Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College

13466 W. Trepania Road, Hayward, WI 54843



Board of Regents Regular Meeting

December 17,2021
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 9:21am
- 3. Roll Call Monica Chase, Gary Gerber, Melissa Lewis, Daryl Coons Jr., Kyle Van Acker, Marie Basty. Absent Jason Bisonette
- 4. Reading of LCOOC Mission Statement
- 5. Approval of today's agenda

Motion – Melissa Lewis 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. Melissa Lewis seconded motion. Motion carried.

- 7. Public Comment N/A
- 8. Student Senate Report Tim Barber

Student senate has been working on the bylaws, broken up into subcommittees. Sent out donations to the head starts to each of the outreach sites for Christmas. Did a survey out to students about engagement with students, if they have any barriers while going to school, asking about student's mental health, and if there is anything else that the senate can help students with. They are still getting back responses from students.

Possibly looking into having an area where kids can go while their parents are in class, seeing if that might be something we can do in the future.

9. Tribal Governing Board Liaison Report

Trying to catch up with everything, there has been a lot going on with the tribe. Have a lot of projects going on and trying to keep updated

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with what is going on with the college. No report at this time.

10. Financial Overview

Spoke with our auditors to get an update with where we are at with our audit. We were able to get a draft of our financials to look over. They said they will be getting us a list of things that are still needed and hopefully wrapping up the audit here soon. Did hear from them today to ask what the end of the month is looking like to try to get things going.

Have had discovery sessions with Ellucian about the GL and student accounts receivable. Things have been going good so far and just going through what we currently do and what could be improved.

Working on the draft budget for FY22-23 and will be working regularly with executive council on our draft budget.

Financial aid is wrapping up their disbursements for the semester and just going through to make sure they get everything out. They are working on getting information out to students for the spring semester and assisting students with getting their aid done for the next semester.

We met with Brett Gerber a few weeks ago and went over what we would like our reporting to look like in the future and being able to provide some benchmarks and goals to work towards.

- a. COVID Financial Report
- b. Charter schools

Motion - Gary Gerber motioned to approve the financial overview. Daryl seconded motion. Motion carried.

Break - 10:33 - 10:50

11. President's Report

Motion – Melissa Lewis motioned to approve procurement for ceiling repair with Woodstone for \$134,300. Kyle Van Acker seconded motion. Motion carried.

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Motion – Gary Gerber motioned to approve procurement for siding project with Woodstone for \$1,514,148. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.

12. Other

- a. Campus Expansion Update
- b. Title IX Policy

Motion – Gary Gerber motioned to approve the Title IX Policy. Melissa Lewis seconded motion. Motion carried.

c. Fundraising Advisory Board Update (Introduction of Consultant Ms. Jean Bateman)

Jean Bateman has worked with the American Indian College Fund. She has experience helping other colleges raise funds for their college's expansions. Specialized in capital campaign fundraising. Campaign Advancement is the first step and helps identify potential partners. Jean will hopefully be on campus at the February board meeting. Campaign advancement is currently underway. Defining campaign scope, investing in immediate campus improvements, and exploring the potential for leadership and funding. We have short term goals and long-term goals from our master plan. Right now, we are in the defining scope phase, looking at it from a donor's perspective. Starting to work on creating a list of 50-60 potential leaders and donors.

Would like to have an additional discussion on renewable energies and have a plan for when the time comes for the expansion.

a. Colleague implementation update

Different departments are doing discovery meetings and are trying to get the prep work done. Might have a new registrar next April or May.

Motion - Gary Gerber motioned to go into executive session at 12:17pm. Daryl Coons seconded motion. Motion carried.

13. Executive Session

a. Personnel Issues

Motion – Monica concluded executive session at 12:43pm.

- 14. Next Meeting January 21, 2021
- 15. Adjournment

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Motioned to adjourn at 12:47pm.