

1 FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
3 Regular Board Meeting
4 Monday, May 21 2018, 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, May 21, 2018, in the Board Room of Blake Hall/SCA 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 Peter Akey Kelly Stimpson Stephanie Wallace
15 Callie Langohr Mark Holston Lyle Mitchell
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17 Also present were President Jane Karas and Monica Settles, Clerk of the District.
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19 **A. Oath of Office**

20 The Clerk of the District administered the "Oath of Office" to Lyle Mitchell and
21 Callie Langohr and requested their signatures on the "Certificate of Election" form.
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23 **II. PUBLIC COMMENT-None**
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25 **III. CONSENT ITEMS - ACTION**

- 26 **A.** Approval of the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting on April 23, 2018 and
27 the Special Board Conference Call on May 2, 2018 and May 9, 2018.
28 **B.** Approval of the Fulltime Faculty CBA
29 **C.** Next regular Board of Trustees meeting – June 25, 2018
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31 Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees approve ITEMS A, B, & C Under Section II,
32 Consent Agenda-Action. Stephanie Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried
33 unanimously with seven (7) "yes" votes.
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35 **IV. COMMENTS**

36 **A. Students**

37 **1. Student Activities Report**

38 The Student Activities Report was submitted to the Board as a written report.

39 **Student Engagement and Community Involvement (Service Learning)**

40 The Student Engagement Office hosted two Service Saturday events in April. Students visited
41 the Flathead County Animal Shelter to receive volunteer training on April 7th. On Arbor Day,
42 students, staff and community members, volunteered with the Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the
43 Rivers to Lake program to plant 730 trees along the Flathead River. The Red Cross Blood Drive
44 on April 16th collected 24 pints of blood. The food pantry received 93 lbs. and distributed 44 lbs.
45 with 3 visits. The Service Learning Program had 163 participants.

46 **A.I.C.E.**

47 AICE is hosting a Real Life Fair on May 21st for students with disabilities transitioning to work

1 or college.

2 **Audionauts**

3 Audionauts held two jam sessions in April. On April 13th a free dance class was offered to all
4 interested students. The last Open Mic was on May 10th.

5 **Global Friends**

6 In April, Global Friends hosted a Hidden Child of the Holocaust speaker for FVCC students and
7 the community. The event had a great turn out.

8 **Intramural/Campus Rec.**

9 This past month, basketball, floor hockey, flag football, and ultimate frisbee were offered to
10 students finishing the year with the 7th annual Student vs. Staff softball game. Summer Campus
11 Rec trips are currently being advertised for June, July and August. Trips this summer are
12 horseback riding in Glacier National Park, Whitewater Rafting, Biking the Hiawatha Trail,
13 Hiking, Mountain Biking, Aerial Adventure Park and kayaking. Students are able to sign up for
14 these trips if they are enrolled in summer or fall classes. Spring semester wrapped up with a total
15 of 316 participants.

16 **Phi Theta Kappa**

17 Phi Theta Kappa hosted a trivia night, four open houses and the Spring Induction Ceremony.
18 Molly Maxwell and 5 members attended the PTK International Conference in Kansas City. An
19 election for new officers was held on May 2nd. PTK hosted a concession stand at the outdoor
20 moving on May 4th.

21 **Student Government**

22 FVCC Student Government (FVCCSG) assisted with the annual book sale. The funds raised will
23 go towards professional development activities for next year. Elections were held on May 2nd
24 along with an end of the year BBQ for all students and employees. On May 4th, FVCCSG hosted
25 an outdoor movie on the AT lawn. Over 60 attendees received free Sweet Peaks ice cream and
26 enjoyed the new Star Wars movie - The Last Jedi.

27 **Student Wellness**

28 The Wellness Club hosted Denim Day and the Red Sand Project on April 25th. Students and
29 employees were encouraged to wear blue denim to create awareness about sexual assault and the
30 importance of healthy relationships. The Red Sand Project encouraged students to fill sidewalk
31 cracks with red sand to raise awareness of human trafficking and modern day slavery. The
32 Scream Room was a success with 40 student visits. A successful Stress Less day was hosted on
33 May 9th from 10-2. The Pet Partner dogs and massage chairs/tables were a big hit. Over 80
34 massages were provided.

35 **S.W.A.T.**

36 S.W.A.T. held their elections during their last meeting and are working on club goals for next
37 semester.

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39 **B. Faculty**

40 **1. Faculty Activities Report**

41 The Faculty Activities Report was submitted to the Board as a written report.

42 **Joe Legate** reports that FVCC Theatre Arts recruitment work has resulted in record growth in
43 area high school students choosing to attend FVCC. Current projections indicate possibly 25 or
44 more theatre majors for Fall, 2018.

45 The 2018-2019 FVCC Theatre Season has been announced. Celebrating past favorites, classics
46 and continuing to work with the new Music Department: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*,
47 *Eurydice*, *Noises Off*, *Man of La Mancha*, *10 Min. One Act Festival*

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2 **Laura VandeKop and Erin Wenner** will be going to the Montana Math Meeting (M³) in
3 Butte this summer (6/27 & 28). **Molly Maxwell** may also attend. This is a collaboration of MT
4 math educators working to improve math education in the state of MT.

5 **Amy Pearson** organized a very successful Many Voices Symposium. There were 9 student
6 speakers and the event was well attended by the public. Over \$1,000 was awarded in prizes.
7 There are plans to continue and expand the event. Amy also performed a staged reading of “100
8 Days of Solitude” in Whitefish with several theatre students.

9 **Rob Bauer** has an article appearing this month in the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*, “Gilded
10 Age Gladiators: Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the First Major League Baseball Spring Training.”
11 He will be presenting this research at the June meeting of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the
12 Society for American Baseball Research (SABR). Rob has also joined SABR’s 19th Century
13 Baseball Research Committee, and an excerpt from his book *Outside the Lines of Gilded Age*
14 *Baseball: Alcohol, Fitness, and Cheating in 1880s Baseball* appeared in their most recent
15 newsletter, “19th Century Notes.”

16 **Phil MacGregor** participated in a three-round modified Delphi study as a subject matter expert
17 to determine exemplary technology literacy definitions and to develop Basic Academic
18 Technology Literacy Rubrics in the areas of word processing, spreadsheets, database, and
19 presentation software.

20 **Rob Blackston** just finished his Masters in Educational Technology and Graduate Certificate in
21 Online Teaching from Boise State University.

22 **Mirabai R. McCarthy** was selected by her former student, Nick Glynos, as the teacher who has
23 made the most significant contribution to his achievement. Nick, who transferred to Cornell
24 University two years ago is graduating in the top 1% of his senior class and is being chosen as a
25 *Merrill Presidential Scholar*, which translates to one of Cornell's most outstanding seniors!
26 Cornell has invited her to attend the ceremony this month.

27 **Stephanie Paidas** worked with Cathy Allard and a local employer to set up a psychology
28 independent study internship for an FVCC student with Glacier Road Scholar for this summer.
29 She will also be presenting original research on *The Psychological Impacts of Wilderness*
30 *Experiences* at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association in San
31 Francisco in August.

32 33 **C. Monthly Reports**

34 **1. Executive Staff Activities Report**

35 The Board of Trustees thanked the Executive Staff for their informative
36 reports. Trustees noted all the hard work faculty and staff do every day to continue to make
37 FVCC an amazing place for students.
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39 **V. COLLEGE ISSUES**

40 **A. Student Success: Logger Sports Update**

41 Annie Beall and Team Captain, Amber Larsen (student) presented the Board with
42 an update on Logger Sports. 2017-2018 was the 47th season for the FVCC Logger Sports team at
43 FVCC. Logger Sports test the competency of participants in a variety of events, such as, ax
44 throw, burling, climbing and cross cut saws. During the year there were a total of 15 team
45 members, 11 new members and 4 returners from the previous year. The team competed in
46 several competitions this year to include; the Idaho Lumberjack Classic, FVCC Stumpjumper
47 Days, the home competition and placed second, the 79th Annual Association of Western Forestry

1 Clubs Conclave and the University of Montana’s Pro-Am Competition, placing second as a team.
2 In addition to the main competitions throughout the year, Logger Sports participates in many
3 hours of community service outside of their schooling and competing. The team participated in
4 the recent Family Forestry Expo by providing its annual grandstand show and offering various
5 educational stations as part of its commitment to community service.
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7 **B. Student Success: Honors Research Conference**

8 Christina Relyea, Director, Honors Program, updated the Board on the recent
9 Student Research Conference. The conference marks the ninth annual conference. The event
10 provides students the opportunity to present their research and projects to college faculty and
11 staff along with members of the community. This year there were 47 student presentations and
12 31 judges. Topics and projects ranged from math, chemistry, science, agriculture and literature.
13 Several of the students who participated will also present their research at the Regional Honors
14 Symposium and other conferences around the region and nation. This year also marked the first
15 year that students in the Trades and Industrial Arts programs participated in this annual event.
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17 **C. Finance and Audit Committee Report**

18 The Finance and Audit Committee met prior to the Board meeting. Trustee Akey
19 reported that Jodi Daugherty, a representative from Eide Bailey, reviewed the outcome of
20 FVCC’s recent audit with the Finance and Audit Committee. The college was presented with a
21 positive and clean audit.
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23 **D. Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2019**

24 The Board was presented with the Board meeting schedule for Fiscal Year 2019.
25 President Karas noted that should any dates need to be changed in the future adjustments can be
26 made and noticed as required. Mark Holston moved that the Board approve the Board meeting
27 schedule for Fiscal Year 2019 as presented. Kelly Stimpson seconded the motion. With no
28 further discussion, the motion carried unanimously with seven (7), “yes” votes.
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30 **E. Trustees Events Calendar**

31 President Karas reviewed the Trustees events calendar and noted that the
32 groundbreaking ceremony for the new Library and Learning commons will take place following
33 the Board meeting at 4:30 pm. The President’s Dinner will be held this evening at 5:30 pm on
34 the south lawn near the Broussard Center. The next Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for
35 May 23 and 24 in Havre. The Board will be holding a retreat on Wednesday, June 6 and the next
36 regularly scheduled Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 25.
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38 **F. President’s Update**

39 President Karas updated the Board on several items:

- 40 • President Karas reported that the college hosted a complimentary ice cream social
41 or students and community on Monday, May 14 at the site of the future Library
42 and Learning Commons. The event was a celebration of the upcoming campus
43 expansion and to celebrate the college’s students and the conclusion of the 2017-
44 18 academic year.
- 45 • President Karas recently attended the American Association of Community
46 Colleges (AACC) Annual Convention where she gave a presentation on campus
47 safety.

- The college provided an appreciation luncheon for all employees on Wednesday, May 16.
- FVCC graduated its 50th class on Friday, May 18. The ceremony was once again held on the campus lawn. FVCC recognized 368 students for completing graduation requirements. The featured speaker was FVCC alumna, Sarah Rugheimer, a graduate of Harvard University and a current Simon Origins of Life Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.
- FVCC and Crown Guitar Workshop & Festival kicked off their season with a concert on Saturday, May 19 with “Crown @ College” taking place on the south lawn. The program featured performances by local artists and proceeds from the event helped to benefit the Crown Guitar Scholarship Fund and the FVCC ONE campaign to support the new College Center.

VI. REORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A. Appoint Board Members to Positions of Board Chair, Board Vice-Chair and Secretary to the Board

Chairperson Lund called for the reorganization of the Board of Trustees and opened the meeting to nominations for Chairperson of the Board. Callie Langohr moved that the Board of Trustees appoint Shannon Lund as Chairperson of the Board. Kelly Stimpson seconded the motion. With no other nominations, the motion to appoint Shannon Lund as Chairperson of the Board of Trustees carried with six (6) “yes” votes. Trustee Shannon Lund abstained.

Chairperson Lund called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Trustees. Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees appoint Callie Langohr as Vice-Chairperson of the Board. Stephanie Wallace seconded the motion. With no other nominations, the motion to appoint Callie Langohr for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board carried with six (6) “yes” votes. Trustee Callie Langohr abstained.

Chairperson Lund called for nominations for the position of Secretary to the Board. Mark Holston moved that the Board of Trustees appoint Kelly Stimpson as Secretary to the Board. Pete Akey seconded the motion. With no other nominations, the motion to appoint Kelly Stimpson as Secretary to the Board of Trustees carried with six (6) “yes” votes. Trustee Kelly Stimpson abstained.

B. Appoint a Clerk of the District

Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees reappoint Monica Settles as Clerk of the District. Pete Akey seconded the motion. With no other appointees, the motion carried unanimously with seven (7) “yes” votes.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

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Shannon Lund, Chairperson of the Board

Kelly Stimpson, Secretary to the Board