

WVCC Board Minutes

January 10, 2017 3:10 pm

Present: Dick, Dennis, Recca, Marian (Charlyn could not join the meeting until 5:20 pm)

Guest: Katie Kendall (4:00 pm)

The meeting was chaired by Dick. A printed agenda was available, but had additions in both Old and New Business items. The 12/12/2016 minutes were approved as presented. Marian shared end of year statements that led to general discussion about the financial state of the campus. She noted that another \$46,000 was not reflected in the balance at the end of the year that would show even better financial health. Spending and expenses increased in 2016 over 2015 as investment in expanding the number of useable rooms and general infrastructure costs were assumed. Dick reported that significant costs with the city of Willamina can be expected with pursuit of zoning changes for the property. Some reimbursement money was received from board members for registration fees for the upcoming conference in Corvallis.

As usual, the agenda items were addressed in a somewhat varied ordering, as well as having additional items added to the list.

Old Business:

The annual Stewardship Conference in Corvallis is coming up on Saturday, January 21, with some level of carpooling planned.

Marian and Dick reported on making a successful effort on bundling WVCC liability and fire insurance policies with Amtrust North America in Salem. The premium is \$10,000 a year, with 40% as an initial expense and the remainder in quarterly payments. The level of coverage is higher than before, and reportedly without all the exclusions that were present in the former policy.

Planning for eclipse-related activities in August is still in the idea stage. There are some questions on what is possible under city authority.

Future use of the Art Room by multiple parties or interest groups is still undefined. No word has yet been received from the Art Conspiracy board since their last meeting to fully assess what their needs might be, but a high level of cooperation is expected.

(Katie): A general update on the March 4 music event at the campus included word that some tickets are already sold. Food, camping, music and kid's room ideas were revisited. There may be a possibility for getting a Tribal Community Fund grant to support the music expense. This will continue as an agenda item as the date draws closer.

Furnace and gas line installation is somewhat on hold; no word has come back from Hampton on whether their employees are able to do much of the gas line work. The work is largely sequential, so progress is going to be slow at best. Dick reported that he is still doing some prep work anyway.

Marian reported having to do a last minute date change in the campus newsletter; Yoga instruction has shifted their time. Hard copies were already printed, so board members had the opportunity to go home

with the earlier version. Marian was thanked by the board for her excellent work.

The online forum for Innovate Willamina (Slack) is largely a chat room, and Marian will make an effort to keep the board informed of any developments that might impact WVCC.

New Business:

An upright piano is being offered to WVCC, and the consensus of the board was to accept it as a replacement for the old upright presently in the band room. This will be addressed in a future meeting as it develops.

First Federal Customer Ballots have now been mailed out for non-profits to be voted upon for receiving donations. WVCC is listed as a choice, but must receive at least 10 votes to qualify for funds from the available pool. The ballots need to be returned by February 28 for them to be counted.

The redraft of the Conflict of Interest policy prepared by Marian will be an agenda item at the next board meeting. Dennis returned a copy to Marian with editorial observations that might be considered.

Dick will resolve the issue with a renter of the Vo-Ag building; the board agreed to support whatever action needs to be taken by Dick to keep the property in compliance with city codes.

The next campus work day is rescheduled to January 28 because of the conflict with the Stewardship Conference in Corvallis on Saturday, January 21. Dick has circulated an extensive list of projects needing to be done at the campus; there is no shortage of work to choose from.

Charlyn arrived in time to join in discussion of the expected approach and difficulties with meeting with Willamina officials about securing a zone change for the campus. A possibility exists that an overlay may be applied to the property that will work within the existing Public Use zone. The board is not confident that idea will hold up, but meeting with the city planner has to be scheduled soon. Different fees were discussed by the board, not knowing for certain which may apply and in what order. A board consensus was arrived at determining the broad range of uses that might be desired for the property; getting every potential use or activity identified in advance is the preferred approach. Updates on this process will appear as an agenda item as appropriate.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm. The next board meeting is scheduled for January 24. No mention was made of starting time.

Dennis Werth
Secretary