

MEETING MINUTES
Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Work Session
Frances Morris Boardroom
April 13, 2020

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth

Board Member present by phone, Zoom: Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda, Richard Lamb, and Maria Chavoya

Board Member Absent: Anna Camacho

Others Present in person in Frances Morris Boardroom:

Dr. Daniel Corr, President

Ashley Herrington, Chief of Staff

Shahrooz Roothparvar, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services

Michelle Landis, Director of Financial Services and Controller

Others Present By Zoom:

Alfonso Zavala, Law Enforcement Training
Academy Director

Aman Ghebremicael, Associate Dean of
Scheduling

Bob Walker, Vice President of Technology

Bobby Alvarado, Faculty in Welding

Bryan Doak, Vice President for Student Services

Dr. Ellen Riek, Faculty in English

Dr. Joann Chang, Director of Center for Instructional
Excellence (CIE)

Lori Stofft, Vice President of Advancement

Marlie Meza, Faculty in Sciences

Martha Martinez, Faculty in Modern Languages

Peggy Hayes, Director of Purchasing

Reetika Dhawan, Dean for Career and
Technical Education

Richard Hernandez, Jr, Conference and Events
Technology Support Specialist

Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson, Vice President for
Learning Services

Dr. Michelle Sims, Faculty in Business

Dr. Nik Byle, Professor of Philosophy & Religion

Julia Howe, Student Support Coordinator –
Instinct2 Grant

Julie Koepp, Career Development Coordinator

Karen Johnson, Chief Human Resources Officer

Kyle Isaacs, Assistant Men's Basketball
Coach/Outreach Service Coordinator

Rosalia Delgado, Program Director, College
Assistant Migrant Program (CAMP)

Dr. Sarah Snyder, Faculty in English

Scott Donnelly, Professor of Chemistry

Sharon Martinez, Assistant Controller

Steve Moore, Faculty in English

Vanessa Natseway, Student Success Director

Call to Order: Board President Dennis Booth called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:03 am.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for the April 13, 2020 Work Session presented for approval.

Motion by Maria Chavoya, seconded by Olivia Zepeda.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Olivia Zepeda, Maria Chavoya, Richard Lamb and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Work Session

Dr. Corr welcomed the Board, those attending by Zoom and those within Frances Morris Boardroom.

Dr. Corr presented the 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget stating this proposed budget was unlike any other; the thoughtful planning required ingenuity through unprecedented current challenges.

The development and presentation of the Preliminary Budget focused on the direct link to the Strategic Plan and the four Strategic Directions driving the work of the college. The Mission and Vision of the College provided the framework for the Budget to focus on the ways education “transforms lives” (Mission) and “cultivate generations” (Vision) to grow the Communities that the College serves and achieve the B.H.A.G. of doubling baccalaureate attainment by 2035.

The preliminary budget proposed No increase, or 0%, increase for property tax, for La Paz and Yuma County Residents.

Dr. Corr summarized the Budget creation focusing on the seven objectives:

1. Demonstrate sound stewardship of the public’s money
2. Fund Strategic Planning Objectives
3. Support the development of a College-going culture
4. Respond to local workforce-development needs
5. Allow for an agile response to community needs
6. Continue improvement/modernization of Instructional Technology
7. Restructure Faculty compensation to attract retain top quality faculty

Dr. Corr will present the proposed budget to the College Districts through a Presidential Town Hall on April 16th at 10:00 am via Zoom.

Next Meeting: The next scheduled regular meeting will be Monday, April 13, 2020 at the Yuma Campus and via Zoom at 9 am.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Motion by Richard Lamb second by Olivia Zepeda.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries


Yea: Dennis Booth, Maria Chavoya, Richard Lamb and Olivia Zepeda.

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 am.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary