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## MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** *April 20, 2022*

**ITEM TITLE:** 9.1a

**CONTACT PERSON:** *Laurie Popp, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education*

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 23, 2022**

### Session 1055

A meeting of the Mt. Hood Community College District Board of Education was held on February 23, 2022, with a Student Town Hall with the Board and President at 4:00 pm held via a Zoom meeting.

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Annette Mattson, board chair, Andrew Speer, vice chair, Diane McKeel, Diane Noriega, LaVerne Lewis, Marie Teune

Additional Attendees: Lisa Skari, president; John Hamblin, vice president of Student Development; Al Sigala, vice president of College Advancement; Al McQuarters, vice president of Instruction; Doctor Abio Ayeliya, director of Student Life and Civic Engagement; Rozina Lethe, Student Leadership and Engagement Coordinator; Emily Pham Lee, ASG President; Brittany Gossard, ASG Student Health & Recreation Events Rep.; Ana Acosta, ASG Bruning Center Rep.; Nick Vettas, ASG Campus Affairs Rep.; Mariam Ngoye, ASG Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Rep.; Tess; Barisso; Eva; Jennifer; Ivan; Kimberly A.; Gabriel G.; Steve K.

Mattson called the Student Town Hall to order at 4:02 p.m.

#### 2.0 STUDENT TOWN HALL WITH THE BOARD

Mattson welcomed everyone to the Student Town Hall, and introductions were made. Students shared feedback on several questions about their experiences at the college.

1. How is the college supporting you and your success?
  - Have more one-on-one mentorship for students that are transferring to a four-year university. The success program at MHCC is very good.
  - Have more support for students using “Blackboard” and other technology.

- Have more support for online learning.
  - Have more security cameras on campus.
  - The advisors at MHCC are very good.
  - MHCC has a sense of community and opportunities that are not like other places.
  - MHCC has so many diverse programs that are appreciated.
  - MHCC is willing to adapt to what works best for students.
  - The support system at MHCC is unlike anything they have ever experienced. There is an instant community feel at MHCC.
  - Have more support for ESL students for exams. The time limit is challenging.
  - Have a place for students to get basic supplies on campus.
2. The college and educational system have changed as a result of the pandemic. What are things we should keep? What are things we should change or do differently?
- Have more of a hybrid support from teachers for students.
  - Offer a hybrid experience for social gathering events for students.
  - Offer virtual drop-in sessions at the student union.
  - Have an open chat space for students to talk to instructors if Zoom does not work.
  - Not having a study buddy is hard for some students.
  - Online learning is very flexible and works well for students that work.
  - Have more flexible Instructor office hours for students. Not all Instructors have office hours, so it is hard for students to communicate with them. Have Instructors communicate more with students.
  - The online tutorials are helpful, but there needs to be more technology support.
  - It is a challenge getting in touch with Instructors. Some Instructors record their lectures, so students cannot ask questions like they would during a Zoom session. Students have to watch the recorded lecture multiple times. It would be good to have a Zoom session so students could ask questions.
  - Have better communication with other universities for dual-enrolled students.
  - Have better communication with students regarding financial aid paperwork, and if there is anything missing or needed to complete the process.
3. What programs or services at the college are the most important to you?"
- Student Basic Needs
  - Student Life
  - Career Technical Programs
  - Mentorship in many areas
  - Transition Program
  - More emails and advertising so students can get connected and go to a center to get some help
  - Central Student HUB to ask for help



4. The board has prioritized creating a college that is diverse and inclusive, education is equitable, and it is a place where everyone feels like they belong. Do you have any recommendations for the college in these areas?

- Have a Family Resource Center on campus for students that have children.
- Have more flexibility for single parents (i.e. if they get sick or need to take care of sick children). They cannot always get work turned in on time.
- For international students, provide Zoom opportunities for students to communicate with each other or communicate with instructors.
- Provide more Covid support and wrap-around care for students that get sick with Covid. There needs to be more grace to keep retention and keep students coming to school.

Board members thanked students for participating in the Student Town Hall and for sharing their feedback with the board.

### 3.0 ADJOURNMENT

The student town hall was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

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Clerk

Board Chair

*Minutes recorded by Laurie Popp, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education.*