



Board of Regents Regular Meeting

October 22nd, 2021

LCOOC Boardroom

Minutes

Mission Statement

The Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College mission is to provide Anishinaabe communities with post-secondary and continuing education while advancing the language, culture, and history of the Ojibwe.

1. Opening Prayer
2. Call to order
 - a) 9:05am
3. Roll Call - Jason Bisonette, Monica Chase, Kyle Van Acker, Daryl Coons Jr., Gary Gerber, Melissa Lewis arrived at 9:18, Marie Basty arrived at 10:10.
4. Reading of LCOOC Mission Statement
5. Approval of today's agenda

Motion – Monica Chase motioned to approve today's agenda. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

6. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion -Gary Gerber motioned to approve previous meeting minutes. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

7. Public Comment - NA
8. Student Senate Report – Timothy Barber, president

Next week student senate will be reviewing the student by laws and updating them to be more current. The last time they were updated was in 2016. Planning on making subcommittees such as student ambassadors, etc. Student senate would like more outreach to communities. Right now, planning on working on getting email and budget set up.

9. Tribal Governing Board Liaison Report - NA
10. Financial Overview

Continuing to work on the program viability with Lisa and taking a look



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at what our programs are looking at with a cost analysis. We are also tying this into the tuition review which we plan to have to you next month.

Ran student charges and have received \$504,987.50 in tuition revenue for the fall semester. Will have more revenue when we run charges for the B term in a few weeks.

Auditor update that they are working on getting scheduled for finishing the audit and will be in touch soon.

I have been monitoring our budgets and we are right on target for expenditures at 25% spent for the fiscal year. Have sent out budget worksheets for next year's budget already and going to be discussing next year's budget with executive council in the future.

Financial aid is in full swing and working on getting disbursements out to students. They have included their report with the documents sent to the board.

Continuing to monitor our grants and have been working on a few of our USDA-NIFAA grants that annual reports were due for. There are a few of the grants that will need a final report due December 31, 2021.

Still having issues with our trial balance. It seems that Mark from Brown, Hendrix, & Associates has come up with the same conclusion as Jeff. I will have to manually take our trial balance from June and input all the transactions for July in a spreadsheet to come up with where our trial balance accounts should be as of the end of July and send that to them to input those numbers to fix our trial balance.

Motion – Gary Gerber motioned to approve the financial report. Melissa Lewis second motion. Motion carried.

- a. COVID Financial Report
 - a. Will be seeing the expense for the software purchase with Ellucian next month and will see a decrease.

Motion - Melissa Lewis motioned to approve the COVID financial report. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

11. President's Report

HEAB is meeting to discuss the formula change and talking about the funding that the tribal colleges receive. Dr. Hutchison did say that they are asking for



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an increase from 32% to 33%. There was \$142,000 that was left over in funds last year and asked what happens to the funds that aren't spent. We have not received a response yet on what happens to those funds.

Will not be pursuing the low-income housing at this time and put out a bid and only received one response. Invited impact seven to submit a bid and we reviewed their report. We would have had to do a proposal by December. There is a lot of preparation that needs to happen before we apply for tax credits. It felt very rushed and I wanted to talk more about how we want to do student housing. We will take a look at possibly applying next year.

Application for Bachelor's in Education will be going out next week to HLC hopefully. When we previously turned in the application, we found out that it was filled out on the wrong forms and two major areas were not complete. We were told we would need to resubmit and our consultant is helping us get that done.

Motion – Gary Gerber motioned to approve the President's report. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

12. Other

- a. Title IX policy – Table to next meeting
- b. Procurement - Gaumard Scientific Company Inc.

Motion – Kyle Van Acker motioned to approve the Gaumard Scientific Company for \$222,578.05. Monica Chase seconded motion. Motion carried.

- c. Outreach site expansion

We are planning to have outreach sites at Mole Lake and Forest County Potawatomi. Forest County Potawatomi working with their higher ed department and they are interested in having an outreach site there. It sounds like we are on a good track to start getting things set up over there. We have visited with Mole Lake's tribal council and higher ed department and they want us to have a permanent space there. We are sending a team in the next few weeks to set up technology and get our space ready.

- d. Debrief board to board

Will help our St. Croix outreach site students finish out their education with the college if we don't continue our site there. We may offer vans to help transport people if need be. Discussed having someone from the TGB in discussions when we talk about the master facility plan. The tribe would like to have the college communicate to them if there are things that they need.



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Break – 11:02 – 11:16

Motion – Daryl Coons Jr. motioned to go into executive session at 11:17. Melissa Lewis seconded motion. Motion carried.

13. Executive Session

- a. St. Croix Outreach Site
- b. Succession Plan

Motion – Gary Gerber motioned to come out of executive session 1:28. Daryl seconded motion. Motion carried.

Motion – Gary Gerber motioned for the president to pursue feasibility study for western Wisconsin region for outreach site. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

Melissa Lewis left at 1:38

Break 1:30 - 1:40

14. Next Meeting – November 12, 2021

15. Adjournment

Motion – Monica Chase motioned to adjourn at 1:44. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion Carried.