

**RANGELY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Regular Session
Johnson Banquet Room
Monday, November 14, 2016
12 noon

PRESENT

Board of Trustees: Teri Wilczek, Ann Brady, Ken Parsons, Peggy Rector (on the phone)

Board Members Absent: Sam Tolley

President's Cabinet Members: Ron Granger

Others Present: Peter Brixius, Rangely Town Manager; Adam Hughes, COO Better City; Kelby Bosshardt, Manager Economic Development—Better City; Scott Rust, Controller; Linda Gordon, RJCD Budget Officer; and Becky Dubbert, Recorder

1.0 Call Meeting to Order:

Regular Session was called to order by Teri Wilczek at 12:13 p.m.

1.1 Changes to the Agenda

Teri Wilczek asked to move a. Valerian Salemu Scholarship decision under Old Business to 4.0 CNCC College Report with Ron Granger.

2.0 Consideration of Previous Minutes

Approval of the Monday, October 10, 2016 RJCD Regular Board Meeting Minutes. It was suggested the approval of the minutes be tabled until the December meeting. Members not present at the October meeting cannot approve October minutes. Sam Tolley was absent so a quorum that attended the October meeting would not be available until December.

3.0 Action/Discussion Items

3.1 Old Business

b. CCITF Grant Award

Linda Gordon reported that for the CCITF grant, the county commissioners gave notice that although the grant request was for \$27,000 they only awarded \$10,000 to the college. Gordon stated that Ron Granger may be able to do the upgrade to the McLaughlin stairs at a better cost by using in-house maintenance.

3.2 New Business

a. Better City Discussion

Peter Brixius stated that he and Adam Hughes, COO Better City; Kelby Bosshardt, Manager Economic Development—Better City asked to be on the RJCD agenda to review the Better City project. They wanted to review the opportunities and possible economic development for the town of Rangely and the college. Adam Hughes pointed out that they had done a study on the possibility of airline pilot training and the need for airline mechanics. Kelby Bosshardt talked about meeting with key stakeholders, who agreed that the college should bring in more pilots since there was such a need nationwide for pilots because of retirements.

Ron Granger reported that he had talked with Peter Brixius and explained that CNCC owned their planes there was limitations on hiring pilots. He explained that the State of Colorado Rural Jump Start program involved rural companies, county, city and state that would give tax breaks to bring in economic growth. Granger continued by stating that revenue for the college comes from state, tuition and local taxes. He said that tuition was the only thing you get to increase. You would need to bring in a company that would be a feasible partner to offer tax breaks. Sales tax could be avoided and there would be income tax breaks for employees etc. A five-year program could be

created if they bring people into the area. It would add to the tax base. If you brought in aviation there could be breaks on business personal property where you would give counties and local entities to the ability to decide on it. He said that Lockheed Martin had approached the college, but is now is located in Vernal. Granger stated that CNCC could possibly help Lockheed with aviation maintenance.

Ann Brady stated that RJCD Board is all for economic development, but that the Better City plan has to fall under what CNCC can do. Peter Brixius stated that Rangely economic development was their top priority. He expressed he concern that the local grocery store was closing in a couple of months—he just wanted the RJCD Board have a voice at the Better City meetings. They needed to be involved to make the needed economic development happen. There needed to be a CNCC voice included in the plan.

A motion was made by Ann Brady and seconded by Ken Parsons that the RJCD Board of Trustees approves the appointment of Ron Granger to be the voice for RJCD and the college at Better City meetings. Brady emphasized that they needed to see a financial path forward and to see how willing the state is going to be. Peggy Rector added that she was all for Ron Granger being their voice at Better City meetings. Motion carried.

Ron Granger reported that Aviation program director, David Boles and the director of aviation maintenance tech, Ray Gregg have looked to see how many staff they could add to Aviation and how much it would cost and would need to have the RJCD Board's blessing.

Peggy Rector stated she would like to continue with discussion regarding the motion just approved. She suggested that a work session was needed to help the community and RJCD's decisions with Better City. It was decided that this issue would be tabled as a discussion item for next month's meeting

b. Resolution 2016-05 Set Mil Levy—Linda Gordon reported that she had put forth this resolution to approve the mil levies at 5 mils for the Operating fund and 1.6 mils for the Capital/Maintenance Fund. A motion was made by Peggy Rector and seconded by Ken Parsons that the RJCD Board approve the mil levies as reported by Linda Gordon. Motion carried.

4.0 CNCC President's Report

- Ron Granger reported that Roger Ficken was back as the facilities director.
- Scott Rust has moved into the interim VP of Business position and that it would be advertised as a new position in the spring.
- Jeff Devere's position has changed as he continues as the CNCC CIO but his other duties have been re-distributed.
- Bhrent Shock, CNCC safe campus coordinator was now reporting to Ron Granger.
- Chris Vergnaud was the current interim athletic director and reported to Ron Granger.
- Granger reported that Governor Hickenlooper was not cutting higher education, but he would know more about this in a month.
- Granger reported that Scott Rust was researching the status of the CNCC budget and would have answers to problems soon.
- Kelly Scott has now become the Institutional Research (IR) person for accreditation and she will be attending to the HLC conference later this year.
- 3.1 Old Business
 - a. Valerian Salemu Scholarship decision—Ron Granger reported that after further research on the scholarship decision for Valerian Salemu. It appeared that his grades were similar to last semester. The scholarship committee needs to reconsider the scholarship proposal.

5.0 Payment of RJCD Bills

Linda Gordon presented the following checks for payment—one to CNCC \$141,264.41 for September 2016 operating and tuition bill, one to CNCC \$49,051.20 for September 2016 Capital Maintenance and one to Linda Gordon for \$1,600 October 2016 contract and one to Linda Gordon to reimburse for Board Lunch for \$79.88 and one to Mountain West for Board insurance for 2017 for \$1,175.00. Linda added \$250.00 for special district and \$3,600 to pay for Audit. A motion was made by Ann Brady and seconded by Peggy Rector that the Board approve the payment of the bills as presented by Linda Gordon. Motion carried.

7.0 Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:15 p.m. Motion carried.