

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**GREAT BASIN COLLEGE (GBC)
Institutional Advisory Council
1500 College Parkway
Elko, Nevada 89801
Thursday, September 20, 2018 7:00 am (PST)
BERG HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

Video Conference from the Meeting Site to:

Great Basin College – Battle Mountain Center
835 N. 2nd St., GBC, BM4,
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 119
Pahrump, Nevada

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

Members of the public may attend the meeting and provide testimony or public comment at these sites via video conference connection.

MEETING MINUTES - Approved

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Information

GBC IAC member Will Moschetti called the meeting to order at 7:05 a.m.

Present:

Dr. Hugh Collett
Vince Juaristi
Caroline McIntosh
Don Miller
Will Moschetti
Al Parker
Dave Roden

Absent:

Dr. Andrew Bath
Laura DelRio
Chris Melville
Jolene Supp

GBC Staff Present:

John Albrecht
Sonja Brown
Lisa Campbell

Amber Donnelly
Robert Hannu
Joyce Helens

Tom Reagan
Mardell Wilkins
Dianne Wrightman

Others Present:

Cathy McAdoo, Regent
Nate Mackinnon, Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges
Don Wold, Eureka County Superintendent

2. **Public Comment** (*see foregoing notation regarding public comment*) **Information**
No public comment.

3. **Approval of Minutes** **Information/For Possible Action**
GBC Institutional Advisory Council reviewed the minutes of the GBC IAC meeting on May 17, 2018 and March 15, 2018.

Will Moschetti asked John Albrecht about the minutes if there is not a quorum. In times where we do not have a quorum, we cannot conduct business. If someone wants to comment as part of the record they can do so. Nate Mackinnon chimed in for the record that in order to provide a permanent record it's good to preserve the conversations for the other members who were not in attendance as well as to the other IACs and to the Community College Committee. Will reiterated again that the IACs don't have authority to do anything other than advice.

Dave Roden made a **MOTION** to approve the meeting minutes for March 15 and May 17; motion seconded by Don Miller; motion was **APPROVED**.

4. **Membership of the GBC IAC** **Information/For Possible Action**
The GBC IAC discussed the chair vacancy and the one-year left on the outgoing chair's term.

5. **Board of Regents' Community College Committee Meeting and the IAC Chairs Meeting Update** **Information**
No update.

6. **GBC IAC Business Matters – Andrew Bath** **Information**
Will Moschetti asked the GBC staff to give updates:

The new Vice President for Academic Affairs, Sonja Brown, told the IAC a little bit about herself. Dr. Brown has been busy getting to know the campus community. Her vision for Academic Affairs includes many collaborations and alignment of ideas with various departments and with the Student Affairs area. She is very excited for the new Vice President for Student Affairs to start in October. Amber Donnelly will be traveling to Ely for a presentation to the hospital staff there on a pathway into our nursing program. GBC has been approved to restart the sonography program. Tom Reagan reported on a collaboration with UNR for a pathway to receive a BAS from GBC and then an MD from UNR. The BA in English is exploding right now as it can be done entirely online. GBC is exploring a BA in Early

Childhood Education. There is a need for private pre-k providers. Online program in that area could be a boom. Our numbers are up in every area and up 50% in dual enrollment. Caroline McIntosh requested a list of the number of dual enrollment students from each of the high schools.

Regent Cathy McAdoo reported on the free tuition for foster students who have aged out of system was passed at last Board of Regents' meeting. It was the right thing to do. The UNR School of Medicine October 4 at the Nevada Health Centers.

Vince Juaristi talked about the Digital Promise Program. Vince serves as the Finance Chair of Digital Promise. Digital Promise partnered with Verizon in 2014 to launch Verizon Innovative Learning Schools. The Program supports 100 schools, 87,000 students, and 5,600 teachers around the United States. They are taking applications now to expand this program by an additional 150 schools. The program focuses on middle schools, grades 6-8. It provides (1) tablets to all students, teachers, and administrators; (2) professional development for teachers; (3) coaches in the classroom; (4) data plans for kids and families at home; (5) technology support; and, (6) strong research and evaluation to enhance learning. Early results have been amazing, especially in mathematics and other STEM subjects.

Barrick is holding a STEM summit on October 16 for K-12 system. GBC will be represented.

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| 7. Superintendents' Update
No report. | Information |
| 8. GBC Foundation Update – <i>Matt McCarty</i>
No report. | Information |
| 9. President's Update – <i>Joyce Helens</i>
President Joyce Helens welcomed Dr. Sonja Brown and stated the new Vice President for Student Affairs will start on October 1 st . She reported Lisa Frazier is retiring in October and we will be searching for her replacement. GBC is recruiting for a Director of Student Life. GBC has lost 86 full time positions over the past 10 years. There are many vacancies but no funding to fill those vacancies. GBC is determining the essential positions needed to move the college forward. | Information |

President Helens reported on the joint meeting of the GBC Foundation/GBC IAC in July. The Foundation voted to help GBC plug the hole with the new formula funding. The final number was a deficit of \$1.4 million. GBC was planning on the deficit being \$375,000 so it was quite a shock when the final numbers came in. The GBC Foundation voted unanimously to help fund the gap with a strong statement that GBC can grow out of being small, but it cannot grow out of rural. As of today, GBC has a 20% increase in FTE. We have the highest CTE enrollment in the history of the college and we have a waiting list in the student halls. We need to maintain this increase into next year as that is our funding year.

GBC has a new program called the Boot Camp Credit program for Veterans anywhere in the world who can take advantage if they have successfully completed boot camp. GBC will offer 15 credits toward a degree if they have completed boot camp successfully. The Chancellor asked the other colleges to replicate the Boot Camp Credit Program. President Helens doesn't agree with replicating but rather creating a portal for military people to use to make sure that transferability is there. Do this would be acting as a system.

The MGM is the largest employer in the state, and they rolled out a program with NSHE that will fund their employees to get an online degree. This funding will be after all other programs such as grants, and scholarships have kicked in. Of course, GBC has the largest online offerings in the state so that should be a boom for us.

GBC is moving forward on an athletics program. We are preparing a presentation to the Board of Regents in November. GBC is a small residential college and not having an athletics program puts us at a disadvantage. There is a Faculty Senate Committee on Athletics which meets every other week that has been very busy preparing the data to argue our case for offering an athletics program.

GBC has been working on the workforce needs in Ely. Matt McCarty and Bret Murphy will appear before the GOED Board for the WINN scholarship. They have communicated with the mines for the support that is needed. GBC appreciates White Pine County School District because we will be using their facility for the workforce training.

GBC Foundation is still trying to facilitate the \$2 million match to the \$5 million Pennington Grant. It has been a challenge. The building will be 80% healthcare so it makes sense that everyone else is waiting to state their commitments until the hospital states what their commitment will be to the match. The hospital vote is coming up on September 25th

President Helens and Regent McAdoo will be travelling to Pahrump for their upcoming Harvest Festival. Al Parker said the number one thing to report is the major expansion of Spring Mountain Race Track. It will be the largest private racing track in the world - 17 miles when completed. The owner, John Morris plans to incorporate the race track area and some adjacent residential developments in Mountain Falls and some other lands for a new city to be called Johnstown. We are looking at him and his members to be big supporters of the college. Valley Electric is still looking at potential CEO candidates and should name a permanent CEO by the end of the year. When that happens, we will resume our conversation with Valley Electric on its support of the college.

President Helens summed everything up to collaboration being the key to our success.

Vince Juaristi was curious about the Pahrump site. He agrees about the importance of collaboration. As we extend resources, we would want the others to extend those same resources.

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

Nate Mackinnon stated it is clear you all care for the college very much. This group has been around before all the other IACs. He extended a welcome to Dr. Brown and is looking forward to working with her. Nate is excited about the implementation of the MGM/NSHE partnership college opportunity program. It is a strictly online program and GBC has large online offerings, so GBC is very well positioned here.

The community college presidents had a great retreat in August. We now have four permanent presidents in place for the community colleges. The longest serving is two years with President Helens at one year.

The Chancellor's Workforce Development Advisory Board is working to meet the needs of employers statewide and nationally. Sheldon Mudd of the Northern Nevada Regional Development Authority is on the board. The group is working on workforce needs in 5 to 10 years. They will be needing input from the IACs. Will Moschetti stated it seems obvious that there is a need for nursing so why not get adequate funding for the nursing programs. Nate said yes, we could use more funding to hire more faculty, but clinical spots are needed. Amber Donnelly said the programs need facilities. We are competing with the urban areas and the private schools for clinical sites.

11. New Business **Information**

Regent McAdoo inquired who the chair was for the MGM/NSHE implementation. Nate Mackinnon said the chair is Mike Flores.

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

No public comment.

13. Adjourn **Information**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.