



District No. 15  
Wenatchee, Washington

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## WENATCHEE VALLEY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Regular Board Meeting

May 19, 2021 – 3:00 P.M.

Hybrid Meeting

### MINUTES

#### ATTENDANCE

Trustees Present:

Phyllis Gleasman, Chair  
Tamra Jackson, Vice Chair  
Steve Zimmerman  
Wilma Cartagena  
Paula Arno Martinez

Also Present:

Cabinet Members  
Faculty Members  
Students

#### CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 P.M.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

##### 1. April 20, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION NO. 2360

Tamra Jackson moved that the minutes of the April 20, 2021 board of trustees meeting minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Wilma Cartagena and carried unanimously.

#### CELEBRATING SUCCESS

##### 2. Stand Against Racism

WVC & ASWVC in partnership with the YWCA held 4 events this year for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Stand Against Racism Week.

April 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 was a keynote speaker Teresa Zepeda who spoke on Racism as a public health crisis and specifically the impact on the Latinx community in Wenatchee. We had 68 people tune in for this virtual event which was offered in Spanish and translated to English.

April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm we had a panel made up of Dr. Bindu Nayak of Confluence Health, Meleah Butruille WVC Nursing Faculty, Mary Big-Bull Lewis local Indigenous community leader, and Andy Joseph Jr. Colville Tribal member and Indian Health Board member. We had around 20 people participate in this event with great questions for the panelists about how to increase trust and improve racial bias in our health care systems.

April 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm the ASWVC held a march to Stand Against Racism which started at the YWCA thrift store downtown and marched to Memorial park downtown Wenatchee. We had around 65 people attend the March and were recognized on the front page of the Wenatchee World. The mayor's office signed and read a proclamation in support of the event.

April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm the Omak ASWVC held a march to Stand Against Racism which started and ended in the central park in Omak. There were around 45 participants and the mayors of both Omak and Okanogan read proclamations in support of the event. The event was also featured on the front page of the Chronicle.

Staff who were involved in the planning and execution of the events. Livia Millard, Marichuy Alvizar, Meleah Butruille, Shannon Statler and Erin Tofte.

Students who were involved with the planning and execution of the events. Karina Tobar, Sebas Garcia, Lina Mercado-Tejeda, Belinda Raub-Brown, Christa McCormick, Mason Renslow, Eleno Mendez, Lucero Cuevas, Patrice Cloman-Ezell, Elizabeth Rocel and David Raub.

## **SPECIAL REPORTS**

3. **Emilio (Sebas) Garcia, ASWVC Wenatchee President**  
Emilio Garcia did not add to his written report.
4. **Belinda Brown Raub, ASWVC Omak President**  
Belinda Brown Raub did not add to her written report.
5. **Heather Ryan, AHE President**  
Heather Ryan reported that Patrick Tracy will be the new AHE President starting June 1, 2021. Faculty is negotiating what the workload will be in the fall due to the different modalities brought upon by COVID as well as in the future. There has been a lot of interest from faculty regarding mandating vaccinations however, not all faculty support the idea and there has been no consensus.
6. **Mike Nelson, WPEA Chief Shop Steward**  
Mike Nelson was not present to give a verbal report.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

7. **Brett Riley, Vice President of Administrative Services**  
Brett Riley did not add to his written report.
8. **Dr. Tod Treat, Vice President of Instruction**  
Dr. Treat did not provide a report.
9. **Dr. Chio Flores, Vice President of Student Services**  
Dr. Flores did not add to her written report.
10. **Dr. Jim Richardson, President**  
President Dr. Richardson thanked Sean LaShier, Maria Iniguez and facilities for setting up the in-person board meeting.

## **ACTION**

### **1. Capital Expenditure Request Authority**

MOTION NO. 2361

WVC will design and build an approximately 10,000 sq. ft health science building on WVC's Omak campus with funding. The proposed Health Science Center (phase 1) project will provide shell space to house the following programs: Nursing, Nursing Assistant, Medical Laboratory Technician, Chemical Dependency, Tribal Business, and American Indian Indigenous Studies programs as well as provide space for continuing education programs.

Steve Zimmerman moved to approve Capital Expenditure Request Authority for the Omak Health Science Center. The motion was seconded by Paula Arno Martinez and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments

**ADJOURNMENT – 3:24 P.M.**

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Secretary

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Chair