I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 2:35 PM by Chair Richter. Other Board members present included Mike Geile, Larry Wood, Carol Ruckel and Mike Freeman. College President Dr. Marsi Liddell was also in attendance.

Dr. Liddell mentioned that today was a big day for Aims. A 45th anniversary celebration was held with a parade along the new Promenade, a ribbon cutting at Winograd Lane and at Westview. Mr. Millsapps introduced his team from Facilities and Operations that worked so hard to make all of these projects go so smoothly. Team members present included Larry Bauman, Michael Hogan, Doreen Jacks, James Allen, Patrick Hendricks, Ty Bakel, Bob Krantz and Marti Lafontaine. The Board and audience recognized them with a standing ovation. Dr. Liddell also mentioned that Aims has nine new faculty members starting this semester.

II. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
There were none.

ON MOTION OF CAROL RUCKEL THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA.

III. Citizen Participation
There was no citizen participation.

IV. Consent Agenda
Minutes of the Aug. 1, 2012 District Board Meeting.
There was one correction to the minutes. On page 4 of the minutes under the discussion of Dr. Liddell’s contract, the word deferred was misspelled. The correction will be made.

ON MOTION OF LARRY WOOD THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED.

V. President’s Report – Dr. Liddell
a. Financial Update – Mike Kelly
   • Mr. Kelly reminded the Board that the auditors will be here beginning September 24 and the Board will receive a report in November.
   • A Trustee asked about differences in contracted services maintenance and contracted services other. Mr. Kelly explained that is a function of billing cycles and is expected this time of year.

b. President’s Executive Summary
   • Dr. Liddell explained that Aims has exciting things on the horizon for Fort Lupton. She introduced Jennifer Cordes, architect with Slaterpaull. Ms. Cordes introduced her team and members from Gold Triangle Construction, the general contractor for the project. The landscape architect will be Spence Nichols, who designed the Promenade
project on the Greeley campus. Ms. Cordes brought schematics and a slideshow to explain the plans for the project, which includes the new Prairie building and a remodeling of the old building that will be named the Platte building.

a) The Prairie building is planned for more than 26,000 square feet to include classrooms; agriculture, oil and gas, and welding shops; a science lab and faculty offices. The project budget is $9 million, with $7.5 million toward construction and the remainder for soft costs such as furniture and permitting.

b) Ms. Cordes said the design was inspired by the existing building, its landscaping and the new programs that will be housed on the campus. The design will encourage movement between the buildings and create and encourage use of the outdoor space.

c) Mr. Lynn with Slaterpaull presented the floor plan of the new building, the Prairie building, which will be an L-shape to the west of the current building, creating a quad outdoor space between the buildings.

d) Ms. Cordes introduced Golden Triangle Construction from Longmont. Brian Lartz, the president addressed the Board, sharing that his company has worked on several education building projects. Members of his team presented a timeline for the project. The completion date is set for the first week of August 2013. The budget is $7,470,395.

   o A Trustee asked about water sources for the project. Mr. Lartz responded that meetings with Fort Lupton have not indicated any concerns and deferred the question to Mr. Millsapps, who responded that the only issue we have is low pressure, which we already boost on-site.

   o A Trustee asked if there is a performance clause for completion date. Mr. Lartz said yes, in almost all contracts he’s signed there has been such a clause, but that in the 25 years he’s been in the business, he’s never had to pay one.

   o Dr. Liddell said that both Slaterpaull and GTC have proven track record on fast track projects.

   o A Trustee asked if the design allows for future expansion of the campus. Ms. Cordes said that the proposal includes a preliminary master plan, which allows for future quads, buildings and even a rodeo.

   o A Trustee asked if there is room to expand the welding shop. Dean Rask said that there have been discussions with the high school as it relates to the Career Academy, and both parties hope to expand the collaborative relationships.

- Dr. Liddell discussed legislation surrounding the Lobato case, which challenges the constitutionality of the State of Colorado’s funding of K-12. The lower court issued a ruling upholding the plaintiff’s claims that the funding mechanism is unconstitutional. The state has appealed and the State Supreme Court will hear the case. If the State Supreme Court upholds the lower court’s findings, Dr. Liddell said that there will likely not be any money for anything to be funded by the state except for K-12.

- Deputy Director of the Colorado Department of Higher Education Matt Gianneschi will be on campus Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. for a discussion about performance contracts. By December of this year the state is required to have a performance contract with every institution of higher education in the state. Aims will be negotiating starting in mid-September, particularly to develop the metrics. One bone of contention is the definition of completers, specifically those certificate earners in programs that are less than 30 credits. The Board will likely be asked to approve that contract in December.
• Dr. Liddell presented information from the Federal Aviation Administration regarding training in the Aims Air Traffic Controller program. Proposing to move some FAA courses to CGI schools, which Aims is one of 36.
  a. Dean Dan Doherty explained how the program works. The changes the FAA is considering would likely amount to a cost shift from the FAA to students. Dr. Doherty said it would be difficult to have the program the FAA envisions and be able to allow students to collect financial aid for post-associate training. If the FAA were to implement this plan, it would likely need to subsidize those colleges, including Aims with equipment and funding.
    o A Trustee asked what it costs students to go through the ATC program at Aims. Currently the cost is approximately $3,500 for the two year program for students who are in district.
• Dr. Liddell provided an update on the TAACCT grant program that was compiled by Bruce Beardsley. The report showed that Aims is on track or ahead of the criteria.
  o A Trustee asked if there is anywhere else in Colorado you can get a certificate or AA in Oil & Gas. Dr. Doherty explained that the TAACCT grant includes schools across the state and that each one is awarded funding to develop programs in different fields, for example Pueblo CC is developing a program in mining. Dr. Doherty said the idea is to allow students in areas across the state to take most of their requirements at the community college closest to them, then transfer to the school that has the hands-on applications to complete their degrees. The programs are also designed to have a large percentage of the courses offered online or hybrid format to increase the accessibility.
  o A Trustee asked if financial aid is available for these programs. Federal Financial Aid is not and will not be available until there are graduates in the program. There could be institutional aid made available.
• Kudos to the Aims Surgical Technology program. 100% of our students who took the Certified Surgical Technologist examination passed, and the program’s Director Mark Urso received a letter of commendation from the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting.
• Our fall enrollment is at 4,828 students with 85.8 percent of those students declaring themselves as degree-seeking. Enrollment overall is down about 1.5 percent but we still have late start classes to make up some of that deficit. Other community colleges in the state are reporting decreases of 6 or 7 percent, so we are holding our own.

VI. Information Items
a. Board Calendar
  o September 5, 45th Anniversary and Promenade/Westview ribbon cutting celebration parade, starts at 12:45 p.m.
  o September 5, Board of Trustees meeting, 2:30 p.m., Beaty Hall Theater
  o September 10, Deputy Executive Director for the Colorado Department of Higher Education Matt Gianneschi will be at Aims to discuss Performance Metrics, 10 a.m., location TBA
  o September 11, Fall-In at the Automotive and Technology Center in Windsor 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  o September 12, Aims College Night at Coors Field, discounted tickets
  o September 28, Weld Project Connect, Island Grove Park, noon to 4:30 p.m.
September 28, Human2Human: Hispanic Heritage Live! The Stories of Cesar Chavez, noon to 1:30, Beaty Hall Theater
October 5, Board of Trustee meeting, Beaty Hall Theater, 2:30 p.m.
October 12, Tim Masters will speak at Aims, details TBA

b. Administration and Staff Hires
   - Ana Maria Angel-Anderson; Instructor; Exempt-Faculty; Replacement; Division II, Nurse Aide
   - Leslie “Les” Wilkinson; Instructor, Air Traffic Control; Exempt-Faculty; New Position; Division III, Aviation
   - Christopher “Chris” McColm; Instructor, History; Exempt-Faculty; Replacement; Division III, Social Sciences
   - Denise Pearson; AAA Instructor; Exempt-Faculty; New Position; Division IV
   - Cerisa Reynolds; Anthropology; Exempt-Faculty; Replacement; Division III, Social Sciences
   - Megan Friesen; Instructor, English; Exempt, Faculty; New Position; Division I
   - Kendra Griffin; Instructor, English; Exempt, Faculty; New Position; Division I
   - Aileen Ehu; Instructor, Agriculture; Exempt-Faculty; New Position; Division I
   - Deana Lemos-Garcia; HR Generalist; Exempt-Staff; Replacement; Human Resources
   - Laurie Casey; Coordinator of Instructional Lab; Full-Time-Non-Exempt-Staff; Replacement, Division II
   - Danette Altergott; Clinical Site Coordinator; Non-Exempt-Staff; Replacement, Division II
   - Kendra Merriott; Program Coordinator I; Full-Time-Exempt, Staff; Replacement, Division II
   - Deborah Johansen; Assistant Dean, Academic Affairs; Full-Time, Exempt, Administrator; New Position, Division II

a. Administration and Staff Leaving the Employ of the College
   - Debra Martinez, Coordinator of Telecommunications, Information Technology
   - Scott Seeley, Trades Specialist, Facilities & Operations
   - Lauren Hollis, Drafter/Planning Specialist, Facilities & Operations

VII. Action Items
There were no Action Items.

VIII. Comments from Board Members
   - Trustee Geile mentioned that United Way’s Weld Project Connect will be held on Sept. 28. Part of the project includes developing a database of interviews of homeless people in Weld County.
   - Trustee Ruckel mentioned that Convocation was wonderful. She said she was honored last month to provide the program for the Fort Lupton Chamber of Commerce. It was a great PR opportunity and a very nice story appeared in the Fort Lupton Press. Additionally, Ms. Ruckel said Fall-In was great at both the Greeley campus and the Fort Lupton campus and she enjoyed volunteering at both.
   - Trustee Richter said that this is a beautiful, welcoming campus and the new landscaping with the Promenade makes it even more so. He also is glad to see the new road named for
the Winograds, who he knew to be wonderful people and huge supporters of the community, the college and education in general.

IX. Comments from Board Reps

- Dr. Liddell noted that ACEA has elected new leadership, which includes new board representatives who were in attendance. They are Sonya PauKune and Maxine Obleski. The new ACEA President is Ellen Swieter, the Co-Vice Presidents are Shelly Parsons and Steve Mills; Co-Secretaries are Karen Robinson and Steve Mills; Treasurer is Jennifer Bailey; Consultation team includes Jeff Klein, Gina Jones, Jim Crandall and Jan Stapleton.
  - Dr. Richter noted that Marsha Driskill has served as a Board representative for 17 years or so. He said she has been a great counsel to the Board, always asking insightful questions and advocating for faculty concerns. Ms. Driskill, who was in attendance, joked that she will continue to keep an eye on the Board.
  - Ms. PauKune and Ms. Obleski introduced themselves and said they are looking forward to serve as Board representatives.
- Aims Staff Association representative Michelle Brown said the group is working on a fall fundraiser. Also, the ASA Board voted unanimously to purchase one of the benches on the new Promenade that are available through the Foundation.
- ASACC President Joseph Larson introduced some of his board members including Vice President of Public Relations Peter Howler, Vice President of Student Development Laurie Gallegos, and mentioned his board members who were not in attendance, Vice President of Academic Affairs Michael Fast and Vice President of Campus Life Bruce Daugherty. Mr. Larson echoed Trustee Ruckel’s comments about Randee Morris doing a great job on all of the campuses’ Fall-In events. He also thanked all of the employees who volunteered at the event. Mr. Larson noted some upcoming programs the students are holding including a Question, Persuade, Refer Suicide Prevention program, the Student Involvement Fair and Constitution Day.
  - A Trustee asked if Aims has a problem with student suicide. Mr. Larson said that he was not aware of any incidents recently, but that the program is designed to be preventative.

X. Executive Session

ON MOTION OF MIKE GEILE THE BOARD ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:35 PM.

ON MOTION OF CAROL RUCKEL THE BOARD ADJOURNED EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 4:39 PM.

XI. Adjourn

THE BOARD TOOK NO ACTION AND ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 4:40 PM.