

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE**

June 10, 2010

Trustees Attending:

Carver Gayton	Keith Kessler
Irene Gonzales	Dixon McReynolds
Kristin Hayden	Anne Proffitt
Denny Heck	Paul Winter

Staff Present:

John Carmichael, Executive Assistant to the President
Art Costantino, Vice President for Student Affairs
Wendy Endress, Executive Associate to the VP for Student Affairs
Lee Hoemann, Vice President for College Advancement
John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration
Collin Orr, Director of Business Services
Thomas L. Purce, President
Paul Smith, Director of Facilities
Julie Suchanek, Director of Government Relations
Ken Tabbutt, Interim Academic Vice President and Provost
Steve Trotter, Executive Director of Operational Planning and Budget

Others present:

Andrew Buchman, Faculty Representative to the Board
Josephine Jarvis, Geoduck Student Union Representative to the Board
John McLain, Staff Representative to the Board
Colleen Warren, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Thursday, June 10, 2010

Trustee Carver Gayton called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. in the Board Room of The Evergreen State College. A quorum was present with Trustees Gayton, Gonzales, Hayden, Heck, Kessler, McReynolds, Proffitt and Winters attending.

Executive Session

Dr. Gayton announced that the Board would move into executive session to review the performance of a public employee. He said that Board would return to an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. The Board returned to an open meeting as scheduled.

Capital Projects

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley and Director of Facilities Paul Smith described proposed Board actions on capital projects. Mr. Smith reviewed the proposed action to approve a project budget and delegate authority to enter into a construction contract for the Lab/Art Annex Renovation Project. He also reviewed a proposed action to set a budget and delegate authority for a contract for the Art Annex Roof Replacement. He said that bids on replacement of the Lecture Hall roof came in over budget, so no Board action is recommended on that project.

Proposed Budget Requests for 2011-13

President Purce described the timeline for submitting budget requests to the Governor and the Higher Education Coordinating Board. In most years, operating budget requests include a "maintenance level" request to continue to current programs and a set of "policy" requests that would add new programs or enhance existing programs with additional funding. In the current budget climate, he will propose that

Evergreen focus on the maintenance level request for the next biennium. The significant policy issue would be state support for over-enrollment. Executive Director for Operational Planning and Budget Steve Trotter noted that full funding of the maintenance level would require a 5.5% increase in Evergreen's operating budget. He said that the state's budget shortfall in 2011-13 is expected to be close to \$2.8 billion. The Office of Financial Management will release a six-year forecast in the next few weeks that will provide further detail.

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley reviewed the proposed biennial capital budget request. In addition to requesting capital funding for preservation, maintenance and repair of buildings, Evergreen would seek funding for a major project to renovate the Com Building. The proposed budget also seeks money for pre-design of a renovation of the Lecture Halls. Both projects are part of the Board-approved Campus Master Plan. Pre-design for renovation of the College Recreation Center would be included in the 2015-17 budget request. In addition, the proposed request seeks \$10 million for alternative energy project design and construction. The college is currently exploring the feasibility of adding a biomass gasification facility to the central utility plant. If the project proves feasible, it might allow the college to stop burning natural gas, which would help the college achieve its carbon-neutrality goal. The feasibility study is a careful technical analysis that includes a study of fuel sources and emissions. The college is also actively seeking other funding partners for the project, in the event that it proves to be feasible. Dr. Hurley said that the potential project for Evergreen uses different technology than the project proposed for Shelton. The Evergreen project does not directly burn wood, but extracts a natural gas substitute from wood.

Director of Government Relations Julie Suchanek discussed the legislative climate for the college's budget request. She noted that the retirement of several key legislators and the upcoming elections create a great deal of uncertainty. At the same time, the Higher Education Coordinating Board is seeking a new executive director and the long-time director of the Council of Presidents is also leaving. At the federal level, it remains uncertain whether the state will receive the federal money that would be needed to balance the current budget.

Update on Planning

President Purce noted that the Trustees received a written report on work done this year to advance the college's strategic plan. Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt described work done in Academics to respond to over-enrollment and begin thinking about how the curriculum might adapt to an environment of declining resources. The Trustees discussed selectivity, retention and diversity as important areas for continued work and discussion.

Dr. Tabbutt provided an update on accreditation work. The new 7-year accreditation cycle requires the college to provide a report to the accrediting commission in the Fall of 2011. The college formed a work group that includes all of the Vice Presidents to begin preparing for this report. The group is examining the college's mission, identifying core themes that follow from the mission and identifying indicators of achievement for each of the core themes. The four core themes that the group has preliminarily identified are interdisciplinary and integrative learning, transformative education, diversity and equity, and sustainability. The group will probably recommend that the college consider revisions to clarify the mission statement. The group will probably also recommend that the college begin the process of revising its strategic plan at a future date.

Trustee Anne Proffitt noted the draft dashboard. She said that she met with Executive Director for Operational Planning and Budget Steve Trotter, Director of Institutional Research Laura Coghlan and Executive Assistant John Carmichael to discuss the dashboard format in the fall. Past attempts to produce a dashboard have resulted in lengthy reports that were continuously revised. Ms. Proffitt asked the Trustees to give comments on the draft to her. She proposed that the Board look at the draft again in July.

If the Board agrees in July to the dashboard format, she suggested that the Board try using it for one year. If the Board finds that the format needs more work in July, she proposed placing the topic on the October retreat agenda.

Services and Activities Fee Allocation

Vice President for Student Affairs Art Costantino introduced Director of Student Activities Tom Mercado, Assistant Director of Student Activities Andy Corn, and Services and Activities (S&A) Fee Allocation Board Coordinator Allison Van Nostran. Dr. Costantino described the biennial cycle for allocation of S&A fees. Mr. Mercado described the state laws and college policies that govern the allocation of S&A fees. Ms. Van Nostran discussed the proposed allocation of S&A fees to student organizations in 2010-11. She noted that the S&A Board has streamlined the process of budgeting for media support at student events. She also highlighted the proposal to fund the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention Coordinator position on a full-time basis. She noted the equipment budget associated with moving the Flaming Eggplant Café to its permanent location in the renovated CAB.

Science Carnival

Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt introduced members of the faculty Dharshi Bopegedera and Krishna Chowdary, Arts and Sciences Operations Manager Peter Robinson, and students Julie Holder and Riley Rex. Mr. Robinson discussed the history of the Science Carnival, which involves students at Evergreen demonstrating science to students from schools in the surrounding counties. Dr. Bopegedera said that students and faculty do a tremendous amount of work to organize the carnival. Ms. Holder described her presentations on bioplastics and the chemistry and materials of photography. Mr. Rex demonstrated high-temperature superconductors.

Break

The board recessed for lunch at 12:30 and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. in Seminar II, B1107.

Public Comment

Dr. Gayton invited to Geoduck Student Union Representative Josephine Jarvis to report on the recently certified student elections. Ms. Jarvis noted that four ballot initiatives passed by large majorities in an election with good voter turnout. The four ballot initiatives called for banning bottled water from campus, divesting from companies that profit from the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, continuing the college's association with WashPIRG, making Evergreen a Caterpillar-free campus, and re-naming Squaw Point.

Dr. Gayton called forward individuals who had signed in to give public comment. Seven individuals gave public comment. All those who spoke supported the student ballot initiative calling for divestment from Israel, making the college a Caterpillar-free campus, or both. Dr. Gayton thanked those who spoke. President Purce said that the college staff will review the initiatives over the summer.

Capital Project Actions

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| Motion
2010-19 | Mr. Heck made a motion to approve the project budget of \$4,849,000 for the Lab/Art Annex Renovation project which includes the architect and engineering fee, construction contract state sales tax, project management fee, and project contingency. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote. |
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2010-20 | Mr. Heck made a motion to authorize the award of the construction contract to Schwiesow Construction, Inc., 920 Fair Street, Centralia, WA in the amount of \$2,768,378, including Washington state sales tax and four (4) alternates to renovate the Lab/Art Annex building and authorize the President (or designee) to execute the contract. |

Motion 2010-21 Mr. Heck made a motion to delegate authority to the President (or designee) to approve change orders for the Lab/Art Annex Renovation Building project provided the total cost for the project does not exceed the approved project budget, \$4,849,000, including a project contingency of \$562,897. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Motion 2010-22 Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the project budget of \$746,440 for the Art Annex Roof Replacement project which includes the architect and engineering fee, construction cost, state sales tax, project management fee, and project contingency. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Motion 2010-23 Mr. Kessler made a motion to authorize the award of the construction contract to Lincoln Construction of 21323 Mountain Hwy, Spanaway, WA in the amount of \$637,980 including Washington state sales tax to re-roof the Art Annex building and authorize the President (or designee) to execute the contract. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Motion 2010-24 Dr. Gonzales made a motion to delegate authority to the President (or designee) to approve change orders for the Art Annex Roof Replacement project provided the total cost for the project does not exceed the approved project budget, \$746,440, including a project contingency of \$63,800. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Services and Activities Fee Allocation

Motion 2010-25 Mr. Heck made a motion to approve the 2010-2011 Services and Activities (S&A) Tier Two budget as developed by the Services and Activities Fee Allocation Board, totaling \$400,000. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Delegation of Authority for Rule-making

Vice President for Student Affairs Art Costantino said that the Trustees heard a presentation in May on the Student Conduct Code. He asked the Board to delegate to the President or his designee the authority to carry out a rule-making process that could result in modifications to the Student Conduct Code.

Motion 2010-26 Mr. Heck made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-02 delegating rule-making authority for the Student Conduct Code:

WHEREAS state law give the Board of Trustees authority to make rules and regulations deemed necessary or appropriate to the administration of the college (RCW 28B.40.120);

WHEREAS state law give the Board the authority to delegate this authority to the President or the President's designee (RCW 28B.10.528);

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees at The Evergreen State College delegates to the President or his designee the authority to undertake a rule making process leading to modification of the Student Conduct Code (WAC 174-120)

The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Authorizing a Name Change for Squaw Point

Motion Mr. Kessler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-01 authorizing a name change for
2010-27 Squaw Point:

WHEREAS a portion of The Evergreen State College's property on Eld Inlet is currently designated on US Geological Association maps as Squaw Point, a name deemed offensive by many;

WHEREAS a team of faculty, staff and students that has been researching a possible name change is recommending that Squaw Point be renamed Bushoowah-ahlee Point;

WHEREAS the proposed name change has been developed in consultation with local tribal communities and has received wide-spread support from The Evergreen State College community including the Senior Staff at the College;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees, on behalf of The Evergreen State College expresses its approval of the name change from Squaw Point to Bushoowah-ahlee Point;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the Board of Trustees at The Evergreen State College encourages submittal of an application to the United States Board of Geographic Names to finalize the name change.

The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Minutes

Motion Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the minutes of the May meeting as presented.
2010-28 The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Board Officers

Motion Dr. Gayton reported that the Nominating Committee proposed that Irene Gonzales and
2010-29 Anne Proffitt serve as co-chairs during the 2010-11 term, with Mr. Kessler as Vice Chair and Dr. Gayton as Secretary. Mr. Heck moved to approve the Board Officer nominees. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Student Trustee

Dr. Gayton invited Mr. McReynolds to report as Student Trustee. Mr. McReynolds thanked the students, Governor, Trustees, President, faculty and staff. He reflected on his work in the legislature, on the diversity committee, the Veterans committee, and the Board. He urged the college to continue giving attention to access for all students, advancing diversity and social justice, and service to Veterans. Dr. Gayton thanked Mr. McReynolds for his service and dedication to the college. Dr. Gonzales presented Mr. McReynolds with a gift from the Trustees. President Purce presented an engraved clock commemorating Mr. McReynolds term on the Board.

President's Report

President Purce invited Andrew Buchman to report as Faculty Representative to the Board. Dr. Buchman said that Joe Tougas will be the Faculty Chair next year and that Andrew Reece will chair the year following. He thanked Mr. McReynolds and Ms. Jarvis for bringing student voices to the table. He said that faculty sometimes speak of solidarity with students, and that it is important for the Board to know that many faculty also feel solidarity with the Board. Dr. Buchman said that the faculty passed a resolution on civility after several meetings on the topic. He noted the work of the Re-modeling Teaching and Learning at Evergreen Disappearing Task Force.

President Purce invited John McLain to report as Staff Representative to the Board. Mr. McLain thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as staff representative. He said that the staff is fortunate to have this Board during this difficult period in the college's history. He noted that the three retiring members of the faculty would be honored later in the agenda and listed several staff members who retired in the past year: Barry Joynes, Bob King, Betty McGovern, The Nguyen, Kitty Parker, Sam Pooley, Carolyn Raines, Doug Scrima, Allen Toothaker, and Lynne Stockwell. He also noted the passing of Dan Stocklin. These staff left with a combined 241 years of service.

President Purce asked Vice President for College Advancement Lee Hoemann to provide a fundraising update. Ms. Hoemann said that as the fiscal year draws to a close, the Development staff is optimistic about reaching its very ambitious goal. She reminded the Trustees of the October 10 Art of Living event.

President Purce provided an overview of his schedule.

William Winden Achievement in the Arts Scholarship

Faculty member Bob Haft introduced Joan Winden and Rachel Diamond, the first recipient of the William Winden Achievement in the Arts Scholarship. The scholarship recognizes student achievement in both the visual and musical arts and was established in memory of faculty emeritus Bill Winden.

Appointment of Emeritus Faculty

Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt, on behalf of the faculty, recommended that the Board confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty on Bill Bruner, Paul Butler, and Jerry Lassen.

Motion 2010-30 Mr. Heck made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-03 appointing William E. Bruner Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Motion 2010-31 Ms. Proffitt made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-04 appointing Paul Ray Butler Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Motion 2010-32 Dr. Gonzales made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-05 appointing Jerry Lassen Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Dr. Tabbutt presented a gift to each of the new Emeritus Faculty members and Dr. Gayton invited the recipients in attendance to say a few words.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Irene Gonzales, Co-Chair

Anne Proffitt, Co-Chair

Carver Gayton, Secretary