

STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Study Session: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 // 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Business Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2023 // 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

State Board Office: 1300 Quince St. SE., Olympia, WA 98403

Board members

Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney, chair // Crystal Donner, vice chair // Jay Reich // Carol Landa-McVicker
Ben Bagherpour // Fred Whang // Chelsea Mason-Placek // Martin Valadez // Mack Hogans

Paul Francis, executive director // Julie Walter, executive assistant

Statutory Authority: Laws of 1991, Chapter 28B.50 Revised Code of Washington

Welcome

Chair Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed those present.

Establish a Quorum and Adoption of Agenda

Chair Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney noted that a quorum was present and requested a motion to adopt the agenda.

Motion: Moved by Crystal Donner, seconded by Martin Valadez, and unanimously approved by the Board the adoption of the February 2, 2023, regular meeting agenda.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Lake Washington Institute of Technology: Bachelor of Applied Science in Applied Art – Illustration
Resolution 23-02-01
- b. Seattle Central College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Teacher Education
Resolution 23-02-02
- c. South Puget Sound Community College: lease and tenant improvements
Resolution 23-02-03
- d. Central College: local capital expenditure increase
Resolution 23-02-04
- e. December 8, 2022, State Board Meeting Minutes

Motion: Moved by Carol Landa-McVicker, seconded by Jay Reich, and unanimously approved by the Board the adoption of the February 2, 2023, consent agenda.

2023 Legislative Session Update

The Board was updated on the 2023 legislative agenda and priorities, discussed high priority bills, and received an advocacy update.

Long-term Advocacy Task Force Update

Established by the State Board in 2017, the Long-Term Strategic Advocacy and Communications Task Force works to strengthen and expand our system's advocacy network so more people and organizations actively promote funding for, and support of, community and technical college students and the colleges that serve them.

Chelsea Mason-Placek, Task Force Chair, provided an overview of the December 14, 2022, meeting.

Bachelor Degree Quarterly Update and Statements of Need Presentation

The community and technical college system has been offering bachelor of applied science degrees for over fifteen years. To date, the State Board has approved over 140 applied bachelor degree programs at 33 colleges, including Bachelor of Science in Computer Science degree programs at nine colleges. In the 2021-22 academic year, there were 4,791 FTES in baccalaureate-level courses representing 4.8% of state support FTES in the college system. This represents a small baccalaureate FTE decrease over the previous year (-160 FTES).

Statements of Need were presented on:

- a. Clark College: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- b. Clover Park Technical College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Environmental Sciences
- c. Olympic College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Healthcare
- d. Peninsula College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Healthcare
- e. Spokane Community College: Bachelor of Applied Science in DevOps Engineering
- f. South Puget Sound Community College and Grays Harbor College: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- g. Skagit Valley College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education

ACT Report

Pat Shuman, ACT president, presented on the topics:

- ACT Winter Conference and Transforming Lives Awards Dinner: January 23-24, 2023, Olympia, WA
- ACCT National Legislative Summit: February 5-8, 2023, Washington D.C.
- ACT Spring Conference: May 15-16, 2023, Walla Walla, WA

WACTC Report

Chris Bailey, WACTC president, reported on the work being done to support new presidents.

Labor Report

- Jacqui Cain, American Federation of Teachers (AFT), provided an update on AFT's legislative efforts.
- Sue Nightingale, Washington Education Association (WEA), provided an update on WEA's legislative efforts and thanked Chair Gutiérrez Kenney for participating in the January 26 Higher Education Lobby Day.

Executive Director Report

Paul Francis, executive director, reported on the following:

- State Board Office staffing updates
- Presidential searches update
- Results Washington
 - Feb. 22, 2023: Disparities in high school graduation rates and student success
 - March 22, 2023: Improving the availability of a skilled workforce
- Government-to-Government Summits
 - Nov. 14, 2022: Big Bend Community College
 - Jan. 17, 2023: Peninsula College
 - Feb. 16, 2023: Shoreline Community College
 - April 26, 2023: Grays Harbor College

Public Comment

- Jacqui Cain, American Federation of Teachers, Pierce College
- Natalie Simmons, American Federation of Teachers

Board Discussion and Chair's Report

- Chair Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney thanked the Board members for their time and State Board staff for their presentations.

Adjournment/next meeting

There being no further business, the State Board adjourned its February 2, 2023, regular meeting at 12:10 p.m. The next meeting will be March 29-30, 2023, via Zoom.

Attest



Paul Francis, secretary



Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney, chair