affairs – Sonja Sibert reported the biennial budget planning process has started. Deadlines for submitting the budgets are the 1<sup>st</sup> week in April. We are planning for the audit and financial statements for the year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>. Sonja has been busy with the WorkDay implementation process. There has been two rounds of testing. We are one year into the project and there may be some adjustments to the project time lines.

#### 7. Formal Support of the State College Concept – *Matt McCarty*

Information/Action

The GBC IAC discussed a draft letter of support and there was discussion on whether to spell Great Basin College out every time it is mentioned in the letter or spell it out the first time and use GBC thereafter. **MOTION:** by Will Moschetti to approve the letter of support for state college; seconded by Don Miller; motion was **APPROVED** unanimously.

**8. Member Report**

**Information**

Each committee member will be given an opportunity to provide a verbal report.

- A. Ely - *Dr. Andrew Bath no present.*
- B. Elko – Brianne Clark – no report.
- C. Elko - Dr. Hugh Collett - not present; no report.
- D. Battle Mountain - Susan Davis reported on the County building that the college was hoping to take over. The pipes broke over Christmas and now the building is gutted for repair. We still do not know if we will be taking the building over. On another note, Susan reported that students are taking a great interest in what is happening on the national political front.
- E. Wells - Laura DelRio - not present; no report.
- F. Washington DC - Vince Juaristi - not present; no report.
- G. Pahump - Mark Kimball reported a committee was formed for land acquisition and they are working with the planning commission and the county road input. They are making great progress.
- H. Elko - Kent McAdoo - no report.
- I. Elko - Matt McCarty reported the Elko Area Chamber Government Affairs Committee is keeping an eye on the political things like the commerce tax discussion. The Chamber did not vote in support of the referendum petition and they are neutral for the commerce tax. Elko County is looking into enhancing the 911 for north east Nevada. They currently do not have the ability to know where a line is calling from and they have to do a reverse look up through Frontier or the cell phone carrier. If it goes it would mean \$.25 additional per month per phone line. For businesses it would be \$2.50/line. Matt also reported the Elko Meeting Center is doing very well.
- J. Wendover - Chris Melville - not present; no report.
- K. Elko - Don Miller - no report.
- L. Elko - Will Moschetti reported the Rotary club recently hosted young business women from Russia. Will also mentioned the Elko Daily Free Press editorial in favor of GBC becoming a state college.
- M. Winnemucca - Dave Roden recommended Lisa Campbell provide the report. Lisa Campbell reported this year's Regent Scholar Award is going to Alicia Leon a Winnemucca nursing student. The Winnemucca center is hosting a community career fair on April 7<sup>th</sup>. This is the first time and there are thirty committed businesses so far.
- N. Wells - Jolene Supp - not present; no report.

**9. New Business**

**Information**

Bob Dolezal thanked everyone for the work that they are doing on behalf of Great Basin College and wished good luck at the Board of Regents' meeting. The next scheduled meeting is May 19, 2016.

**10. Public Comment** (*see foregoing notation regarding public comment*)

**Information**

None.

**11. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned by Chair Matt McCarty at 8:25 a.m.

**Information**