

The Board of Trustees of Everett Community College met on November 17, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at Everett Community College Olympus Hall Room 205.

We relocated the meeting to Everett Community College due to a power outage at the Hibulb Cultural Center.

Vice Chair Mike Deller welcomed new board member Toraya Miller.

Presidents update

President David Beyer welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Discussion ensued on the Allocation Model which is a new system for allocating state funds. It is based on a 3-year average enrollment target and a large percentage of student completions will have a bigger financial impact than in the current model. The new Allocation Model will go into effect July 1, 2016 for the 2016-2017 budget. Beginning in new fiscal year, EvCC will lose approximately \$500,000 over four years and those funds will go back to the state to be reallocated. International students can now be counted towards enrollment targets, but will only be allowed to count up to 2% of our target in future years.

Alison Stevens reported on current enrollments. As of fall term, we have exceeded our target by 4.3%. However, in some areas enrollments are down: basic skills, business, biology, and health sciences. Enrollment has increased in the areas of Communication Studies, English, Nursing, and Math; there have also been increases in the International department and Running Start. Professional Technical programs have decreased enrollment.

Report from the Board

Trustee Mike Deller reported on the Board's continued interest in being informed of incidents of campus unrest.

Trustee Betty Cobbs reported she is attending the ACT Legislative Retreat on Thursday and Friday Fall ACT conference.

Trustee Gigi Burke reported she is excited about the discussions on tuition-free community colleges.

New Trustee Toraya Miller introduced herself and thanked the group for their support of her nomination.

Roll call

Vice Chair Mike Deller called the meeting to order. Present for the meeting were trustees Gigi Burke, Betty Cobbs, Mike Deller, and Toraya Miller. Also present were President David Beyer, Recording Secretary Melissa Geraghty, Assistant Attorney General Nancy Garland, and 7 administrators.

Consent Agenda

MOTION 01-11-2015

Gigi Burke moved for approval of the consent agenda. Betty Cobbs seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approval of Nomination for Transforming Lives ACT Award

John Olson reported to the Board that one student from each Washington state community and technical college will be nominated by the local board of trustees for the ACT Transforming Lives Award. Five awards will be given statewide.

Nominations must come from the student's Board of Trustees and be based on the following criteria:

- The nominee may be either a current or former Washington community or technical college student who has completed or has made significant progress toward completing a degree or certificate.
- The nominee must have a compelling story about how he/she overcame barriers to achieve his/her higher education goals and how the education and support he/she received at a Washington community or technical college transformed his or her life (i.e., new employment, self-sufficiency, etc.).

This year's EvCC nominee is Cerise "Reese" Robinson. Reese came to the college at a point in her life where she was battling drug addiction and homelessness. She needed to complete her GED (which she did) and her associate's degree (which she did as well) in order to move on with her life. Following her time here, Reese attended the University of Washington for her bachelor's degree and the University of Southern California for her master's degree. She is currently working in Hollywood and is ten years drug free. Her nomination letter will be included in the board packet.

MOTION 02-11-2015 Toraya Miller moved that the Board of Trustees Approve the Nomination for the Transforming Lives ACT Award. Gigi Burke seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approval of Naming Committee Recommendation

John Olson reported to the Board on the recommendation from the naming committee to name the campus plaza after former EvCC employee Bill Deller. The Board of Trustees is charged with selecting the names for EvCC facilities, including the "grounds" and "common areas."

In accordance with the EvCC Policy on the Naming of Facilities (attached), John Olson formed an ad hoc committee to consider a proposal to name the common area bordered by the Henry M. Jackson Conference Center, Gray Wolf Hall, and the Gary Parks Student Union. The committee included EvCC Board of Trustee member Betty Cobbs, Vice President for College Advancement John Olson, Faculty member Brett Kuwada, Student Services Administrator Jennifer Rhodes, Propels Mentor program staff member and Student Representative Azrael Howell.

The committee recommended naming the plaza after Bill Deller. Committee members voted to forward this recommendation to the Board for approval. This proposal is made because of Bill's many accomplishments – some of which include:

1. Bill Deller worked here from 1955 to 1983 as a full-time employee, then continued for a short time after that as the Executive Director of the Everett Community College Foundation. His years of service rank him among the highest ever at the college.

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2. Bill's coaching career included stints as head coach or assistant coach in golf (1 state championship), swimming, wrestling, and track and field. He is one of the coaches included in our athletic Hall of Fame as a unanimous selection of the committee formed to select coaches, athletes, and administrators. This ranks him quite high on the list compared to other coaches we have had at the college.

3. Bill was Dean of Students during a time of remarkable social change and changes in how the college worked with students. He expanded programs in student activities, helped students navigate the societal changes in the 1960s, was a trusted adviser to groups including the Black Student Union, veterans, and Women's Programs. Upon his retirement, Women's Programs director Joan Tucker said that "so many women of this community got where they are today because of his support." There are very few people who have held the position Bill held for as long, and very few have had significant members of the community and former students alike speak as highly of them.

4. Bill worked to establish the by-laws and led the formation of the Board of Directors of the Everett Community College Foundation. This group has gone on to provide hundreds of thousands of dollars of support to students at the college. Additionally, Bill has established a fund at the Foundation with his own personal and family member contributions - these dollars go to students in the form of scholarships each year. Bill inspired his son Mike to become involved with the Foundation as well, leading to significant support over the past 25 years. Bill is a regular attendee at college fundraising events and the athletic Hall of Fame, maintaining a connection for over 50 years.

MOTION 03-11-2015 Betty Cobbs moved that the Board of Trustees Approve the Naming Committee Recommendation of the unnamed campus plaza "Bill Deller Plaza." Gigi Burke seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Mike Deller recused himself from voting.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m. Following the meeting was the Board of Trustees Annual Retreat.

Bob Bolerjack, Chair
Board of Trustees

David N. Beyer, Secretary
Board of Trustees