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## MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** *November 15, 2023*

**ITEM TITLE:** 4.1a

**CONTACT PERSON:** *Roxanne Richardson, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education*

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 4, 2023**

### Session 1091

A meeting of the Mt. Hood Community College District Board of Education was held on October 4, 2023, with a Board Work Session at 6:00 pm, in the Board Room at Mt. Hood Community College, 26000 SE Stark Street, Gresham, Oregon, and via Zoom.

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Diane McKeel, board vice chair, Annette Mattson, Diane Noriega, Marie Teune, ShaToya Bentley, Dana Stroud

Additional Attendees: Lisa Skari, president, Al Sigala, vice president, College Advancement, Rebecca Van Lieshout, Senior Grant Specialist, Ellucian, Sergey Shepelov, associate vice president, Data, Assessment, and Institutional Effectiveness

McKeel called the work session to order at 6:01 p.m.

#### 2.0 CALL TO ORDER

##### 2.1 Ellucian Update

Al Sigala began the update by presenting an overview of the grant services Ellucian provides to the college. Rebecca Van Lieshout, Ellucian Representative, who leads the grant efforts at the college, provided a Grants Activity Annual Report for the Fiscal year 2023 – July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 and responded to questions from the Board.

The report included:

- Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Highlights –
  - Impact on Students
  - Impact on The Institution
- Fiscal Year 2024 Q1 Updates –



- HECC –Future Ready Oregon: Workforce Ready Round
- U.S. Department of Education –Title III(a): Strengthening Institutions Program
- 2023 OVW -Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus
- A Look Forward –
  - Funding Opportunities
  - Organizational Development

Van Lieshout will be doing a MHCC site visit the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>. She will be hosting a Project Directors Workshop October 25<sup>th</sup> to go over the grant development process and grant management. In addition, she will be meeting with various college groups to include, the President’s Office Leadership Team, Executive Team, Dean’s, Project Director’s, Analytics and Institutional Research, and the Business Office. Ellucian also offers an annual webinar series and this November 2023 there will be one on Logic Models and Project Design.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached to the minutes.

## 2.2 Community Engagement Presentation Planning

The Board Community Engagement Committee met and discussed the community engagement activity tracker, if it is still a useful tool, the different organizations and businesses on it, and what needs to be added for the 2023-2024 year. These questions were also posed to the Board at this meeting for feedback.

Skari posed the following questions for the Board:

- What are the boards priorities or outcomes we want to achieve?
- How do these differ or overlap with efforts being done by the college already?

The discussion resulted in the following priorities:

- Visiting the cities of Fairview, Sandy, Cascade locks and the Corbett Board/ School District by the end of the year.
- Focusing on all school boards/districts starting in January 2024.

Stroud mentioned adding the following to the presentations that will be given:

- The academic achievements of the college, including being ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the Nation.
- The student story or experience, perhaps including a student from each school district, sharing their story or having them share their own story in person.

The next community engagement committee meeting will be scheduled following the meeting for further planning and discussion.

## 2.3 Accreditation 101



Dr. Skari began this presentation by showing a webinar from the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) titled, "Accreditation and Community College Trustees," which discusses a publication written for ACCT by Dr. Judith S. Eaton, who has served as president of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), since 1996.

The webinar was pre-faced with some important facts for Trustees to know about accreditation including:

- It is a pre-condition for receiving federal and state funding.
- It occurs at the institutional and programmatic levels.
- It can have important programmatic and budgetary implications.
- It provides an opportunity to take stock of how well the college is doing.
- It can be a valuable tool for trustees to understand better where their colleges are succeeding and where further progress is needed.

The webinar covered:

- The purpose and roles of accreditation in U.S. higher education.
- The organizations that accredit community colleges.
- The process of accreditation.
- The role of trustees in the accreditation process.
- The caveats and concerns that Trustees should consider.
- A list of links to a variety of resources for additional information

Following the webinar, the Board went over the upcoming accreditation visit schedule for October 2023, to review the Board role for related meetings. Sergey Shepelov discussed the accreditation visit, meeting specifics, how MHCC's Strategic Key Performance Student Success Indicators play a role, and answered questions from the Board. The Board also had a chance to brainstorm some thoughts on what they thought the college has done well and has improved upon in the last few years in order to prepare for their meeting with the accreditors.

A copy of the handouts from this presentation are attached to the minutes.

To close the meeting, McKeel shared the MHCC Foundation calendar and their coming events. She also highlighted that the organization All Hands Raised is hosting an event where individuals can volunteer to be a principal for the day in local area schools.

### 3.0 ADJOURNMENT

The work session was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



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Clerk

Board Chair

*Minutes recorded by Roxanne Richardson, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education.*