Clatsop Community College
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MINUTES OF THE JULY 23, 2026
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk, Mitra Vazeen

Others Present: Kevin Leahy, Jim Alegria, Beth Van Elswyk, Bill Meck, Jennifer Carlson, Tina Kotson, “RWB”, “DA”, President Jarrod Hogue and Recording Secretary Felicity Green

CALL TO ORDER
Ed Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Roll was called. Bill Montero, Sheila Roley, Ed Johnson and Ashley Flukinger were present at roll call. Lloyd Mueller, Mitra Vazeen and Jody Stahancyk arrived at 5:38 pm.

Bill Montero **moved to approve the agenda as presented**. Sheila Roley seconded the motion. **Bill Montero, Sheila Roley, Ed Johnson and Ashley Flukinger voted Aye. Lloyd Mueller, Mitra Vazeen and Jody Stahancyk were absent. <u>The motion carried.</u>**

PUBLIC FORUM
There was no public comment.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>
Sheila Roley **moved to approve both the Minutes of the June 18 Board Retreat and the Minutes of the June 18, 2026 Public Hearing on the Budget and Regular Board Meeting as presented.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Bill Montero, Sheila Roley, Ed Johnson and Ashley Flukinger voted Aye. Lloyd Mueller, Mitra Vazeen and Jody Stahancyk were absent. <u>The motion carried.</u>**

<u>REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT</u>
President Hogue thanked all the staff who are volunteering at the county fair, including some who would ordinarily be attending the meeting.

The seven-year institutional effectiveness report is due to NWCCU at the end of the summer. This is the culmination of the accreditation cycle and is extremely important. He is blocking out full days on his calendar to work on this report. He is looking forward to sharing the completed report with the Board in September. The next step after the report is submitted will be the peer review and accreditation visit in October.

The Living Machine at MERTS had been mothballed for over a decade but the College is now partnering with OSU, ColPac and the Industrial Symbiosis work group to use it for research into wastewater treatment for breweries and fish processing. The wastewater will be funneled through earthworm beds to remove contaminants, a process which has been productive for wineries. The hope is that the processed water can be reintroduced into the Columbia. CCC science students will be working with OSU on the project.

The College entry at the Warrenton 4th of July parade won the Mayor's Choice award. President Hogue pulled the float, which was the College lifeboat, gave kudos to all the other volunteers and said he was impressed by the number of people, particularly young families, who attend the parade.

He spoke about the HVAC training grant, which he has been watching closely. It is a foundational trades program which quickly gets students into jobs. He said former Board member Tim Lyman originally alerted him to the possibility of a specific grant for HVAC workforce training. President Hogue put the program together in partnership with Diamond Heating. The College had originally planned the program for 12 students in the first of three cohorts, but 60 applied. There are 24 in the program right now and two cohorts still to come. The students, who transition from the classroom into what are essentially internships, receive training stipends as they complete sections of the course. Several have already been offered full time jobs.

President Hogue went on to talk about the Forerunner. Several experts have assessed the vessel, culminating in a $435,000 repair estimate from WCT Marine. He thinks spending this much money on a 60-year-old fishing vessel would be a bad investment. However, he values the maritime program and wants to make sure that the students get the experience they need. He has been exploring options, including sourcing a new vessel and partnering with Tongue Point, who are in the process of purchasing a new vessel. He has also spoken with WCT Marine about renting a tugboat on occasion and they may be willing to partner with the College and offer special pricing.

There was a question about students who need sea time. Time on the Forerunner is not part of any specific Coast Guard licensing program. Coast Guard license upgrade students make up most of the College's maritime students. Sea time is a requirement for 2-year degree seeking students to get their initial Coast Guard licensure but it does not necessarily have to be on a vessel owned by the College.

Jody Stahancyk **recommended that the Board appoint Mitra Vazeen to be the point person from the Board to assist President Hogue in putting out a position paper and looking at this issue.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. <u>The motion carried.</u>**

President Hogue concluded his report by saying that the College continues to do well in the student survey. The net promoter score increased again in the Spring 2025 survey and students are overall very satisfied. He would like to see higher scores in course availability and times; the College is trying to be more flexible even if they can't offer 12 sections like bigger schools.

<u>REPORT OF THE BOARD CHAIR</u>

Ed Johnson, in his last report as Board Chair, thanked everyone for allowing him to be the Board Chair for the last couple years. He thinks the Board has accomplished a lot, including hiring a new president. He thanked Jody Stahancyk for leading that process and making a fantastic choice. He expressed his appreciation for faculty and staff and said that the College had an excellent year. He feels the College has made great strides. Hearing students evaluate their experiences is very important to him and hearing Fiona Hackett speak about the changes the college has made in her life at graduation was very meaningful. He enjoyed one on one interviews with students; he spoke with one student who took a class they were afraid of but ended up loving. That is a credit to faculty and staff. He also mentioned a nursing student who started out in the GED program and ended up as an RN. He credited Percy for all her work on this student's success.

Jody Stahancyk said that she is sure she speaks for all Board members when she says that at the time Ed Johnson agreed to take this job, it was dicey and there was a lot of unrest. She thanked him for doing a phenomenal job of moving things through and making sure everyone feels heard.

Mitra Vazeen thanked Ed Johnson for his leadership and his time.

PRESIDENT'S EVALUATION AND GOALS

Bill Montero said that Jarrod has created goals for next year. There was some discussion of whether a self-evaluation was sufficient. Most Board members agreed that there should be a more formal evaluation, with several commenting that it is a critical part of the process for education professionals as well as being important for accreditation. The committee has created a survey. They will send it out to the Board for responses and Lloyd Mueller will compile it for discussion by the Board.

APPROVE PAUSE ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION, AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN and CADD PROGRAMS

President Hogue explained that these programs must be formally suspended by the Board and that action reported to the HECC. New students will not be enrolled in suspended programs. Current degree seeking students will have an opportunity to complete their degrees. It will be a little more difficult for students who are not on a formal path to graduation or degree completion but have only taken a few classes here and there, but the College is committed to doing everything they can.

Any classes in these programs that are listed in the fall schedule are completion classes for continuing students. The College will be creating teach out plans and opportunities for all affected students. Financial Aid will be contacting all the students individually. The decision to suspend the programs was based on long time enrollment and completion numbers.

Jody Stahancyk **moved to suspend Historic Preservation and Restoration Programs as outlined by the President in his recent comments.** Sheila Roley seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk **moved to suspend the Automotive Technician Program but to allow the College to assess the viability of such a program consistent with the number of students, the classwork and the cost.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk **moved to suspend the CADD Technician Program consistent with the College looking to see what is appropriate in terms of the financial ramifications, the number of students and the viability of finding teachers and programs.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS
Ashley Flukinger **nominated Bill Montero as Board Chair.** Mitra Vazeen seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Mitra Vazeen **nominated Lloyd Mueller as Board Vice Chair.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD COMMITTEE REPS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27
Jody Stahancyk **recommended Mitra Vazeen for Foundation Board liaison.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk **moved that Lloyd Mueller be the head of the Presidential Evaluation Committee.** Ed Johnson seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Ashley Flukinger **nominated Jody Stahancyk as the Board Policy Committee Chair.** Ed Johnson seconded the nomination. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Ashley Flukinger **nominated Jody Stahancyk as the Chair of the Board Policy Committee.** Ed Johnson seconded the nomination. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk **nominated Ed Johnson as the Board representative to CEDR.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the nomination. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk proposed establishing a new Board committee on communications and marketing.

Jody Stahancyk **nominated Sheila Roley as the Board representative to OCCA.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the nomination. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk resigned as Chair of the Board Policy Committee.

Jody Stahancyk **recommended Ashley Flukinger as Chair of the Board Policy Committee.** Mitra Vazeen seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Jody Stahancyk **moved that the Board create a Communications and Marketing Committee.** Sheila Roley seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Ashley Flukinger **nominated Jody Stahancyk as the Chair of the Communications and Marketing Committee and Mitra Vazeen to be the Vice Chair**. Sheila Roley seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

SET BOARD MEETING DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS

There was some discussion of possible days for regular monthly Board meetings.

Jody Stahancyk **moved that Board meetings from this point forward take place on the second Tuesday of each month and that the Board continues to alternate between South County and the main campus.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

Bill Montero **moved that the Board have an Executive Session for the Presidential Evaluation on Tuesday, August 11 in South County.** Jody Stahancyk seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK, DEPUTY CLERK AND BOARD SECRETARY

Bill Montero read the recommendation**: that the Board appoint President Jarrod Hogue as the Clerk of the College; Jennifer Carlson, Chief Financial Officer, as Deputy Clerk of the College; and Felicity Green, Executive Coordinator to the President and Board of Education, as Board Secretary.** Ed Johnson so moved. Jody Stahancyk seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

AUTHORIZE FISCAL YEAR SIGNATURES

Ed Johnson **moved that the Board authorize the Clerk (the President), the Deputy Clerk (the Chief Financial Officer) and the Provost / Vice President for Instruction and Student Success be authorized to sign orders and other transactions.** Jody Stahancyk seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

APPOINTMENT OF BUDGET OFFICER

Ed Johnson **moved that the Board appoint Chief Financial Officer Jennifer Carlson as the Budget Officer.** Jody Stahancyk seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

DESIGNATE DEPOSITORY OF FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27

Bill Montero read the recommendation: **that the Board adopts the list of qualified depositories in Clatsop County for public funds for FY26-27 as designated by the Oregon State Treasury.** Ed Johnson so moved. Jody Stahancyk seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

SET 2026-27 BOARD GOALS

Jody Stahancyk **moved that this item be set over until the August 11 Work Session.** Ashley Flukinger seconded the motion. **Ashley Flukinger, Ed Johnson, Bill Montero, Lloyd Mueller, Sheila Roley, Jody Stahancyk and Mitra Vazeen voted Aye. The motion carried.**

BOARD FORUM

Ashley Flukinger thanked Ed Johnson for being chair for two years and Bill Montero for agreeing to be chair for 26/27.

Bill Montero said tongue in cheek that he's up for election next year and he's still deciding if he will run.

Lloyd Mueller said that he had used the Idealab twice this week and it was great. The students are really helpful and it is a really nice place.

Ed Johnson asked if students would be participating in the Regatta parade. Tina Kotson said that 12 nursing students were signed up to march.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.