

MEETING MINUTES
Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Regular Meeting
Frances Morris Boardroom
September 16, 2019

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth, Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda, Maria Chavoya, Anna Camacho and Richard Lamb.

Board Member Present by Phone: None

Board Member Absent: None

Others Present:

Dr. Daniel P. Corr, President	Fatima Covarrubias, President of Student Government Association
Ashley Herrington, Executive Assistant to the President	Jana Moore, Associate Dean for Campus Locations and Academic Resources
Bob Walker, Vice President of Technology	John Edmondson, Outgoing Chief of Police for Arizona Western College
Bryan Doak, Vice President for Student Services	Karen Johnson, Chief Human Resources Officer
Lori Stofft, Vice President of Advancement	Maria Guerrero, Student of the Month
Reetika Dhawan, Dean for Career and Technical Education	Family Members of Maria Guerrero (6)
Shahrooz Roohparvar, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services	Moses Diaz de Leon, Professor of Business
Angelica Diaz de Leon, Academic Advisor	Richard Hernandez, Conference & Events Technician I
Ashley Macawile, President of Classified Employee Association	Shara Skinner, Students Leadership and Activities Director
Dr. Eric Lee, Division Chair for English Language and English Faculty Member	Sonja Greiner, Faculty Senate District Governing Board Representative
Dr. Michael Miller, English Faculty member	
Stephen Suho, Chief of Police for Arizona Western College	

Call to Order: Board President Dennis Booth called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:04 am.

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

Introductions: Lori Stofft welcomed the Board Members, Dr. Corr, and Ashley Herrington then welcomed faculty, professional staff, students and guests.

Approval of Minutes: August 10, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes presented for approval.

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for the September 16, 2019 meeting presented for approval.

Motion by Maria Chavoya, seconded by Olivia Zepeda.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Call to the Audience:

Mr. Richard Lamb approached the Call to the Audience. He presented the burning of the Bridge connecting La Paz county railroad lines. The bridge connects multiple community centers within the La Paz District and impacts community members, school bus routes and county commerce.

Mr. John Edmondson, Outgoing Chief of Police for Arizona Western College, thanked the Board and College President, Dr. Daniel Corr, for the privilege to serve the College in the capacity as Chief of Police. He noted that the past 12 years of serving the college has been a tremendous opportunity to serve both the community and students at Arizona Western College.

Arizona Association of Community College Trustees: Board Member Maria Chavoya thanked the Board for attending the 2019 Arizona Association of Community College Trustees Conference hosted September 6- 8 in Prescott, Arizona. The Conference to focus on the State Education Goals, student success and Education advocacy programs.

Employee Reports

Faculty Report: Sonja Greiner presented on behalf of the Faculty Senate Committee.

Ms. Greiner highlighted the various events faculty have participated in through August 2019.

- Brenda Doak, Coordinator and Instructor for the Paralegal Program attended the American Bar association meeting in Chicago this summer to learn the process of getting our Paralegal Program ABA approved. She is also working with local law firms in the hopes of getting an internship program in place for Paralegal Studies.
- Liz Renaud, Professor of Early Childhood Education, participated in the Yuma Arts Center Let's Dance Yuma 2019. She taught a hula workshop that concentrated on Hawaiian history, culture, language and dance
- William Blomquist, Professor of Fine Arts, announced the 2019 Art Faculty Exhibition from August 20 to September 13 at the Yuma Campus in the AB 100 Art Gallery
- Dr. Liza E. Martinez, Professor of English as a Second Language, Liza had an article published by TESOL in the electronic newsletter The Teacher Educator Interest Section titles Bringing ESL Reading into Focus: TESOL'S Advanced Practitioner Program. The article led to a one-year online professional development program.
- Stephanie Francis, Cinthia Reyes and Emily Adams all attended a Nurse Nuts & Bolts for Nurse Educator's conferences in Minneapolis where they learned strategies to develop evidence-based teaching and improve their classroom, clinical and lab learning environments.

Classified Employee Association Report: Ashley Macawile, President of the Classified Employee Association (CEA)

The Classified Employee Association President Ashley Macawile presented 2019 Champion of Worksite Wellness award recipient Desiree Gunderman. Ms. Gunderman earned this award for her work with the Wellness@Work Committee. Mark Leeds nominated The Red Plate Recipient for September 2019, Kirby Naputi. CEA has professional development workshops through the fall continuing to focus on leveraging technology in the workplace.

Student Government Association (SGA): Fatima Covarrubias, President of Student Government Association Ms. Fatima Covarrubias welcomed the Board to the new academic year. She highlighted the upcoming SGA and Club activities. Starting September 23, CAMPSA will be hosting the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations as well as hosting a Club Fair in the 3C Breezeway.

Student of the Month: Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson, Vice President of Learning Services

Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson introduced Student of the Month, Maria Guerrero. Dr. Sarah Snyder shared that Ms. Guerrero is focusing on her degree in Elementary Education and is an outstanding student. Ms. Guerrero thanked

the Board and Dr. Snyder for her award and for believing in her. She thanked her family for their support and giving her the opportunity to prioritize her education.

Action Item #1 – Human Resources Candidates for Exempt Positions and Review of Unfilled Positions – Presented by Dr. Daniel P. Corr

Candidates for Exempt Positions

- Ginnellie Gutierrez, Enrollment and Recruitment Specialist
- Latoya Howell, Director of Housing/Residence Life
- Laura Campbell, AWC Foundation Executive Director
- Michelle D. Keeling, Professor of Education
- Roberto Madrigal Diaz, Assistant Volleyball Coach/Sports Coordinator
- Sharon Martinez, Assistant Controller
- Sally Gastello, Assistant Softball Coach/Sports Coordinator
- Stephen D. Suho, Chief of Police

Motion by Anna Camacho, seconded by Maria Chavoya.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #2 – Consideration to Confirm the Appointment of AWC Representative to the Education Foundation of Yuma County – Presented by Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #3 – Consideration to Award a Contract to Educational Services Inc. (ESI) for the Chief Human Resource Officer Position – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Olivia Zepeda, second by Maria Chavoya

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #4 – Consideration to Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Yuma Union High School District # 70 and Arizona Western College for Shared Facility Use – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #5 – Consideration to Approve the Purchase of Two Vehicles for the College Facilities Department – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Olivia Zepeda, second by Maria Chavoya

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #6 – Consideration to Renew National Public Radio (NPR) Agreement – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #7 – Consideration to Approve the Annual Microsoft Fees Renewal with GovConnection, Inc. – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Anna Camacho, second by Maria Chavoya

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #8 – Voucher Approval – Presented by Shahrooz Roohparvar

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Action #9 – Consideration to Approve Policy 135 for Promise Programs – Presented by Dr. Daniel P. Corr

Motion by Maria Chavoya, second by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

President's Reports

Student Services; Vice President of Student Services, Bryan Doak

Bryan Doak welcomed the Board. During his report, he shared the 20 Professional Development Conferences representatives from Student Services attended over the 2018-2019 academic year. Each of the opportunity has supported the Department's commitment to student success through growing the tools and skills of the staff for a wrap-around services model to streamline practices to better serve students through the #studentsfirst mindset.

Learning Services; Vice President of Learning Services, Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson

Dr. Linda Elliott-Nelson welcomed the Board. She welcomed Dr. Eric Lee, Division Chair for English. Dr. Miller welcomed Dr. Michael Miller. Dr. Miller summarized the work of his Spring 2019 sabbatical. His sabbatical work focus on his focus of the Sonoran Landscape and its'

Finance and Administrative Services; Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services, Shahrooz Roohparvar

Shahrooz Roohparvar welcomed the Board. He introduced Mr. Stephen Suho, new Chief of Police for Arizona Western College. Chief Suho shared the Mission of the Police Department that focused on 'community policing' for the safety and well-being of the students, faculty, and staff of AWC. Chief Suho stated the tremendous opportunity to continue to serve the Community after his career at the Yuma Police Department. The partnership with the local Police Department supports AWC Police Department and the students who are enrolled in the Law Enforcement Training Academy (LETA). LETA Coordinator, Rick Colwell, spoke about the recent graduation of 10 new cadets entering the community. The report finished with a video of pictures and video of 20-week program was shown.

Closing Items:

Dr. Corr addressed the Board. He invite the Board to attend the upcoming Horizon Symposium November 15, 2019 here at the Yuma Campus.

Next Meeting: The next scheduled regular meeting will be Monday, Monday, October 21st at the Yuma Campus at 8:00 am.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Motion by Anna Camacho, second by Richard Lamb

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary