

# PUBLIC MEETING

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE (GBC)  
Institutional Advisory Council  
1500 College Parkway  
Elko, Nevada 89801  
Thursday, September 17, 2020 7:00 am (PST)

Great Basin College  
Institutional Advisory Council Meeting  
September 17, 2020  
MINUTES

## 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

GBC IAC Chair John Tierney called the meeting to order at 7:00 am and a roll call was taken. There was a quorum.

### **Present:**

Delmo Andreozzi  
Billie Crapo  
Barbara Gallagher Kidwell  
Caroline McIntosh  
Wil Moschetti  
Dave Roden  
John Tierney

### **Absent:**

Andrea Astgarloa  
Chris Melville  
Don Miller  
Jolene Supp

### **Others Present:**

Amy Damele  
Bret Murphy  
Brian Zeiszler  
Craig Von Collenberg  
Diane Wrightman  
Jake Rivera  
Joyce Helens

Karl Stevens  
Mardell Dorsa  
Mary Doucette  
Nate Mackinnon  
Sonja Sibert  
Veronica Nielsen  
William Brown

## 2. Public Comment

No public comment.

### 3. **Approval of Minutes**

GBC Institutional Advisory Council reviewed the minutes of the GBC IAC meeting on January 16, 2020. Dave Roden made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes; Wil Moschetti seconded the **MOTION**; motion was **APPROVED**.

### 4 **Review/Approve Meeting Dates for 2020-2021**

GBC Institutional Advisory Council reviewed proposed meeting schedule for 2020-2021. All meetings will begin at 7:00 am. Wil Moschetti made a **MOTION** to approve the proposed meeting schedule; Delmo Andreozzi seconded the **MOTION**; motion was **APPROVED**.

September 17, 2020

November 19, 2020

January 21, 2021

March 18, 2021

May 20, 2021

### 5. **GBC IAC Chair Report**

- A. Discussion on the GBC IAC membership and the four vacancies. Discussed the importance of having the mining community represented on the IAC. Also, discussed the importance of having representation from Jackpot and Wendover. Please contact President Helens with any recommendations. It is the president who nominates people for IAC membership to the Board of Regents' Chair who will make the appointment. President Helens mentioned a school board member in Wendover who may be interested in serving as well as a member of a local union. President Helens and John Tierney will meet and discuss so that there is good representation for the areas we serve.
- B. Community College Committee Meeting Update – The Community College Committee will be looking at its mission to ensure it is relevant. Wil Moschetti reminded the group of the discussion from the last GBC IAC meeting and the recommendation to change the language regarding multiple terms. The current language doesn't allow for second or multiple terms.

### 6. **IAC Member Reports**

GBC IAC members provided individual reports.

Wil Moschetti wanted to remind people that ZOOM security is not good so be cautious.

Caroline McIntosh thanked GBC for the three robust workforce programs implemented in Ely and most recently the RN program. The workforce development meeting with the college and Senator Rosen was very productive as well.

Delmo Andreozzi acknowledged the contributions that GBC is making in dealing with the pandemic. The contact tracing led by Dr. Donnelly and her team are second to none. Positivity rate seems to be high but that means they are doing a good job with the contact tracing. It is an incredible asset that we have in the community via GBC. The level of work and skill is a model that is used around the state.

## **7. President's Report**

President Helens reported since the closure of facilities due to the pandemic she has been conducting weekly ZOOM meetings with all departments. She also has weekly update meetings with all GBC faculty and staff which garners 100 employees or more in attendance via ZOOM.

GBC created base protocol to finished CTE and Nursing students who were interrupted. GBC was the first in the state to finish the CTE students with no problems and no cases. GBC had the first student case reported a week ago. Our procedures were followed, and it was contained. If we follow our protocols strictly, we should be ok. President Helens is proud of our contact tracers. It has been a big emotional strain for them. People are not happy when they are contacted, and some are mean.

President Helens thanked Jennifer Sprout and her team for the wonderful work they continue to do. Our enrollments for summer were up by 28% FTE. There was a 6% increase in FTE for fall over last fall's booming numbers. We are staying the course for spring. Housing is full with limitations. Commencements were cancelled. We are online except for nursing and technical programs.

President Helens briefly talked about the implications of the pandemic regarding the budget. GBC initially underwent cuts of an 14%. Because of our case load growth, we are in a better place than some institutions. The Regents wanted to see scenarios that would protect GBC and WNC. More cuts are expected. GBC will be going into a second round of curricular review. It will be a more difficult process. We are looking at how we can survive this and come out still serving rural Nevada and our communities. We need to retain these students.

President Helens reported that GBC has opened the Child Care Center with very strict protocols.

The GBC accreditation visit has been postponed a couple of times due to the pandemic. It has now been rescheduled as a virtual visit for September 28-30<sup>th</sup>. This will be a big change for the college. We now have data to show what a great college we are (evidence) and the stories to back up the evidence.

## **8. Vice President for Student & Academic Affairs Report**

Jake Rivera reported the fall registration cycle was a success with a 6 % increase over last fall. We may see a double increase by the time we report the final number. This cycle has been unlike any registration cycle he has seen in his career. His team hit every goal that was put in place. They knocked it out of the park. The pandemic has changed traditional practices forever. We added additional late starting classes. Dual enrollment has grown. Working on some virtual options for commencement which was cancelled in May. GBC awarded 649 degrees. There as 530 total graduates – 232 in Elko, 25 in Battle Mountain, 34 in Ely, 104 in Winnemucca, 80 in Pahrump, and online campus – 55. Nine high school students received a GBC degree as well as graduated from high school.

Student Affairs has hired a new housing coordinator and student disability coordinator.

Academic Affairs has been busy with many grant opportunities. Additional technology equipment is needed for the Paramedic EMT program, CDL simulation equipment is needed, and IAV upgrades are needed in Ely and Elko.

Wil Moschetti mention the Anthony Around Town segment that interviewed Jake was invaluable and good exposure for the college.

**9. Faculty Senate Update**

Brian Zeisler reported that Faculty Senate will have their 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the semester tomorrow. Faculty Senate Committee are active and working on business. The General Education committee is working to make INT classes more transferable. The Faculty Senate will focus on facing the upcoming challenges including accreditation.

**10. Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges Report**

**Information**

Nate Mackinnon reported that the new Chancellor, Dr. Melody Rose, is in northern Nevada touring WNC this morning. She was appointed in June and began September 1<sup>st</sup>. Chancellor Reilly will remain as a consultant. Chancellor Rose comes to us from Oregon. As time allows, she will be coming to Elko to meet all of you in person. He congratulated President Helens and announced the Board granted her another year to her contract at their last meeting.

Regent McAdoo is now the chair of the Community College Committee. She has already hit the ground running. She will continue to push community college issues. Regent Doubrava was elected chairman of the Board of Regents and Regent DelCarlo was elected as vice chair.

The UNR search committee recommended Brian Sandoval as the next president of UNR. Keith Whitfield is the new president of UNLV. It was announced earlier this year that Caleb Cage was tapped to lead the state's Covid Response team, so he has had to resign as Asst. Vice Chancellor of Workforce Development and Community Colleges. Nate introduced and welcomed Craig Von Collenberg as the new Assistant Vice Chancellor of Workforce Development and Community Colleges.

Vice Chancellor Mackinnon echoed the comments made by Delmo Andreozzi and President Helens regarding the excellent work the contract tracers are doing. Dean Donnelly and her team have surely risen to the task and filled a void the state had.

Vice Chancellor Mackinnon reported the CARES money was approved in April. It is a couple of million dollars of one-time money for workforce development. There are two grants opportunities underway. The reimaging of the workforce grant and the strengthening community colleges grant. The 4 community colleges worked as a consortium to secure a \$2.4 million 4-year grant to expand apprentice programs at the four community colleges. If you know of an employer who is interested in working formally with GBC on apprenticeship programs, please let the president know.

President Helens added that GBC has tentatively secured additional funding to be able to build the Winnemucca health sciences technology building. Embargoed information, so a formal announcement will be made later. All will be presented to the Board of Regents for their approval at the December meeting.

**11. New Business**

No new business.

**12. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**13. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 a.m.