

BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting
Monday, January 8, 2018
6 p.m. Charlestown Campus – Room B-321

Minutes

Present: William Walczak President Pam Eddinger
David Tai-Wai Chang Provost James Canniff
Cam Do Vice President John Pitcher
R. Kelly Cameron Associate Vice President Molly Ambrose
Cathy Guild (phone) Executive Assistant George Hallsmith
James Klocke Associate Provost Clea Andreadis
Colleen Richards Powell (Phone)
Amy Young

Absent: Stephen Chan, Paul Holzer, Sanjeev Yadav

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Walczak called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. CHAIR'S REPORT

After welcoming those present, Board Chair Walczak spoke briefly about recent developments in federal legislation. In particular, he spoke about the recently passed tax reform legislation and possible impacts on higher education. There was discussion.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Open Educational Resources (OER) Study Session:

President Eddinger provided an overview of the purpose of the Open Educational Resources (OER) study session. Included in this conversation will be the consideration of a motion for Board members to be considered at the January 22nd Board of Trustees meeting.

President Eddinger introduced Associate Provost Clea Andreadis, who presented and facilitated a discussion about Open Educational Resources (OER). Associate Provost Andreadis referred to the document "BHCC Open Educational Resources (OER) Background," which was provided to Board members.

Associate Provost Andreadis' presentation included an overview of the following topics:

1. What is OER?
2. BHCC Goals for OER Work

3. Work to Date
 - a. National Landscape
 - b. Liberal Arts Degree OER Initiative
 - c. COER
 - d. TJX Grant
4. Sustainability Plan

There was discussion and opportunity for Q&A. During the discussion, topics discussed re: the use of OERs were the possible loss of revenue for the bookstore, and the possible implementation of a technology fee.

In discussing the Sustainability Plan, Associate Provost Andreadis proposed that a user funded model seems to make the most sense for the College. In this structure, students would be assessed a materials fee of \$20-25 per Z section. Associate Provost Andreadis presented rough projections for the financial impact of the fee implementation, providing the impact for a \$20 fee and a \$25 fee. There was a suggestion to provide a little more flexibility by increasing the maximum assessed fee to \$30.

Associate Provost Andreadis presented a recommended motion that the Board could consider at the January 22nd Board of Trustees meeting. That motion follows:

Motion to approve the implementation of an OER Z course fee not to exceed \$30 per enrolled student per course, beginning in the fall 2018 semester. The President will present a status report in late spring 2019, with an evaluation of the adequacy of the fee level, and an assessment of the following;

- Success of students in OER sections compared to students in non-OER sections
- Student financial impact of OER
- Evaluation of the course fee as a mechanism to support the College's OER work

There was consensus to present the above motion to the Board for consideration at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting.

Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) National Legislative Summit in Washington DC, February 11-14, 2018:

President Eddinger said that the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) National Legislative Summit in Washington DC is scheduled on February 11-14, 2018. At this time, attendees will be President Eddinger, Trustee Guild and Student Trustee Do. In the past, arrangements have been made to visit the offices of members of the Massachusetts delegation (U.S. Senators and Representatives). We will see if similar plans are being made by the Massachusetts Community Colleges Executive Office this year. The National Legislative Summit will provide an opportunity for College staff members and Trustees to advocate on behalf of higher education generally, and BHCC

specifically.

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about the status of important issues such as Pell Grants, the Higher Education Reauthorization Act, the Perkins Act, and DACA students, for example.

President Eddinger asked Board members interested in attending to contact Executive Assistant Hallsmith.

V. ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Moved by Chang; Seconded by Young.”
To adjourn the meeting.

The Motion Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.