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May 11, 2017

9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
Somerville Large Conference Room
775 Court Street NE
Salem, OR

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Neil Bryant, Chair; David Rives, Vice-Chair; Terry Cross; Betty Duvall; Ramon Ramirez; Larry Roper; Carmen Rubio; Duncan Wyse; Lee Ayers-Preboski; Frank Goulard; Claire McMorris; Enrique Farrera; Mariana Paredones.

Agenda¹

1.0 Preliminary and Organizational Business

1.1 Opening remarks, agenda review

Chair Bryant called the meeting to order at 9:03 am, called roll, and provided an overview of the agenda. He highlighted the process today as it was standing room only to witness the commission vote on five tuition increase requests.

1.2 Approve April 13, 2017 minutes

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Farrera moved to approve the **April 13, 2017 meeting minutes** as presented; Commissioner Roper seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a voice vote and after no discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

2.0 Executive Director Report

2.1 HECC Budget Update

Ben Cannon provided a **summary of the agency budget** as of March 31, 2017.

2.2 Other Updates

Cannon highlighted the presentation from last commission meeting from Mahalia Newmark's report and how HECC staff are working on developing a consultation policy for interaction with the nine federally recognized tribes. He also mentioned the work that has begun to create a statement of safety, inclusion, and diversity that the commission will adopt. This work is being led by Commissioner Farrera. Cannon updated the commission on staffing. Kyra Mathews is now the permanent Commission Administrator and Executive Assistant to Ben Cannon, as Kelly Dickinson has taken a new position as a Strategic Initiatives Program Analyst at the HECC office of Oregon Workforce Investment Board. He then moved to today's agenda and touched on the tuition request topics, recognizing HECC Office of University Finance Director Andrew Rogers and his staff's work on preparing materials for the commission to aid in this decision.

¹All meeting materials can be found at: <http://education.oregon.gov/Pages/HECC-Archive.aspx>.
If you are unable to read the materials, please contact kelly.dickinson@state.or.us.

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3.0 Chief Education Office Report

Lindsey Capps, Chief Education Officer, provided brief comments on behalf of the Governor on the tuition increase requests. He emphasized her point that any increase should be seen as a last resort. Any institution going above the statutory limitation should have clear justification and prioritize protecting low-income students from an increased hardship for tuition costs.

4.0 Public Comment

Each individual/group will have a time limit of three minutes.

4.1 Invited Testimony

Andrea Henderson, Oregon Community College Association
Robert Kyr, Interinstitutional Faculty Senate
Dana Richardson, Oregon Council of Presidents
Traci Hodgson, Oregon Education Association

4.2 Other Public Comment

Matthew Soloway, Southern Oregon University
Rico Lujan, Southern Oregon University
Emily Pfeiffer, Southern Oregon University
Liela Tenance, Portland State University
Natalie Fisher, University of Oregon
Quinn Haaga, University of Oregon
Daryl Maplethorpe, Southern Oregon University
Tabitha Pitzer, Oregon State University
Manuel Mejia Gonzales, University of Oregon
Vickie Gimm, University of Oregon
Michelle Martinez, University of Oregon
Lupe Partida, University of Oregon
Joise Field, University of Oregon
Donald Thompson III, Portland State University
Gaby Lasala, Portland State University
Daniel Smith, University of Oregon
Max Jensen, University of Oregon
Nathan Mireless, Western Oregon University
Jorge Duran, Western Oregon University
Pia Hildebrandt, Lane Community College
Jen McKinney, Lane Community College
Nick Hash, Portland State University
Zia Laboff, Portland State University
Candalynn Johnson, Oregon State University
Jacob Faatz, University of Oregon
Madeleine Monkev, University of Oregon
Ednaly Jimenez, University of Oregon
Alex Herrera, Portland State University
Devon Backstrom, Portland State University
Kaitlyn Day, Portland State University
Will Iverson, University of Oregon

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Kevin Maestrom, Oregon Institute of Technology
Shirley Jackson, Portland State University
Martha Dyson, Portland State University
Steff Shao, Portland State University
Shanzlyn Nihipali, Southern Oregon University
Melissa Bantilan, Southern Oregon University
Andy Marcus, University of Oregon
Mark Denney, Southern Oregon University
Matt Sayre, Southern Oregon University
Amy Schenk
Colin Davis, Southern Oregon University
Gabriel
Steve Demarest, SEIU Local 503
Jeremy Notenboom, Southern Oregon University
Kiernyn
Felicia
Brian Fox, Oregon Institute of Technology

12:03 pm *Break for Lunch*

12:53 pm *Reconvene*

5.0 University Tuition Increases Greater Than 5%

5.1 Report and recommendation from Funding and Achievement Subcommittee
Chair Bryant went over the process that has so far taken place with tuition requests. Institutions presented yesterday to the subcommittee, as well as those who provided public testimony. He points out that the commission's discretion is limited as they can only vote yes or no. The commission sought out legal opinion on their authority over this vote. They asked institutions what they would do if they received more money from the state, and four universities answered the question and committed to lowering tuition as they receive more dollars. Portland State University did not, but verbally provided commitment to having the conversation at yesterday's meeting. Chair Bryant then opened up the discussion to other commissioners to comment on the report. Commissioners commented on student involvement, both on campus and at the Capitol on budget decisions. Commissioner Duvall asked if they could invite members of legislature or the Governor to a commission meeting to talk about this process and how to improve it for the next time this occurs. Commissioner Paredones urged voting members to consider the student testimonies and hoped that their words hold their ground. Commissioner Ayers-Preboski questions what the long term effect will be on schools if their request is denied. Vice Chair Rives notes that he is troubled by the lack of student engagement and hopes that going forward we can get a better sense of student involvement via the university evaluations or a report to the Student Success and Institutional Collaboration subcommittee.

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5.2 Approve/Disapprove Tuition Request: Oregon Institute of Technology

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to vote on Oregon Institute of Technology's tuition request as presented; Commissioner Wyse seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a roll-call vote and the motion was approved [Rives: Aye; Cross: Aye; Duvall: Aye; Roper: Aye; Wyse: Aye; Bryant: Aye; Ramirez: No; Rubio: No.]

Approve/Disapprove Tuition Request: Portland State University

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to vote on Portland State University's tuition request as presented; Commissioner Duvall seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a roll-call vote and the motion failed [Rives: Aye; Duvall: Aye; Wyse: Aye; Bryant: Aye; Ramirez: No; Roper: No; Rubio: No; Cross: Abstain;]

Approve/Disapprove Tuition Request: Southern Oregon University

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Vice Chair Rives moved to vote on Southern Oregon University's tuition request as presented; Commissioner Rubio seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a roll-call vote and the motion was approved [Rives: Aye; Cross: Aye; Duvall: Aye; Roper: Aye; Wyse: Aye; Bryant: Aye; Ramirez: No; Rubio: No.]

Approve/Disapprove Tuition Request: University of Oregon

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to vote on University of Oregon's tuition request as presented; Commissioner Wyse seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a roll-call vote and the motion failed [Rives: Aye; Duvall: Aye; Wyse: Aye; Bryant: Aye; Roper: No; Ramirez: No; Rubio: No; Cross: No.]

Approve/Disapprove Tuition Request: Western Oregon University

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to vote on Western Oregon University's tuition request as presented; Commissioner Wyse seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a roll-call vote and the motion was approved [Rives: Aye; Cross: Aye; Duvall: Aye; Roper: Aye; Wyse: Aye; Bryant: Aye; Ramirez: No; Rubio: No.]

3:08 pm Break

3:25 pm Reconvene

(Item Removed from Agenda)

6.0 Legislative Update

(Item Moved to June Agenda)

7.0 HECC Strategic Plan Discussion Series

7.1 Strategy 4: Student Support

8.0 Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate Annual Review

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Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to approve the AP/IB Annual Review as presented; Commissioner Wyse seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a voice vote and after no discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

9.0 Community College Program Approval

- 9.1 Approve [Lane Community College, Baking and Pastry, Certificate of Completion](#)
- 9.2 Approve [Lane Community College, Music Technology and Sound Engineering, Associate of Applied Science](#)
- 9.3 Approve [Treasure Valley Community College, Aviation Technology - Fixed Wing, Associate of Applied Science](#)

CONSENT ITEM

Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to approve the university programs as presented in agenda items 9.1 through 9.3; Commissioner Wyse seconded the motion. Chair Bryant called for a voice vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

10.0 Executive Session

Chair Bryant announced the commission was moving to executive session convened under Oregon Laws [ORS 192.660\(2\)\(i\)](#) "to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request and open hearing."

NOTICE TO MEDIA: In accordance with [ORS 192.660\(4\)](#) matters discussed in Executive Session must remain undisclosed.

At 3:47pm at the end of the executive session, Chair Bryant announced the Commission was returning to open session and welcomed the audience back into the room.

13.0 Adjourn

Chair Bryant adjourned the meeting at 4:05 pm.

List of Materials:

[AGENDA](#)

[1.2 DRAFT Minutes April 2017](#)

[2.1 HECC Budget Update](#)

[5.1 University Tuition Increases Greater Than 5%](#) [*see Funding and Achievement Subcommittee May Meeting Materials for all tuition increase documents*]

[8.0 Advanced Placement International Baccalaureate Annual Review Staff Recommendation](#)

[8.1 AP IB Statewide Course Credit Policy for 2017-2018](#)

[9.1 Community College Program Approval: Lane Community College, Certificate of Completion, Baking and Pastry](#)

[9.2 Community College Program Approval: Lane Community College, Associate of Applied Science, Music Technology and Sound Engineering](#)

[9.3 Community College Program Approval: Treasure Valley Community College, Associate of Applied Science, Aviation Technology - Fixed Wing](#)



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Next Higher Education Coordinating Commission Meeting

June 8, 2017

9:00 A.M – 3:00 P.M.

Location To Be Determined
Salem, OR

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