Executive Session, Cornerstone Room 157

I. The Aims Community College Board of Trustees may call an executive session, as allowed by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal counsel. Those invited to attend include Dr. Leah L. Bornstein and Katelyn McFee.

BOARD CHAIR CAROL RUCKEL OPENED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:01PM.

ON MOTION OF LYLE ACHZIGER, THE BOARD ADJOURNED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:13PM.

Aims District Board Meeting

I. Call to Order
   a. The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. by Board Chair Carol Ruckel. Other Board members present included Lyle Achziger, Mark Hout, Ray Peterson, and Larry Wood. College President Dr. Leah L. Bornstein was also in attendance.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
   a. Remove sabbatical presentation by Sonya PauKune
   b. Post-pone action on Aims Distinguished Fellow Award

ON MOTION OF RAY PETERSON, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

IV. Citizen Participation
   a. All parties interested in any District business involving non-agenda items may address the Board at this time. No action will be taken by the Board resulting from individuals addressing the Board during the Citizens Participation, except upon favorable majority vote of the Board.
   b. There was no citizens’ participation.

V. Consent Agenda
   a. Minutes of the March 2, 2016, District Board Meeting.

ON MOTION OF LYLE ACHZIGER, THE BOARD APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

VI. President’s Report – Dr. Leah L. Bornstein
   a. Legislative Update- Dr. Geri Anderson
      o The Long Bill has made it to the Senate and there is anticipation that they will pass the bill on Friday. The final budget will then go to the governor, who has line item veto abilities and 45 days to sign the budget.
      o HB1100, Define Tuition Status Unaccompanied Homeless Youth, Aims signature unattached homeless youth bill has made it to the governor’s desk and is awaiting his signature.
      o HB 1259, Changes to Local District College Statutes, has also made it to the governor’s desk for his signature.
- HB1307, Threats to Persons at Postsecondary Institutions, is the threats on campus bill will increase any threats of death or serious bodily harm on campus from a class 6 misdemeanor to a class one felony.
- CCHE will be reviewing the college policies to align with state statute.
- Community college partners held a conference call, which Aims participated in, for an alignment on the perspective on the federal hot topics. Dr. Anderson briefly reviewed the current federal issues concerning community colleges including the following topics:
  - Keeping college affordable and America Promise
  - Improving outcomes in degree production
  - Aligning secondary and post-secondary standards.
  - Federal Dream Act, Aims accepts and respects undocumented students and will continue to do that
  - College access and success for veterans.
  - Campus safety including sexual assault on campus and guns on campus and the implications.
  - Dual enrollment expanding to rural communities

- Administrative Services- Bob Cox, Chief Business Officer
  - Budget Update- Bob invited Michael Millsapps to discuss future projects and the addition of a third floor to the trades building. Mr. Millsapps reviewed the plan for the North Campus renovations including the difference between the two story and possibly third story addition to the trades building.
  - Bob resumed the discussion about the budget update. The current financial information is on track for this time in the budget cycle.
  - Consultation Update- Policy 4-701 needs to be removed from consideration for this year and moved to next year. Donna Norwood and Gina Jones discussed the steps being taken to ensure that faculty have the proper credentials for their field of teaching. The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) has requirements for faculty credentials and they are currently focusing on credentials for concurrent enrollment instructors. HLC has re-written the faculty credential requirements. In September of 2017 all faculty credentials will need to meet the new requirements that HLC has put in place. The faculty is involved in the process through faculty consultation. The HLC has provided guidelines, but leaves it up to the College to identify what constitutes equivalent experience to specific education.

- Academic Affairs- Donna Norwood, Provost
  - Spring Enrollment Update- There is a decrease in non-degree seeking enrollment from Spring of 2015 to 2016. The reason is due to the economy and the motivation for individuals to take classes.
  - CBOCES Update- Aims and Centennial BOCES will be changing their relationship as of June 30, 2016. CBOCES will take back the program under their management.
  - Fire Service Accreditation- the fire science program had its accreditation visit from the accrediting entity International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC). There was one criteria that did not meet the standards efficiently. The
one issue consisted of insufficient IT resources. The issue needs to be rectified by April 30, 2016.

d. Student Affairs- Dr. Patricia Matijevic, Dean, Student Services
  
  o Dr. Matijevic briefly updated the Board on Student Services. Last month over 1,000 sixth grade students were brought on to campus to learn about Aims.
  
  April is sexual assault awareness month and Student Leadership and Development has events planned for the week of April 11th to raise awareness. The Financial Aid office will be hosting a veteran’s affairs school certified officials training program for Northern Colorado Colleges and Universities.
  
  o Dr. Matijevic explained that there are very few students in the Intensive English Language program. Due to many factors the Intensive English Language Program will be discontinued. Students who need additional English language classes will be directed to additional programs throughout the state.

e. EMSI Results Report- Lee Ann Sappington, Associate Dean, Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment
  
  o Lee Ann presented about the study conducted to show the economic impact of Aims Community College. EMSI approached the study in a conservative manner and sought to answer the question “if Aims did not exist what would be the impact to the economy for the service area?”. Aims contribution to the local economy is about $541.6 million. In the report EMSI considers only students that stay in the area because Aims is here or students that come from outside of the service area because Aims is here. The return on investment for student earning is $265.5 million with a rate of return of 17.1%. Taxpayer perspective is a 7% return on investment. Some steps that Aims can take to add more value is to make sure that students are graduating with some credentials, provide workforce credits, and dual credits, increase enrollment, and attract outside funding.

f. Comments from the President
  
  o Thank you to Arty (Andrew Moore) for competing in the mascot dance off.
  
  Thank you to Dr. Geri Anderson and the lobbyist for coordinating Aims Day at the Capitol. Dr. Bornstein highlighted a few acknowledgements from her report included in the Board packet.
  
  o The fall Faculty Teaching and Learning Conference (FTLC) will be Saturday, September 24, the coordinators are in the process of bringing Dr. Terry O’Banion to the faculty teaching and learning conference.
  
  o Convocation has been moved to Friday, September 23 to elicit synergy between the FTLC conference and Convocation.
  
  o The functional realignment conversations took place within individual departments. The plan for the entire college will roll out mid-April.
  
  o Deb Kish will be the next VPAA effective July 1, 2016

g. Excellence at Aims!!!
  
  o Scholarships at Aims and Academic Works- Dr. Nancy Gray and Jessica Sosa
    
    ▪ Nancy Gray and Jessica Sosa presented about scholarships at Aims and the Academic Works Scholarship Management program. The Board approved $1,355,000 in the previous budget to be allocated to institutional scholarships. Dr. Gray reviewed the Excellence at Aims!!! report that was included in the Board packet. In addition to the funds allocated by Aims
there are also funds available from the state and a variety of external entities. The amount of Aims Foundation funding paid out to students in 14-15 was $134,668 and the payout for 15-16 was over $272,000. The Academic Works Scholarship Management program has streamlined the application, review, and selection. Paper applications are still used infrequently when there is a scholarship that has very specific criteria.

VII. Information Items
a. Sabbatical Reports
   o Rebecca Sailor presented about the results of her sabbatical in which she explored multimedia/multimodalism in the classroom. She attended conferences for teaching and learning and took graduate level courses in the area of study. Rebecca incorporated what she learned during the sabbatical into her class. It is important for instructors to develop an online presence for online classes to be more engaging. Rebecca has shared her experience through presentations at Aims and at outside conferences.

b. Meeting Date Change- Katelyn McFee, Board Liaison
   o The August Board meeting will be held on August 10.

c. Board Calendar
   o April 15, 2016, Greeley Chamber of Commerce State of the City, 11:30 a.m., Greeley Country Club
   o April 22, Fire Science Family Day, 4:00 p.m., Windsor campus
   o April 30, Aardvark Fun Run, 9:00 a.m., Physical Education and Recreation Center
   o May 4, Board of Trustees meeting, 2:30 p.m., Beaty Hall Theater
   o May 5, Art Gala/Recital, Ed Beaty Hall Gallery & Loveland
   o May 6, NSLS Induction, 7:00 p.m., Cornerstone
   o Celebration Week
     ▪ May 6, Graduate Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Ed Beaty Theater
     ▪ May 9, Centennial BOCES Reception and Graduation, 5:30 p.m., Union Colony Civic Center 701 10th Ave Greeley, 80631
     ▪ May 10, Centennial BOCES Reception and Graduation, 5:30 p.m., St. Vrain Memorial Building, 700 Long Peak Ave, Longmont, 80504
     ▪ May 10, FYE “Halfway There” Ceremony, 11:30 a.m., Ed Beaty Theater
     ▪ May 10, President’s Reception, 4:00 p.m., Cornerstone
     ▪ May 11, TRiO/CORE Ceremony, 5:30 p.m., Cornerstone
     ▪ May 12, Early Childhood Education Recognition Ceremony, 6:30 p.m., Cornerstone
     ▪ May 13, Honors Ceremony, 10:30 a.m., Cornerstone
     ▪ May 13, Nurse Pinning, 1:30 p.m., Cornerstone
     ▪ May 13, Commencement, 5:00 p.m., Budweiser Event Center
     ▪ May 14, Fire Academy Ceremony, 5:00 p.m., Windsor
     ▪ May 14, Police Academy Post Graduation Reception, 6:00 p.m., Cornerstone
   o May 16, Four-Day work week begins
   o May 30, Memorial Day Holiday, College Closed
d. New Hires
   o Patricia “Trish” Rivino, Staff Associate, Full Time, Non-Exempt, New Position, TRiO SSS STEM
   o Justin Kaufman, Trades Specialist, Full Time, Non-Exempt, Replacement Position, Facilities and Operations
   o Rachal Walsh, Staff Assistant, Full Time, Non-Exempt, Replacement Position, External Affairs & Legal Affairs/EEO

e. Leaving Employ of the College
   o Diana Laws, Program Coordinator II, Continuing Education

VIII. Action Items

a. Health, Long-Term Disability, and Dental Insurance Benefits FY 2016-2017- Bob Cox, CBO
   o Bob Cox discussed the insurance benefits brought before the Board for approval.

ON MOTION OF LARRY WOOD, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE HEALTH, LONG-TERM DISABILITY, AND DENTAL INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR FY 2016-2017 AS PRESENTED.

b. Third Floor Addition to New Trades Building- Bob Cox, CBO
   o Bob reviewed the benefits and opportunities for adding a shell third floor addition to the new trades building

ON MOTION OF LYLE ACHZIGER, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE PROPOSAL OF BUILDING A THIRD FLOOR ADDITION ON TO THE NEW TRADES BUILDING.

c. Emeritus Status for Diana Laws- Donna Norwood, Chief Academic Officer
   o Donna Norwood shared about the contributions that Diana Laws has made to the College and the community over her 21 years of employment.

ON MOTION OF LARRY WOOD, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO CONFER EMERITUS STATUS TO DIANA LAWS.

IX. Comments from Board Representatives

a. Aims Faculty Association (AFA Board Reps, Ellen Sweiter and Rebecca Sailor)
   o The faculty will be having a conference on Saturday the 18th of April. Rebecca highlighted a few points included in the faculty accomplishments reports.

b. Aims Staff Association (ASA Board Reps, Rebecca Espinoza and Anna Sanchez)
   o ASA Take a Breather information session for March was on the Business Process Review. ASA has been working on volunteering with the food bank and on trash pick-up. There are scholarships for College for Kids for staff members’ children or grandchildren.

c. Associated Students of Aims Community College (ASACC President, Tammy Ortiz)
   o Student government has collected applications for the new board. Members of PTK will be traveling to Washington, D.C. tomorrow for
the Nerd Nation. There are a variety of events that will be taking place over the week of April 11 for the Sexual Assault Awareness month.

**X. Comments from Board Members**

a. **Lyle Achziger**-Trustee Achziger commented that it is very rare to see the cost of benefits go down. It is a testament to the wellness of an organization for those costs to decrease.

b. **Carol Ruckel**- Trustee Ruckel extended her gratitude for the work that went into the Aims Day at the Capitol. She also shared that AAWCC hosts several programs throughout the year that are high quality learning opportunities.

**XI. Adjourn**

ON MOTION OF RAY PETERSON, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO END THE MEETING AT 5:11PM.