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June 10, 2021
9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

VIDEOCONFERENCE

MEETING MINUTES:

Members Present via teleconference: Chair Larry Roper, Vice-Chair Sandy Rowe, Commissioners Lee Ayers-Preboski, Vanessa Becker, Terry Cross, Helen Edwards, Enrique Farrera, Frank Goulard, Ricardo Lujan-Valerio, Ramon Ramirez, and Duncan Wyse
Members Excused: Shelby Pick, David Rives, and Rossy Valdovinos Torres

1.0 Preliminary and Organizational Business

1.1 Chair Roper called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The Commission Administrator called roll.

1.2 Approve May 13 Meeting Minutes

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Chair Roper called for a motion to approve the May 13, 2021, meeting minutes as presented in agenda item 1.2. Commissioner Ramirez moved adoption and Commissioner Becker seconded. Chair Roper called for a voice vote. The motion was approved unanimously.

2.0 Executive Director Report

2.1 HECC Monthly Budget Update was included in materials

2.2 Ben Cannon acknowledged and thanked Commissioner Ramirez for his service to the Commission and his critical role in supporting Oregon students expanding partnerships. Chair Roper and other Commissioners expressed their gratitude for Commissioner Ramirez's contributions as well. Executive Director Cannon shared an update on moving toward post pandemic normalcy.

2.3 Executive Director Cannon presented an update on Talent, Innovation, and Equity Partnership Grant work including a video: *Real Opportunity: Supporting College Success for Underserved Students of Color will Move Oregon Forward.*

3.0 Public Comment

3.2 Kathleen Rodriguez Perez, Oregon Student Association

Dana Richardson, Oregon Council of Presidents

Heather Ficht, Oregon Workforce Partnership

3.3 Mark Girod, Western Oregon University

4.0 Community College Program Approvals

4.1 **CONSENT ITEM:** Portland Community College, Certificate of Completion in Accounting Clerk

4.2 **CONSENT ITEM:** Portland Community College, Certificate of Completion in Accelerated Accounting

4.3 **CONSENT ITEM:** Chemeketa Community College, Certificate of Completion in Irrigation Technician

4.4 **CONSENT ITEM:** Blue Mountain Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Precision Agriculture

4.5 **CONSENT ITEM:** Clackamas Community College, Certificate of Completion Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Technology

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- 4.6 **CONSENT ITEM:** Clackamas Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Automotive Service Technology
- 4.7 **CONSENT ITEM:** Clackamas Community College, Certificate of Completion Healthcare Careers
- 4.8 **CONSENT ITEM:** Central Oregon Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Manufacturing Machining Technician
Motion: Chair Roper called for a motion to approve the community college program approval consent items as presented in agenda items 4.1.-4.8. Commissioner Wyse moved adoption and Vice-Chair Rowe seconded. Chair Roper called for a voice vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

5.0 University Program Approvals

- 5.1 **CONSENT ITEM:** Portland State University, Master of Science, Geographic Information Science
- 5.2 **CONSENT ITEM:** Eastern Oregon University, Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science, Marketing
- 5.3 **CONSENT ITEM:** Eastern Oregon University, Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science, Data Analytics
Motion: Chair Roper called for a motion to approve the university program approval consent items as presented in agenda items 5.1.-5.3. Commissioner Wyse moved adoption and Vice-Chair Rowe seconded. Chair Roper called for a voice vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

- 6.1 2021 Legislative Session
Kyle Thomas provided an update on the 2021 legislative session noting that the HECC budget is likely to be debated and passed out of the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Education on Monday, June 14 and that the financial aid budget remains under discussion and may be addressed in a final budget bill at the conclusion of the legislative session. Director Thomas also updated and described current HECC sponsored legislation.

Leadership and Strategy

- 7.1 Executive Director Cannon presented updates on HECC's draft Strategic Roadmap, *Oregon Postsecondary Education and Workforce Training*. Commissioners discussed and shared their contributions. Next steps (June-September, 2021): Between April and September 2021, the Commission should work with partners and the public to finalize the Strategic Roadmap categories, further identify specific actions within each category, and determine which entities are responsibility for execution as leaders, as facilitators, or as other participants.

Other Business

- 8.1 Donna Lewelling and Elizabeth Cox Brand updated the Commission on the continued work HECC's Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development and the Oregon Student Success Center is doing to continue the math pathways work. Elizabeth Cox Brand presented an update on the project and an overview of recent data related to this effort: *Complete College America Report: No Room for Doubt*.

Chair Roper adjourned the meeting at 12:05.

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Materials:

0.0 [Agenda](#)

1.2 [ACTION ITEM: Approve May 13 Meeting Minutes](#)

2.1 [HECC Monthly Budget Update](#)

2.2 [SB 712 \(2021\) Signing Letter](#)

2.3 [Update on Talent, Innovation, and Equity Partnership Grant work: Real Opportunity: Supporting College Success for Underserved Students of Color will Move Oregon Forward](#) (video)

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6.1 [2021 Legislative Session](#)

7.1 [HECC Strategic Roadmap Updates and Next Steps](#)

8.1 [Oregon Strong Start Update Staff Summary](#)

8.2 [Oregon Strong Start Update Presentation](#)