



the evergreen state college olympia, washington

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

February 21, 2018

Trustees Attending:

Fred Goldberg
Irene Gonzales
Keith Kessler
David Nicandri
Anne Proffitt
Justin Puckett

Absent: Monica Alexander

Staff Present:

George Bridges, President
John Carmichael, President's Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board
Jennifer Drake, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Wendy Endress, Vice President for Student Affairs
Sharon Goodman, Director of Residential and Dining Services
John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration
Jeanne Rynne, Associate Vice President for Facilities

Others Present:

Aileen Miller, Assistant Attorney General
Susan Musselman, PFM Financial Advisors
Thomas Toepfer, PFM Financial Advisors

Mr. Kessler called the special meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.. Mr. Kessler and Mr. Goldberg were present while Dr. Gonzales, Mr. Nicandri, Ms. Proffitt, and Mr. Puckett attended by phone. Members of the public were able to observe the meeting in the Board Room (Library 3201) of The Evergreen State College. A quorum was present.

First Year Housing

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley introduced Susan Musselman and Thomas Toepfer from PFM Financial Advisors, who reviewed financing scenarios and options for the First Year Housing Project. President Bridges recommended that the college revisit the project in a year.

Capital Budget

Associate Vice President for Facilities Jeanne Rynne recommended that the Board authorize expenditure of the recently appropriated capital budget for 2017-19.

Motion Mr. Goldberg moved to approve a 2017-19 capital spending plan of \$19,154,000 and to
2018-01 authorize spending reappropriations of \$5,464,000. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Delegation of Authority

President Bridges asked the Board to delegate authority to spend from the college's permanent emergency reserve fund.

Motion Mr. Goldberg moved to adopt Resolution 2018-01 delegating to the President or his
2018-02 designee the authority to spend up to \$1.3 million from the emergency reserve fund to pay expenses associated with events of Spring 2017, providing to the Chair of the Board an accounting of all expenditures made under this authority. The motion was seconded and passed on a roll call vote with Mr. Nicandri abstaining.

Proposal for a new graduate program

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Public Comment

Mr. Kessler called for public comment. Alexander Butler addressed the board regarding the need for the First Year Housing project. Ed Pole addressed the board regarding problems with transparency and rule-making in the operation of the college.

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Keith Kessler, Chair

Anne Proffitt, Secretary