

**SJC BOARD  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
September 7, 2021**

The Work Session was called to order at 5:07 p.m. with the following members present:

Joseph Rasor, Chairman  
R. Shane Chance, Secretary  
Evelyn Benny, Member  
Byron Manning, Member

Staff Members Attending:

Dr. Toni Pendergrass, Edward DesPlas, Boomer Appleman, Kerri Langoni, Josh Bishop, Debbie Chalmers, Alicia Corbell, Sherri Cummins, Katherine Elliott, Sandy Gilpin, Lucy Haber, Kenny Hibner, Ron Jernigan, Ruben Johnson, Kris Kraly, Karen Krob, Roy Lytle, Robert Martinez, Steve Miller, Michael Ottinger, Jeff Parkes, Sherry Paxson, Elizabeth Phelps, Eddy Rawlinson, Lorenzo Reyes, Chris Rosen, Linda Schwinghammer, Lisa Snyder, Paulette Stanley, Carrie Tsosie-Jim, Jeanne Winchell, and Donna Ellis, Board Recorder

Topics Discussed Included:

**1. Questions on Board Agenda Items**

None.

**2. Western New Mexico University MOU**

Dr. Pendergrass announced that she and Dr. Joseph Shepard from Western New Mexico University (WNMU) signed an MOU designed to encourage completion of the associate's degree and support transition and completion of the bachelor's degree by agreement to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between SJC and WNMU.

**3. July 31, 2021 Operating Budget Report**

The Trustees reviewed the July 31, 2021 Operating Budget Report. The College is one month into the 2021 fiscal year and all is well.

**4. Redistricting**

Every ten years following the receipt of census data, the College is compelled to examine the lines of its seven voting districts; usually such a review requires the district lines to be redrawn. San Juan College has seven voting districts within San Juan County. Trustees were advised that the College must undergo redistricting before the general election in November 2022. This will not affect the November 2021 general election in which two Board seats are up for vote.

**5. Research and Public Service Projects (RPSPs)**

The Trustees were briefed on the College's pending request under the State's Fiscal Year 2023 Research & Public Service Projects (RPSP) funding process. For the next fiscal year, our requests are for: 1) Nursing—\$250,000; 2) Dental Hygiene—\$175,000; and 3) Center of Excellence for Alternative Energy and Sustainability—\$1,000,000.

**6. HEERF – CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP**

Current plans for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) tranche for Institutional and Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) grants within the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) were discussed with the Trustees.

**7. Strategic Planning with CampusWorks**

Our CampusWorks Strategic Planning Team briefed the Trustees on and launched the College's next five-year strategic planning process.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.