

**Metropolitan Education Commission
Executive Board Meeting
MEC Office, 930 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ.
Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7:00 a.m.**

AMENDED MINUTES

Attendance: Members present: Dr. June Webb-Vignery, Bill Ardern, Pat Wiedhopf, Dr. Louis Albert, George Favela, Paul Lovelis
Members absent: Dr. Kasey Urquidez
Non-members present: Edward Nossem.

NOTE: THIS MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY PAT WIEDHOPF IN DR. KASEY URQUIDEZ'S ABSENCE.

1.0 * CALL TO ORDER – PAT WIEDHOPF

The meeting was called to order at *7:00* a.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL – PAT WIEDHOPF

Roll call was conducted; a quorum was established.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – PAT WIEDHOPF

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was recited by all attendees.

4.0* APPROVAL OF *APRIL 30*, 2015 MEETING MINUTES – PAT WIEDHOPF

Motion to approve: George Favela

Second: Bill Ardern

Motion approved unanimously.

5.0 MEC FUNDRAISING – DR. JUNE WEBB-VIGNERY

We have submitted a sustainability proposal to the Helios Education Foundation and are awaiting reply. Pima County has sent 2015-2016 MEC and RCAC contracts; we will be meeting with Ana Durazo to discuss the metrics for the MEC contract today. We have not received the City 2015-2016 contract yet, but we are in the budget. The Americorps grant will include funding for 24 student near-peer advisors for 8 high schools. The Executive Board a draft of an MOU requested from United Way for the Youth On The Rise program.

MEC Staff – Motion to offer 3-month contracts to MEC Staff running from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015: George Favela

Second: Dr. Louis Albert

Motion carried unanimously.

6.0 MEC RETREAT – DR. JUNE WEBB-VIGNERY

At the MEC Regular meeting it was decided to look into moving the date of the Retreat to Saturday, August 15th from Saturday, August 8th, in order to increase the likeliness of getting students representing school districts to the Retreat; Ed has contacted Morgan McClincy at the U of A and will follow up.

Motion to approve: Paul Lovelis

Second: George Favela

Motion carried unanimously.

Election of MEC Board Officers – we need to name a nominating committee; the nominating committee recommends officers and the Commission votes on them. Names suggested for the Nominating Committee included Aaron Myers, Javier Herrera, and Jen Darland. Dr. Urquidez is not continuing as Executive Board Chair; Dr. Albert can continue to represent Pima Community College until the Chancellor recommends a replacement. It was suggested that the current Executive Board stay on until October 2015.

7.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 Collaborations – Dr. June Webb-Vignery

The Community Schools partnership was discussed; Dr. Webb-Vignery is on the Steering Committee, and they need the input of the RCAC to implement the program.

7.2 Budget - Bill Ardern

No action.

7.3 Crystal Apple Awards Luncheon – Dr. June Webb-Vignery

Besides the net income from sales of table sponsorships, almost \$2,000 in additional donations was collected from the donation envelopes (checks, cash, and credit card).

7.4 Issues – Pat Wiedhopf

Dr. Webb-Vignery and other Executive Board members will be meeting with General Ron Shoopman and Dr. John Pedicone of the Southern Arizona Leadership Council to discuss state funding for education on June 1, 2015.

7.5 RCAC – David Rodriguez (not in attendance)

No action.

7.6 Appointments – Paul Lovelis

No action.

7.7 YAC/TTC – Paul Lovelis

No action.

7.8 Key to Employment Symposium – Ed Nossem

We have secured the UA Student Union for Wednesday, February 3, 2016 for the 2016 K2E event.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT – PAT WIEDHOPF

Motion to Adjourn: Dr. Louis Albert

Second: Bill Ardern

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.