

Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes
3:00 p.m.

Nampa Campus Administrative Building
President's Conference Room
6056 Birch Lane, Nampa, Idaho
February 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

Chair Mary Niland called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m., and verified that a quorum of the Board was present at the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

TRUSTEES: Chair Mary Niland – Chair
Guy Hurlbutt – Vice Chair
Stanley Bastian –Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Dunham
Emily Walton -- (joined via phone)

Also present:

Bert Glandon, President
Jayme Rhodes, Executive Assistant

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

REVIEW OF THE LEGISLATION BILL RS24521C1:

(M/S) STAN BASTIAN/MARY NILAND MOVED TO SUPPORT THE DRAFT BILL RS24521C1. MOTION IS CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING OFFICAL STATEMENTS BEING ENTERED INTO RECORD:

Trustee Hurlbutt

Summary of comments by Guy Hurlbutt
Prior to voting on revised community college zoning bill before the CWI Board of Trustees
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Although Trustee Hurlbutt will vote "yes" in support of the revised zoning bill (formerly HB 387), he does so with the following substantive reservations:

1. Although this bill is a substantial improvement over HB 387, it will likely encourage regional disputes within a community college district over time.
2. The proposed legislation is not in keeping with the existing law which encourages orderly development of community college districts within their respective service areas. CWI, for example, is in Area 3, consisting of 8 counties and a portion of Elmore County.
3. It places additional, substantial obstacles in the way of territories or counties seeking to join an existing community college district, including the requirement that a complete re-zoning on the entire district must occur each time a territory or county joins an existing district.
4. The language in the bill will likely result in one or more incumbent Trustees serving in the three community college districts from seeking re-election if their terms expire in 2016.

Despite these objections, Trustee Hurlbutt will vote to support the revised zoning bill because, having concluded that it will likely pass both the House and the Senate, he chose to work with the sponsors of HB 387 to correct legal and other defects in the first version. Having participated in these good faith negotiations, he feels it would be improper to not support the amended version.

Trustee Dunham:

Summary of comments by Mark Dunham

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Trustee Dunham appreciates that the legislators were willing to work with CWI and this bill is the best that we can do. He appreciates Senator Rice and Senator Brackett specifically and he appreciates their efforts as well. He is in support of this bill for several reasons, first we need to move on. For years this debate has been very divisive and my goal as a board member in July of 2007 was to help students and support economic development. Trustee Dunham believes that has always been his goal and this legislation has taken away a lot of resources. He would just like it to be over for the good of the college. He is very hopeful that all the voters in Canyon and Ada Counties will support a bond because that is his overarching goal.

Trustee Bastian:

Summary of comments by Stan Bastian

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Philosophically Trustee Bastian feels that people need to feel they are represented and it has been the tradition within public school zones, counties and other units of government that zones be created for people to feel that they have an advocate and a person that identifies with their particular area.

We can go all the way back to the approval of the Constitution of the United States and whether it should have been approved with a Senator for each state and representatives within districts of each state. In James Madison's article #10, he indicated that people would have particular interests for the specific area they reside in and they would promote and defend particular legislation or policies that would favor them. However, they would come into opposition against those that had different ideas.

Over time the best ideas would rise to the top and individual issues would fall away.

In a similar manner, CWI zones will enable trustees to promote particular interests that benefit their zones but these ideas may come into conflict with the ideas of other trustees and the best ideas will end up being approved. I think we will get Trustees that feel they have a vested interest in their particular zones and will also want to do the best they can for the college as a whole. I believe patrons will be less apt to say they are paying taxes and not being represented. Today there is public concern that, within the CWI district and other community college districts, there are areas that are not being represented. It is my hope that, with the passage of this legislation, the public will feel they are represented. It is for these reasons I am in favor of the legislation.

Trustee Walton:

Summary of comments by Emily Walton

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Trustee Walton will be supporting our resolution with regret, due to the fact that Trustee Dunham will be unable to run again. He has served faithfully and it is a shame that he will be unable to run again. She would like the community to be united behind the college and students because we have to grow and if we do not support this resolution we will be unable to provide what the students need.

Chair Niland:

Summary of comments by Mary Niland

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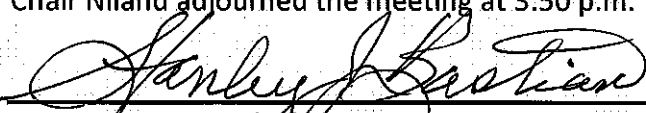
The worst part of this bill is that we will lose Mark Dunham and no one has been more instrumental and more important to the college than Mark. This is a huge loss for the college.

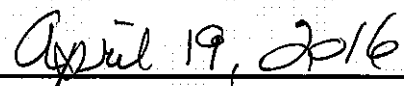
THE VOTE TO DO SO BY ROLL CALL:

- Mary Niland aye
- Guy Hurlbutt aye
- Mark Dunham aye
- Stan Bastian aye
- Emily Walton aye

(M/S) HURLBUTT/ DUNHAM MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Niland adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.


Stan Bastian, Board of Trustees Secretary


Date Signed

