

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

April 13, 2017

Trustees Attending: Fred Goldberg

Irene Gonzales Rhianna Hruska Keith Kessler David Nicandri Anne Proffitt Gretchen Sorensen

Staff Present: George Bridges, President

John Carmichael, Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board

Wendy Endress, Vice President for Student Affairs

John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Sandra Kaiser, Vice President for College Relations

Tina Kuckkahn-Miller, Director of the Longhouse Education and Cultural

Center

Ken Tabbutt, Interim Provost

Amanda Walker, Vice President for Advancement and Executive Director of

The Evergreen State College Foundation

Others Present: Aileen Miller, Assistant Attorney General

Sandra Yannone, Faculty Representative to the Board

Trustee Gretchen Sorensen called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in Room 3103 of the The Evergreen State College's Library Building. A quorum was present, with Trustees, Goldberg, Gonzales, Hruska, Kessler, and Sorensen attending by phone. Trustees Nicandri and Proffitt attended in person.

President Bridges thanked the Board for its diligence in considering the proposed investment in a new Fiber Arts Studio. He said that the college is at an inflection point in its history, and that the Fiber Arts Studio represents an opportunity to build for the future. He recommended that the Board approve the project.

## **Budget Update**

The President's Chief of Staff John Carmichael provided a brief overview of the House and Senate operating budget proposals for the 2017-2019 biennium. Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley provided an overview of the capital budget proposals.

## Fiber Arts Studio

Tina Kuckkahn-Miller, Director of the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center, and Amanda Walker, Vice President for Advancement, reviewed the fundraising progress and plans for the Fiber Arts Studio and for the Longhouse and Indigenous Arts Campus. Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley presented the proposed budget for the project. The Trustees discussed the history of the project, the difficult bidding environment for construction projects, and policies and procedures for managing capital construction projects supported by philanthropy.

Motion Dr. Gonzales made a motion to approve the proposed budget and construction contract for the Fiber Arts Studio project. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote

## **Public Comment**

Ms.	Sorensen	called	for	public	comment.	There	was r	ione
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The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.						
Gretchen Sorensen, Chair	David Nicandri, Secretary					