

STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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

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

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

Study Session: Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2023 // 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Regular Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 19, 2023 // 9 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

South Seattle College Georgetown Campus: 6737 Corson Avenue South, Seattle, WA

State Board Members Present: Ben Bagherpour, Crystal Donner, Phyllis Gutiérrez Kenney, Chelsea Mason-Placek, Jay Reich, Kady Titus, Martin Valadez, Fred Whang

State Board Members Absent: Mack Hogans

The State Board held a study session on Oct. 18 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The board was provided a campus tour and demonstrations on apprenticeship programs, discussed the 2023 and 2024 ACCT Leadership Congresses, and received the bachelor's degree quarterly update including degree statements of need from:

- Bellevue College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Radiation Therapy
- Green River College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Accounting
- Walla Walla Community College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Teacher Education

Welcome

Chair Mason-Placek called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. and welcomed those present.

Establish a Quorum and Adoption of Agenda

Chair Mason-Placek noted that a quorum was present and requested a motion to adopt the agenda.

Motion: Moved by Board Member Reich, seconded by Board Member Whang and unanimously approved by the board, the adoption of the Oct. 19, 2023 regular meeting agenda.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Olympic College: Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Healthcare
Resolution 23-10-31
- b. South Puget Sound Community College: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
Resolution 23-10-32
- c. Grays Harbor College: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
Resolution 23-10-33
- d. Spokane Community College: Bachelor of Applied Science in DevOps Engineering
Resolution 23-10-34

- e. Bellevue College: Local Capital Expenditure Authority for C-building Student Activities Areas and Restroom Renovations
Resolution 23-10-35
- f. Bellevue College: Local Capital Expenditure Authority for Greenhouse (UFIA06673) Demolition and New Construction of Greenhouses and Learning Center Space
Resolution 23-10-36
- g. Lake Washington Institute of Technology: Redmond Campus Easements to Private Developer
Resolution 23-10-37
- h. Lake Washington Institute of Technology: Local Expenditure Authority for Early Learning Center Construction
Resolution 23-10-38
- i. Olympic College: Local Capital Expenditure Authority for Poulsbo Campus Allied Health Program Renovations
Resolution 23-10-39
- j. Pierce College: Increase Local Capital Expenditure Authority for Olympic South Building Asbestos Abatement and Program Renovations
Resolution 23-10-40
- k. South Puget Sound Community College: Local Capital Expenditure Authority for Building 27 Student Services Renovation
Resolution 23-10-41
- l. June 29, 2023, State Board Meeting Minutes
- m. Aug. 30, 2023, State Board Special Meeting Minutes

Motion: Moved by Board Member Reich, seconded by Board Member Whang and unanimously approved by the board, the adoption of the Oct. 19, 2023 consent agenda.

Public Comments

- Jacqui Cain, vice-president, contingent faculty, AFT-WA

State Board Bylaws (Resolution 23-10-41)

Chair Mason-Placek proposed forming a Bylaws Review Committee to review the current bylaws, which were last updated in September 2013, to ensure they reflect the best way for the board to govern as it sets the strategic direction for the community and technical college system.

Motion: Moved by Board Member Reich, seconded by Board Member Fred Whang and unanimously approved by the board, the adoption of Resolution 23-10-41 establishing the Bylaws Review Committee.

2024 Legislative Agenda and Priorities Preview

The primary focus entering the 2024 legislative session is the system’s supplemental operating and capital budget requests.

The 2024 operating budget request will help Washingtonians in local communities find opportunities in computer science bachelor’s degree education and provide students in professional-technical programs cost savings by expanding Washington’s award-winning open-source library.

The 2024 supplemental capital request seeks to begin the important work of equipping our community and technical college infrastructure with needed monitoring to meet state energy performance standards and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The projects will create healthy and safe facilities where people of all ages and backgrounds can learn skills for a tight and changing job market.

Arlen Harris, legislative director, introduced Sam Herriot, government relations liaison. Arlen and Sam provided a review of the supplemental budget requests approved by the Board in August and briefly discussed other possible issues facing the 2024 legislative session.

2020-30 Strategic Action Plan Implementation: Accountability

The Strategic Action Plan Task Force briefly reviewed the three focus areas of the Strategic Action Plan and presented its recommendations for going forward and provided some concluding thoughts.

Recommendations going forward:

- The Strategic Action Plan will be a component of every State Board meeting agenda as it is fundamental to your work and the success of our entire system and state.
- Data availability and analysis — either preliminary or final — will drive the sequencing for updates at each board meeting.
- Staff will provide updated data in advance of each meeting in the meeting packet in an easily understandable format. To the greatest extent possible, staff will work to fully analyze and identify implications of disaggregated data, including by race and ethnicity.
- Upon agreement by the State Board chair, each meeting will focus on one or two forward-learning strategies related to the metrics. The preference is to discuss strategies that are new to the 2023 updated plan.
- To the greatest extent possible, topics would be based upon known dates of data availability schedules.

Concluding thoughts:

- The board's June revision to the Strategic Action Plan was a good first step.
- The board wants to be data-informed and evidence-based in its decision making.
- The board's goal is to limit staff presentation during board meetings and instead focus on discussion and idea generation.
- Regular communication with presidents and chancellors, trustees, and other system leaders is critical to the success of the strategic plan.
- The Strategic Action Plan Task Force will continue to meet to guide this work and provide recommendations and updates to the State Board.

Olympic College Ground Lease with Western Washington University (Resolution 23-10-43)

Olympic College (OC) is seeking approval to negotiate a ground lease with Western Washington University (WWU) to site a new university academic building and cyber range on the Olympic College Poulsbo campus.

Olympic College and WWU's College of Science and Engineering are working together in one of the nation's few community college-to-university cybersecurity program collaborations. WWU's Bachelor

of Science in cybersecurity program is a "2+2" program: Students complete the first two years of the program at Olympic College, earning a transfer degree in cybersecurity. The final two years of the program are completed at WWU, currently offered at OC Poulsbo campus, enables students to complete the requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity.

Currently Olympic College and WWU share a facility at the OC Poulsbo campus that does not meet the future needs of OC or WWU. WWU would like to construct its own dedicated space to expand its offerings at the Olympic College Poulsbo campus. Upon successful negotiating a site, the ground lease will be presented to the board for final approval.

Motion: Moved by Board Member Reich, seconded by Board Member Gutiérrez Kenney and unanimously approved by the board, the adoption of Resolution 23-10-43 authorizing Olympic College to negotiate siting a Western Washington University academic building and cyber range at the Olympic College's Poulsbo campus.

ACT Report

Pat Shuman, ACT president, reported on the following:

- 2023 ACCT Leadership Congress — Building a Legacy: Uplifting Students and Transforming Communities.
- ACT Fall Conference — Reboot, Refresh, and Refine: Trustee Skills for Tumultuous Times.

WACTC Report

Tim Stokes, WACTC president, reported on action taken at the Oct. 6 WACTC Meeting:

- ctcLink financial aid process: The State Board is to contract with a vendor to conduct a central analysis of financial aid processes and to make recommendations for improvements.
- ctcLink common business processes: The system should embrace a uniformed process with the idea that all agencies will follow the same process and will rely on basic PeopleSoft programming without indefinite customization, as much as possible.
- Student success software: Elected to use same tool systemwide.
- Approved WACTC's Operating Budget End-Run Policy.

System Unions Report

Karen Strickland, American Federation of Teachers (AFT), and Sue Nightingale, Washington Education Association (WEA), provided brief overviews of their preliminary legislative agendas.

Executive Director Report

Paul Francis, State Board executive director, reported on the following:

- Bellingham Technical College's Campus Center Building emergency repair request.
- State Board office staffing updates.

Board Discussion and Chair's Report

Chair Mason-Placek thanked the board members for their time and State Board staff for their presentations.

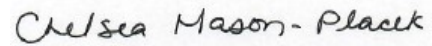
Adjournment/next meeting

There being no further business, the State Board adjourned its Oct. 19, 2023 regular meeting at 12:20 p.m. The State Board Retreat will be held Nov. 8-9, 2023 at Alderbrook. The next regular meeting will be Dec. 6-7, 2023, via Zoom.

Attest



Paul Francis, secretary



Chelsea Mason-Placek, chair