**PRESIDENTS’ COUNCIL**

Minutes

April 20, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom

# MEMBERS PRESENT:

President Tim Cook Vice President Alissa Mahar

Vice President David Plotkin College Council Representative Cynthia Risan

CHRO Melissa Richardson ACE Co-President Kelly Wilshire

Executive Director Marketing Lori Hall FTF President Jay Leuck

Admin/Conf Co-President Amy Cannata ASG President Lanie Sticka

Recorder Denice Bailey

Guests: Jaime Clarke, Beau Gilbert

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

# Beau said there has been a lot of collaboration on the land acknowledgement language. It has gotten approval of the Conf Tribes of Grand Ronde, after a few additions. A lot of people have been asking what it looks like in practice, but they want to get the language approved first, before working on guidelines for use and best practices.

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# Lori thanked Beau for their work on this. There was discussion about where the document would “live” or how it would be accessible to the college community. Suggestions included the DEI page, the brand toolbox, or in the F drive. There was also discussion of having this on a plaque in the Wacheno Welcome Center, alongside information about Chief Wacheno.

# Presidents’ Council approved the language in the land acknowledgement.

# ASSOCIATION REPORTS

ASG – Lanie reported:

* Free food box distribution is continuing, and is now in Wilsonville as well. She hopes to offer this at Harmony soon.
* Elections are next week. Luciana is running for president, but there are no VP candidates yet.
* ASG is considering a constitutional change regarding the chair positions having to do 9 credits rather than 12. Officers would be doing 6, senators doing 3. This would lower the barrier to join ASG.
* Wellness department setting up blood drive week before finals.

ACE – Kelly reported:

She is enjoying the sunshine.

PTF – Lind did not attend.

FTF – Jay reported:

* Faculty elections are being held this term. There are discussions about incorporating DEI into the process.
* There is an association meeting on Thursday.
* He is reading the draft ARE report and finding it very informative. He encouraged everyone to read it.

Admin/Confidential – Amy reported:

* Admin/Confidential had a great Q/A session last week.
* An end of year meeting is scheduled on May 21.

College Council - Cynthia reported topics discussed at the April 16 meeting were:

* ISP reviews
* Curriculum committee annual report
* ARC annual report
* Graduation update
* Phishing presentation
* Title III grant report

President – Tim reported*:*

* He is focused on DEI right now.
* We are close to selecting the Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer. He has gotten questions and comments from people who do not believe the college needs this position, and heard that there were some biased questions during the applicant forums. We want to bring people into the conversation, not alienate them. Some of it is uncomfortable but if we want to support all students and staff here, we need to engage in this work.
* He will be putting out a message about the verdict in the George Floyd case and knows it will make some unhappy.
* He is getting his first vaccine tonight.
* He is excited about the work of the Return to Campus workgroup. Doing a mixture of Zoom and in-person instruction will be challenging.
* He has read the ARE report. Now that the pressure of reductions/eliminations is off, he hopes we can think about it being an ongoing curriculum sustainability process. We can learn some lessons from the process.
* He is excited about the Inservice around shared governance and the strategic priority work.

Lori announced that on Saturday, there is opportunity for public testimony to the District 5 Ways and Means Committee. Testimony will be heard between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. She would like to have 10 to 15 people speak on community college funding. Email her for more information or to sign up. Kelly and Tim signed up.

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