

Board of Regents Regular Meeting

February 19th, 2021 LCOOC Main Campus in LL Boardroom

AGENDA

- 1. Opening Prayer Daryl Coons Jr.
- 2. Call to order 9:08 am
- 3. Roll Call Daryl Coons Jr., Melissa Lewis, Marie Basty, Kyle Van Acker, Monica Chase
- 4. Approval of today's agenda

Daryl Coons Jr. motioned to approve today's agenda. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

5. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Melissa Lewis motioned to approve previous minutes. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

- 6. Public Comment NA
- Student Senate Report Keisha Chino
 All eight officer seats successfully filled. Senate now has two secretaries (one taking minutes, one taking note of activities). All seats all held by women.
 Senate is attending the AHEC Legislative Summit in March. Senate is meets at noon on Fridays.

Senate to pay for graduates' caps and gowns. Currently working on March Madness activities focused on health and fitness.

Student Senate Budget - \$9,000 (based on student activity fees) Stipend made available to officers for their participation this year.

Ms. Basty – funding available for potential partnership with wellness center to help with mental health and substance abuse prevention.

 Tribal Governing Board Liaison Report – Lorraine Gouge Ms. Gouge wants meeting with BOR and TGB. TGB met with Waadookodaading Board last week. TGB chairman wants more communication with LCOOC and Aki Charter School. We are all here to educate our people.



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9. Financial Overview **Business Office**

Business office working on COVID funding. First account adjustments made for students who requested relief for financial hardship due to COVID. Will provide relief for spring semester. Notice will go out in April. Balances waived: \$54,959.98

Feb 3rd was census date. Working on spring charges. They will show on next financial report.

Financial Aid

First disbursements made this week. Scholarship committee reviewing scholarship applications. Will provide disbursement update moving forward.

Grants

COVID Relief - Student Success from American Indian College fund for \$35,000. Grant period is January 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021.

New Beginning for Tribal Students - USDA-NIFA & UW System \$167,958 2-year grant period. Grant helps develop and implement collaborations amount tribal education departments, land grant colleges, k-12 school districts, and citizens to strengthen the effectiveness and use of culturally responsive Native Education Pathways from k-12 and higher education to STEM careers. Will engage Native Youth in precollege indigenous science learning experiences that use Traditional Ecological Knowledge and evidence base content and educational processes that are proven to work for Native students. Project director for this grant will be Amber Marlow.

Financials

Provided statement of activities and financial positions for January. Statement now reflecting PPP loan forgiven and is reported as revenue on financial statement.

Looking to change 90 days to 120 before saying student balances are uncollectable. Recommendation for BOR to write off part of the balances. Some students may be deceased. There is a 10-year limit for pursuing the balances at state level. Having high amount of uncollectable on the books may look bad to potential investors for potential investors for new campus.

Lydia met with other team members to discuss past balances prior to Covid. Amnesty Program like previous program a possibility.

Marie Basty motioned to accept report. Daryl Conns Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

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10. President's Report – Acting President Karen Breit

Contract for Max Field Research and Consulting Need updated contract approved. New contract will include outreach sites and include housing in feasibility study.

New contact for \$12,000.

Kyle Van Acker motioned to approve contract for Max Field Research and Consulting. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

- a. Higher Learning Commission Update HLC visit, BOR to meet with visiting team for dinner. Working on feasibility studies for masters in HUS and BUS.
- b. Strategic Plan Update

Several community conversations held. More sessions are planned for Fac/Staff and students.

Exec Council conducted SWOT analysis within their departments Still need to conduct the outreach meetings. Conversation will include feasibility plan.

BOR did enjoy the planning session.

c. Commencement May 22nd, 2021 Planning for in-person held at the Pow Wow grounds.

COVID Funding

Marc is providing weekly detailed reports to key staff on COVID funding weekly.

Mr. Montano – meeting about compliance. Lydia and Marc met with state to discuss COVID funding. Requested additional documentation regarding expenditures. We are okay. President had to attest the expenditures weren't accounted for in any previous budgets. Met with new person who took over Dept. of Education Admin who is overseeing the money – Jenna. Finished up response. Will provide to them today.

Of interest:

- Act 31 including licensing requirements related to knowledge of tribes in Wisconsin.
- \$390k to WEDA to support business for WI tribes.
- Reciprocity to tribes



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- Creating a director of native American Affairs
- UW Greenbay and Oneida to create summer camp \$459,300
- Increasing funding to TCUs
- Tribal relations pilot program \$25k
- Modify per pupil payment for students enrolled at Indian charter schools by a tribal college to be same as other schools
- Tribal gaming revenue to create program to assist certain school district to implement name, log, mascot of team name.
- Marijuana excise tax tribal refunds

Melissa Lewis motioned to accept report. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

Break 10:45 – 11:03

11. Other

 Paid Administrative Leave
 Amended policy previously submitted to BOR. Temporary policy will cover those impacted by COVID who are unable to work on-site and cannot fulfill job responsibilities working remote.

Marie Basty motioned to approve policy. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

- 12. Executive Session NA
- 13. Next Meeting March 19, 2021
- 14. Adjournment 11:07 am