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CORRECTED (per April 11, 2008 BOT meeting/Consent Agenda)

Call to Order

Tom Schilling, Chair convened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for Fort Lewis College at 10:00 a.m.

Trustees Present:

Tom Schilling, Brian Bissell, Peter Decker, Pat Noyes, Leonel Silva.

Trustees Present via Teleconference:

Richard Ballantine, Linda Campbell, Bridget Irish, Anna Mekeel

Staff Present:

Brad Bartel, President; Steve Roderick, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs; Glenna Sexton, Vice President for Student Affairs; Fred Kuhlwillm, Legal Counsel

Staff Present via Teleconference:

Steve Schwartz, Deputy Treasurer & Vice President for Finance and Administration; Peggy Sharp, Deputy Secretary & Executive Assistant to the President; and Mike Larson, Audio Consultant.

PUBLIC COMMENT -- None

ACTION AGENDA -- CONSENT ITEMS

Chairman Schilling asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Leonel Silva so moved, with a second by Brian Bissell. Motion passed and the following consent items were approved:

Approval of the Minutes of the December 5, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for Fort Lewis College

Approval of the Minutes of the December 4, 2007 Teleconference Meeting of the Performance and Audit Committee

Approval of Emeritus/Emerita Rank Recommendations

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT/REPORT

Danny Tomlinson, lobbyist for Fort Lewis College, gave a brief report on activities in the legislature and current legislation relative to higher education. He updated the Board on projects being considered by the Capital Development Committee and responded to questions from the Trustees. The Joint Budget Committee is expected to do figure setting for higher education on March 6.

Standing Reports

Faculty Representative Report

Bridget Irish elaborated on aspects of her written report regarding the Teaching Empowerment Team (TET) program. This program is financially supported by the Provost Office and there has been a good participation from the faculty.

Student Representative Report

Anna Mekeel expanded on a few of the ASFLC activities and projects – including involvement in the state organization, Associated Students of Colorado, and their campaign in support of the textbook legislation.

Foundation/Alumni Report

President Bartel reported that the capital campaign for the new Student Union is gaining momentum. Joel Jones and Peter and Deedee Decker are co-chairs of this effort.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Bartel reported on the following topics:

Recruitment out of the Denver Admission Office

Erica Waxbom and Conner Simcox are the outreach staff in the Denver area and have office space in Tom Schilling's Intermountain Corporate Affairs suite. Erica was present at this meeting and briefly described her recruiting responsibilities as well as those areas being covered by Coner. Provost Roderick stated the success of this outreach effort will be measured by the number of contacts and the resulting increase in number of students from the Front Range.

Update on Administrative Searches

Provost Roderick reported that Dr. Gary Linn has accepted the position of Dean of the School of Business Administration and Dr. Maureen Brandon, will become the Dean of Natural and Behavioral Sciences. Both will assume their responsibilities in July, 2008.

The three finalists for the position of Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences have visited campus and the search committee is in the process of making a recommendation to the Provost. President Bartel stated that two candidates have been interviewed for the directorship of the Center of Southwest Studies. The final candidate will visit campus next week.

Capital Construction Report

Moving of faculty and staff from Berndt Hall to accommodate the Biology construction project will soon begin. Steve Schwartz indicated that the Student Union and residence hall projects are in the design stage. He also briefed the Board on the snow removal currently underway on campus.

Chairman Schilling asked for a motion to go into executive session pursuant to section 23-6-402(3)(a)(II) and -402(3)(b)(I) of the Colorado Revised Statutes to discuss the employment of Fort Lewis College personnel and to receive legal advice from legal counsel as needed regarding such employment and that Fred Kuhlwilm, legal counsel, be invited to join the Board in executive session and Brad Bartel will join the session when requested. Brian Bissell so moved with a second by Peter Decker. Executive session commenced at 11:15 a.m.

Pat Noyes moved to adjourn the executive session. Anna Mekeel seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular business meeting reconvened at 12:00 noon.

ACTION AGENDA – NON-CONSENT

Approval of Fee Schedule for Academic Year 2008-2009

Leonel Silva moved for approval of the Fee Schedule for Academic Year 2008-2009 as recommended by the Business Affairs Committee. Brian Bissell seconded. Motion carried

Approval of Background Check Policy for Immediate Implementation

Leonel Silva moved for approval of the Background Check Policy for immediate implementation based on the recommendation by the Business Affairs Committee. Brian Bissell seconded the motion and motion carried.

Peter Decker moved to adjourn, with a second by Brian Bissell.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.