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WNC FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Quarterly Meeting Summary

Jack C. Davis Observatory

Western Nevada College

Carson City, Nevada

Thursday, July 19, 2018

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: Carol McIntosh Jamie De Vega
Sean Davison Amy Clemens
Lisa Granahan Larry Goodnight
Daphne DeLeon Rochelle Tisdale
Darcy Houghton Jeff Brigger
Kathy Halbardier Kerstin Plemel
Robert Ramsdell

WNC Staff Present: Niki Gladys, Executive Director
April Flynt, Development Specialist
Dr. Vincent Solis, WNC President
Dr. Thomas Herring, WNC Instructor
James Wilsey, WNC Student

Guests Present: Sena Loyd, Carson City Library
Elaina Tancredy

Board Members Absent: Barbara D'Anneo Michelle Ketten
Laura Carrion Ronele Dotson
Tara Alto Tonya Champa

1. Introductions and Welcome

Carol McIntosh called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

2. Public Comment

No public comments were made

3. May 10, 2018 Board Minutes Approval

Ms. McIntosh presented the May 10, 2018 WNC Foundation Board Meeting Minutes. Darcy Houghton motioned to approve the minutes as written; Larry Goodnight seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Finance Committee Report

Sean Davison reviewed the Balance Sheet at Profit and Loss Statements for the Board. Mr. Davison reminded the Board that due to the restructure of the Chart of Accounts and financials a year over year comparison is more difficult. Mr. Davison reminded the board that pledges are no longer recorded as income with the new accounting method.

Mr. Davison stated that the Pangborn audit has started and that it is expected to be completed by September 1, 2018. Pangborn will present the findings of the audit at the next Board meeting. Carol McIntosh asked a question about the comparison over last year for unrestricted income. Mr. Davison responded with an explanation of how the dollars will go toward restricted vs unrestricted, and that there is an effort to be intentional about which dollars go where.

5. Approval of New Board Member Candidates

Niki Gladys introduced Sena Loyd and asked her to give a brief autobiography. She spoke for a few minutes stating her credentials and passion for her work. Ms. McIntosh asked for a motion to approve. Kathy Halbardier motioned to approve, Darcy Houghton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Introduction of New President, Dr. Vincent Solis

Dr. Vincent Solis introduced himself and provided an overview of some of his immediate plans. Dr. Solis discussed some different college programs and his plans for the college and those programs.

7. Reach for the Stars Preparation

Ms. McIntosh reminded the board that the Reach for the Stars Gala is scheduled for August 11, 2018. Ms. McIntosh introduced Elaina Tancredy as the auction coordinator for the event. Ms. Tancredy provided information around the planned auction items and give-aways during the gala.

Ms. McIntosh reviewed the planned schedule of events for the evening and requested the Board's assistance in obtaining additional sponsorships and donations.

8. Observatory Background Information

Dr. Thomas Herring provided an over view of the history of the Jack C. Davis Observatory to the Board. Dr. Herring discussed some of the different projects that the observatory volunteers focus on, as well as the goals and objectives of the observatory

and the volunteers and how they impact the community.

9. Golf for Education

Larry Goodnight provided an update on the Golf for Education event scheduled for September 28, 2018. Ms. Gladys advised the Board that the location of the tournament has moved to Toiyabe Golf Club in Washoe valley, and also provided an overview of the of the sponsorship fees. Mr. Goodnight asked that all at the meeting help find donations and sponsorships. Ms. Gladys also requested additional committee members for the planning committee.

10. Grants Update

Ms. Gladys advised the board that the request for the Library Services Technology Act (LSTA) grant for the library project has been approved. Ms. Gladys advised the committee that there is a matching component of the grant which is a great way to get the community involved.

Ms. Gladys provided an update on other grants including NV Energy and Rotary are in the application process. Ms. Gladys will be completing a proposal for the William N. Pennington Foundation to fund a renovation of the biology science lab.

In addition, Ms. Gladys advised the Board that the William N. Pennington Foundation has provided \$150,000 towards scholarships for the 2018-2019 academic year for Career and Technical Education.

11. Scholarship Update

Ms. Flynt provided an update on the scholarship application process. Ms. Flynt announced that the Foundation has received over 500 applications, and requested the assistance of the Board to continue to recruit additional qualified applicants.

Ms. Gladys also informed the Board that due to the increase in scholarships as well as the challenges with the process, the Foundation office is looking at different system solutions and may bring a proposal forward in the future.

12. Strategic Planning/Board Retreat

Ms. Gladys proposed the upcoming Board of Directors meeting dates as:

October 18, 2018

January 17, 2019

April 18, 2019

July 18, 2019

Rochelle Tisdale motioned to approve, Kathy Halbardier seconded the FY2019 Board Meeting Dates. The motion a passed as presented

13. New Business

Mr. Goodnight mentioned past plans for an Alumni association and road blocks that have

been encountered in the past. Dr. Solis agreed to look into obtaining directory information for this project.

Mr. Goodnight also asked Dr. Solis if there has been any plans on regarding the 200 acres of land that is owned by the college. Dr. Solis advised the Board that discussions with a charter school was determined that it would not be beneficial for the charter school. In addition, the 160 acres close to the college is restricted to prevent ambient light.

Ms. Tisdale recognized Holly O'Toole the new Campus Director of the Fallon Campus and Angela Viera her assistant. Ms. Tisdale, notified the board that they will be hosting the Churchill Economic development Authority breakfast on August 8th and invited the Board to attend.

14. Board Member Recognition

Ms. Flynt acknowledged Board members celebrating birthdays and new positions as well as other life events.

15. Adjourn Meeting

Kathy Halbardier moved to adjourn the meeting, Niki Gladys seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.