

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE
PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

January 14, 2014

1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mark Curtis, Lynn Mahlberg, Sonja Sibert, Bret Murphy, Kris Miller, Alex Porter, Melinda Dailey

ABSENT: Mike McFarlane, John Rice, Dori Andrepont, Tom Reagan

1. Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the President's Council meeting on December 10, 2013, were approved.
2. SGA Update – Alex Porter reported the 1st week of semester is welcome back week. Many student activities are scheduled throughout the week. Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba will be at the Elko Campus to attend the student forums on tuition and fees scheduled for February 14 at 9:00 a.m.
3. Faculty Senate Update – Tom Reagan reported that he sent out a lengthy email to faculty with detail of the recent financial decisions. One correction to the email is that the three laid off positions were two classified and one professional.

 **Reagan, Thomas** Jan 13   

to GBC-Faculty, GBC-Classified, Mark ▾

All,
The attached PDF details more specifically the budget decisions for FY15 that President Curtis mentioned in his welcome back presentation this morning.

GBC needed to identify approximately \$1.4 million in cuts to begin July of this year. Level 1 and 2 from the PDF are cuts identified last academic year in Budget Task Force. Level 3 are cuts identified in the BTF this fall. Level 3 includes reducing travel budgets next year by about 20%, eliminating the vacant reference librarian position, and reducing the vacant Career Center director position to part time.

Level 4 and 5 cuts were mentioned within the context of the BTF last fall and formalized in this plan by the President and Vice Presidents in December. Three layoff notifications were issued within the classified staff. The remaining reductions in Level 4 come from attrition through resignation or retirement. No current faculty positions were eliminated.

Levels 1-4 left approximately \$238,000 to be cut. This will come from a significant reduction in operating expenses. If more positions are vacated, perhaps by moving to the TAACCCT grant positions, this number may be offset.

The reductions identified for FY15 do not create the "death spiral" effect that can occur when programs and teaching positions are eliminated. To avoid that scenario, however, we will need enhancement non-formula funds beginning FY16 from NSHE. As I mentioned this morning, GBC will not be asking for hand-outs, but will instead ask for an investment in our ability to expand our service area and our capacity to be a leader in e-Learning and distance delivery.

Please feel free to contact me with questions. Enjoy your semester.

4. Classified Council Update – Melinda Dailey requested that if a supervisor knows that a classified person is experiencing a hardship (such as family death, sickness, injury, serious accident, etc.) to notify the Classified Council chair so they can send a card. We have to be careful of confidentiality issues and issues of privacy. Therefore, PC recommended if a supervisor hears of something that is affecting an employee then send an email to HR so they can coordinate a message.
5. Late Fees – Sonja Sibert reported at the December Board of Regents' meeting some revisions to fees were approved. There were two that past on late fees that affects GBC. The late registration fee which we have not enforced and a change in late payment fee. In past GBC had a maximum of \$100 that we could charge for a late payment fee. That has been increased to \$125 with the option of a payment plan of five payments of \$25 each. There was a question as to what the other community colleges are doing.
6. Honorary Baccalaureate Degree Award – Mark Curtis has a few people in mind for the Honorary Baccalaureate Degree to be awarded at the GBC Commencement on May 17, 2014. One person is John Pryor, GBC professor emeritus and foundation trustee. spearheaded the creation of the GBC Foundation among other accomplishments. Another thought is Lou Schack from Barrick.
7. Community Service Award – Mark Curtis would like the outlying centers to come up with some recommendations for the GBC community service award to be awarded at the GBC Commencement.
8. President's Report – Mark Curtis welcomed back the faculty on January 13th. He is still optimistic about the future. Until the budget is approved by the Board of Regents in August of this year he will remain optimistic. Received a matrix from the Chancellor and the three main things that we asked for are on his matrix. The only one that wasn't on there was the capital outlay on the welding expansion.
9. Miscellaneous

Mark Curtis reported that the leaders in the GBC Alumni Association will be asked to recommend a graduate for the Distinguished Alumni Award to be awarded at the GBC Commencement.

Lynn Mahlberg thanked everyone who attended the 15 to Finish. Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba did a good job laying it all out. For GBC we will need to have many more discussions. We will try in spring we like to have counselors update that includes vice principals and principals have an event in March and have them come out and talk about the national support and get word out to middle school and high schools.

Bret Murphy reported that we are working on a partnership with the University of Wyoming that could benefit the land surveying program. We could potentially be able to get their students who graduate from their land surveying certification program to transfer over to our BAS program.

Student Health and Accident Insurance,
(MANDATORY¹ for International Students;
Graduate & Professional Students taking a
minimum of nine credits per semester; six
credits if a graduate assistant) OPTIONAL
for Graduate Students not on
Assistantships.

Annual	\$2,069	\$2,069
(Fall, Spring, Spring/Summer & Summer NA, available from vendor)		

DENTAL SCHOOL

Health Insurance (MANDATORY ¹)	\$2,150
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CSN

	Graduate	Undergraduate	International
Student Health and Accident Insurance, MANDATORY ¹ for International Students.			
Annual			\$1,224
Fall			\$612
Spring/Summer			\$612
Summer			\$306

NOTES:

- CSN, GBC, TMCC, WNC students have available health services on a voluntary basis through a third party entity. These institutions facilitate the availability of student health services; however, students who contract for these services pay the third party entity directly.
- Amounts represent total charges and include insurance premium, ACA taxes and fees, broker commission and fees, and institution fees.

H. LATE FEES

- Late Registration Fee:** A late registration fee of up to \$50 per course may be assessed to students who don't meet the course registration deadline. Late registration fee exceptions may be granted by the institution when registration was delayed due to circumstances beyond the student's control.
- Late Payment Fee:** A late payment fee of up to \$25 may be assessed for payments received after the payment deadline. An additional fee of up to \$25 may be assessed daily after the payment deadline up to \$250 for past due balances greater than \$100.

(B/R 4/92, 5/93, 3/94, 2/95, 6/95, 4/96, 4/97, 9/97, 5/98, 4/99, 6/99, 4/00, 3/02, 3/03, 8/03, 1/04, 3/04, 2/05;
Added 6/05; A. 8/05, 1/06, 4/06, 7/06, 2/07, 7/07, 12/07, 6/08, 2/09, 4/09, 6/09, 12/09, 4/10, 6/10, 12/10, 4/11,
6/11, 12/11, 6/12, 9/12, 11/12, 6/13, 9/13, 12/13)

¹ Mandatory Coverage definition: when coverage is indicated as mandatory, the student must purchase the coverage or provide proof of equivalent coverage.