

1 FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
3 Regular Board Meeting
4 Monday, February 25, 2019 3:45 p.m.
5 Board Room - Blake Hall/SCA Building
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7 A regular meeting of the Flathead Valley Community College Board of Trustees convened at
8 3:45 p.m., Monday, February 25, 2019, in the Board Room of Blake Hall 140/144.
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10 **I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

11 Chairperson Shannon Lund called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. The following Board
12 members were in attendance:

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14 Lyle Mitchell Peter Akey Callie Langohr
15 Mark Holston Kelly Stimpson Stephanie Wallace
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17 Also present were President Jane Karas and Monica Settles, Clerk of the District.
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19 **II. PUBLIC COMMENT-None**

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21 **III. CONSENT ITEMS - ACTION**

- 22 A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting on January 28,
23 2019
24 B. Next regular Board of Trustees meeting – March 18, 2019
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26 Trustee Mark Holston moved that the Board of Trustees approve ITEMS A & B Under Section
27 III, Consent Items-Action. Trustee Stephanie Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried
28 unanimously with seven (7) "yes" votes.
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30 **IV. REPORTS/COMMENTS**

31 **A. Students**

32 **1. Student Activities Report**

33 Emily Scallen, Student, presented the Board with a review of the student
34 activities report, please see Attachment I. Emily noted that Interclub Council has begun to meet
35 regularly. It was also noted that in celebration of the 20th Anniversary of Seussville University,
36 a free screening of Dr. Seuss's "The Lorax" will be held on Saturday, March 2, at 1:00 pm and
37 3:30 pm in the FVCC Theatre. The film is free and open to the public while seating is available.
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39 **B. Faculty**

40 **1. Faculty Activities Report**

41 Dr. Heather Estrada, presented the Board with the Faculty Activities
42 Report, please see Attachment II.
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44 **C. Monthly Reports**

45 **1. Executive Staff Activities Report**

46 The Board of Trustees received written reports from the Executive Staff.
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1 **V. COLLEGE ISSUES**

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3 **A. Student Success: Innovation Slams**

4 Faculty and Staff presented the Board with “Innovation Slams.” These Innovation
5 Slams were shared during the January 2019, all employee in-service. Faculty and Staff shared
6 their product, designs or an idea or process on campus, with the Board. The slams give an
7 opportunity to share new ideas and innovative thoughts on things occurring in the campus
8 community. Several slams were shared including virtual reality and pod casts in libraries,
9 innovations in plastics recycling and renewability, student survival stories, CDL simulator, and
10 Campus Safety and Security.

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12 **B. Board Policy, Chapter IV, Fiscal Affairs, Section 30, Student Tuition**
13 **(Second Reading)**

14 The Board was presented with Board Policy, Chapter IV, Fiscal Affairs, Section
15 30, Tuition, second reading. It was noted that no additional changes had been made since the
16 first reading. After review, Trustee Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees approve
17 Board Policy, Chapter IV, Fiscal Affairs, Section 30, Student Tuition (second reading). Trustee
18 Pete Akey seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously
19 with seven (7) “yes” votes.

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21 **C. Spring Enrollment Update**

22 President Karas provided the Board with an update on spring enrollment. FTE
23 enrollment is down slightly for Spring 2019 compared to the same time last year. FTE is down
24 38 FTE or 2.8%. Headcount is up 125 or 5% compared to the same time last year. President
25 Karas indicated that as a result of low unemployment, we have more students taking fewer
26 credits compared to Spring 18. Running Start enrollment continues to remain strong at 706.

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28 **D. Board of Trustees Events Calendar**

29 President Karas reviewed the Trustees’ events calendar and noted that the next
30 regularly scheduled Board meeting is Monday, March 18, 2019. The Scholarship Luncheon is
31 scheduled for Wednesday, February 27. The Board of Regents will hold their next meeting
32 March 7-8, 2019 in Helena.

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34 **E. President’s Update**

35 President Karas updated the Board on several items:

- 36 • President Karas shared that she and Trustee Stimpson recently traveled to
37 Washington, D.C. to attend the ACCT National Legislative Summit,
38 February 11-12. President Karas and Trustee Stimpson were able to meet
39 with Montana’s State Senators and Representative or their staff and all
40 were very receptive to visiting with them. Trustee Stimpson noted that she
41 appreciated the opportunity to represent Flathead Valley Community
42 College at the event and stated that it is great to see that FVCC already
43 does much of what is shared at the event.
- 44 • President Karas provided an update on the current Legislative Session.
45 The session will recess for their Legislative Transmittal Break March 3-6,
46 2019. The Joint Subcommittee on Education completed their work. The
47 college will continue to work with the other two community colleges to try

1 to increase the amount of funding in the Executive Budget.

- 2 • The ONE Campaign has raised \$17.2 million of the \$18 million goal.
3 Construction of the Library and Learning Commons is expected to be
4 completed this semester. Once the construction is complete moving and
5 transition of the library to the new space will begin. Groundbreaking for
6 the new College Center should be sometime in the fall.

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8 **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

9 With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

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13 Shannon Lund, Chairperson of the Board

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16 Kelly Stimpson, Secretary to the Board
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