

1 FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
3 Regular Board Meeting
4 Monday, June 27, 2022, 3:45 p.m.
5 Blake Hall 140
6

7 A regular meeting of the Flathead Valley Community College Board of Trustees convened at
8 3:48 p.m., Monday, June 27, 2022.
9

10 **I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

11 Chairperson Pete Akey called the meeting to order at 3:48 p.m. The following Board
12 members were in attendance:

13 Patrick Gulick Callie Langohr Lyle Mitchell
14 Mary Ruby Kelly Stimpson

15 Trustee Travis Steindorf was absent with prior Board approval. Also present were President Jane
16 Karas and Suzanne DeCamp, Clerk of the District.
17

18 **II. PUBLIC COMMENT - None**
19

20 **III. CONSENT ITEMS - ACTION**

21 **A.** Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting on May 23, 2022.
22

23 Trustee Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees approve ITEM A under Section III,
24 Consent Agenda - Action. Trustee Patrick Gulick seconded the motion. The motion carried
25 unanimously with six (6) "yes" votes.
26

27 **IV. MONTHLY REPORTS**

28 **A. Executive Staff Activities Report**

29 The Board acknowledged the Executive Staff for their informative reports.
30

31 **V. COLLEGE ISSUES**

32 **A. Student Success: Website Tour**

33 Allison Linville, Executive Director of Communications and Marketing, provided
34 a tour of the newly launched FVCC website. The work to create the new website began a year
35 and a half ago. The Marketing team started scheduling brainstorming meetings with faculty and
36 staff in December of 2021, a website vendor was hired in June of 2021, and the new website
37 was launched on June 6, 2022.

38 President Karas congratulated Allison and the Marketing team on the new
39 website. In addition, she thanked Duane Anderson and his IT team for their help with the
40 project.
41

42 **B. Finance and Audit Committee Report**

43 President Karas reported that the Finance and Audit Committee met prior to the
44 Board meeting for a thorough review of the preliminary FY23 budget. The Finance and Audit
45 Committee recommends approval of the first reading of the fiscal year 2023 proposed budget.

1
2 **1. Fiscal Year 2023 Proposed Budget (First Public Hearing)**

3 The budget plan for FY2023 (First Reading) was developed and submitted to the
4 Board for review and action. President Karas stated that this is the first public reading of the
5 budget and it will be presented before the Board at the July 25th meeting for a second reading.
6 Trustee Kelly Stimpson moved that the Board of Trustees approve the preliminary Fiscal Year
7 2023 Proposed budget (First Reading). Trustee Lyle Mitchell seconded the motion. With no
8 further discussion, the motion carried unanimously with six (6) “yes” votes.
9

10 **C. Board of Trustees Event Calendar**

11 President Karas reviewed the Trustees event calendar. The next Board meeting is
12 scheduled for Monday, July 25, 2022.
13

14 **D. President’s Report**

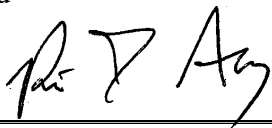
15 President Karas updated the Board on several items:

- 16 • Enrollment – The college is anticipating a 2% enrollment increase for the next
17 fiscal year, current trends are showing that it may be higher.
- 18 • Accelerate MT – The Accelerate Montana Program through the University of
19 Montana received \$6M in funding from the legislature to develop workforce
20 training across the state. FVCC is scheduled to meet with them later this week
21 and we are hopeful that we will receive funding from them to expand our CDL
22 and other programs.
- 23 • Wachholz College Center (WCC) – The WCC has had a bit of a delay, still
24 looking to open in September, but without the use of McClaren Hall which will be
25 completed a little later. Planning for a Gala opening in November.
- 26 • Great Fish Challenge – President Karas thanked the Foundation team for
27 submitting an application to be included in the Whitefish Community
28 Foundation’s Great Fish Challenge fundraising campaign.
- 29 • Early Childhood Center (ECC) – The Board did approve starting the RFP process
30 for the ECC at the May 23, 2022 meeting. However, we will need to postpone the
31 process. There are student classes that need to continue using the ECC until the
32 new rooms are available in the WCC.
- 33 • Rebecca Farm Event – The college volunteers to manage the parking for the
34 event. If you know of anyone who would be interested in volunteering for a two-
35 hour shift, there are opportunities available. President Karas thanked Tagen Vine,
36 Kent Rogers, and Luke Lavin for managing the volunteer parking effort.
37

38 **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

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

40 sd

41 

42 _____
43
44 Pete Akey, Chairperson of the Board
45

1
2
3
4



Patrick Gulick, Secretary to the Board