#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Arizona Western College District Governing Board Meeting Workshop Meeting 10 am Frances Morris Boardroom - Yuma Campus and Via Zoom February 13, 2024

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth, Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda Board Member present by Zoom from Parker Learning Center: Dr. Kenneth MacFarland\*,

Maria Chavoya

**Board Member present by Zoom Board Member Absent**: Richard Lamb

\*Ouorum confirmed

# Others Present within Boardroom: (10)

Dr. Daniel Corr, President

Ashley Herrington, Chief of Staff

Bryan Doak, Vice President for Student Services Dimercia Poulain, Student Government Association

President

Dr. Kathleen Iudicello, Vice President of Learning

Services

Katheline Ocampo, Chief Human Resources Officer

Noemi Barraza, Executive Administrative Assistant

to the President's Office

Lorraine Stofft, Vice President for Advancement and Executive Director of AWC Foundation

Brenda Sawyer, Director of Purchasing

Reetika Dhawan, Chief Executive Officer of Entrepreneurial College & Vice President of

Workforce & Healthcare

# Others Present within on Zoom: (4)

Ross Peppenberger, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services

Annie Welker, Administrative Assistant IV

Jodi Trout, Administrative Assistant

Noemi Barraza

Community Member Present by Zoom: (1) Duce Minor

Others Present within the Boardroom: (1) Zafer Genc, CEO La Paz Regional Hospital

**Call to Order:** Board President Dennis Booth called the Workshop Meeting to order at 11:05 am.

The Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Board President Dennis Booth.

**Adoption of Agenda:** The agenda for the February 13, 2024, meeting is presented for approval.

Motion by Olivia Zepeda, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

### Call to the Audience:

Zafer Genc approached the call to the audience and referred to HB2501 and his concern.

## **Board Meeting Workshop**

Summary

The District Governing Board is the publicly elected Governing Body of the five Districts representing La Paz and Yuma counties. The District Governing Board is charged with the Strategic Direction of the college, and the Workshop hosted an informal, guided conversation about the current mission and vision. Dr. Daniel Corr presented the Workshop goal to review the statements and determine if there is a desire to review them, revise them, and, or, re-create them to launch the Strategic Planning Phase. He welcomed Lori Stofft, Vice President of Advancement to lead the conversation as the tri-chair from the last Strategic Planning Session, and the Lead for this next place. She led the District Governing Board through the Current Mission and Vision Statement history. These were created through a Strategic Planning process in 2016-2017 with feedback and input from the community, students, staff, and Board members of the Mission and Vision Statement.

Current Mission Statement: Transforming lives through education and partnership to create thriving communities.

Current Vision Statement: Cultivating generations who value knowledge, foster independence, eliminate poverty, and create vital, equitable and sustainable communities.

Discussion about the Mission Statement – which drives the purpose of the Community College, the change lives and improve communities. The College serves the unique communities served and continues to leverage partnerships through the work of the college. The Board's consensus is to affirm the Mission as written.

Discussion about the Vision Statement – the statement reflects the bold and aspirational role of eliminating poverty versus promoting prosperity. The Vision supports the internal way our cultural ideal of the best possible College for our community.

Conclusion of unanimous support for Mission Statement and further discussion on Vision statement related to the word 'foster' within the statement. Desire to have Mision and Vision translated to Spanish, and other languages representing our community.

**Closing Items:** No closing Items

**Next Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be just after this meeting, Tuesday, February 13 at 11 am with the next Regular meeting conducted both in-person and via Zoom and at the Frances Morris Boardroom at the Yuma Campus.

Motion by Maria Chavoya seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None Abstain: None

The Board Approved the next meeting date and final matters of the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley B. Hurington, Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary