

**October 15, 2020**  
ZOOM

**Present:** Greg Nelson, Jonathan Eldridge Isidro Farias, Mia Robertshaw, Meg Pasquel, Maria Coulson, Peggy Dodge, Maridel Barr, Maridel Barr, Monica Applegate, Janis Olson, Luanne Mullin, Marian Mermel Fernando Sanchez Lopez (student rep), Bertha Cazares (student rep), and Micöi Benèt

**Absent:** In Superintendent/President Coon's absence, Vice President Greg Nelson chaired the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Vice President Nelson.

1. **Agenda** –The agenda was approved by consensus.
2. **Minutes** - The [minutes of the September 10, 2020 College Council meeting](#) were approved.
3. **President's Report**

Capital Projects Update

Isidro Farias, Director of Capital Projects, provided an update to the Council on all current projects. He reported that the G4 architects are working closely with Administrative Services on the schematic design phase of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and as part of continuing outreach will give a presentation to College Council in November before presenting to the Board of Trustees.

The LRC Lease-Leaseback Contractor Selection process is continuing. Four contractors are currently short-listed and the selected contractor will be presented at the November Board meeting.

While the Learning Resource Center demolition has been slowed, it is almost complete. Mitigation for special tribal soil at the location is underway. Director Farias' full Capital Projects Update may be found [here](#).

COVID-19 update:

Vice President of Administrative Services, Greg Nelson, informed the Council that the Administration has selected members and created two groups for the COVID-19 Work Group 2.0 - one for oversight and one for the implementation of safe reopening measures. The groups will be composed of staff and faculty and the first COVID-19 Work Group 2.0 meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020.

In response to a question about whether College of Marin intends to rent their facilities again soon, Vice President Nelson stated that beginning November 1, 2020 the College would be limitedly renting small facilities. with many safety protocols in place. Measures include renter liability insurance and lots of monitoring.

Anti-Racism Plan Follow Up

Vice President Nelson reported that an anti-racism group has been formed to work on a cohesive District plan and definition to create a unified College goal. This will allow faculty and staff to channel anti-racism efforts uniformly and in the same direction.

**4. Constituent Reports**

Academic Senate (AS)

AS President Meg Pasquel reminded ASCOM President Fernando Sanchez Lopez that while faculty are not required to post mid-term grades that it is a student's right to ask and know where they stand at the mid-term point. She highly recommends that he communicate this information to the student body so students can take active steps to improve their grades, if needed.

Meg reported that both the anti-racism and equity projects are doing very well. Diversity internships will first help create a more varied intern cohort and then help interns apply for jobs to diversify hiring pools. The cultural curriculum audit is continuing and is intended to offer students multiple points of view and other than the traditional canon.

The AS continues to update the online faculty repository for best practices and guidelines, in support of distance education and teaching. On November 16, 2020 there will be a meeting and discussion regarding the pros and cons of the Proctorio® platform.

Classified Senate

Classified Senate President Maridel Barr reported that the first ever virtual Halloween fundraiser is planned for October 30, 2020 from noon to 1:30 p.m. In addition to the annual Halloween costume contest, there will be games, and a raffle.

Because there won't be a need for food and decorations this year, the Classified Senate is focusing its fundraising efforts exclusively for the *COM Student Emergency Fund*. Those who wish to donate are encouraged to text "candy" to 919-99.

The Classified Senate and President Dr. Coon have teamed up to match donations up to \$600.

ASCOM

ASCOM President Fernando Sanchez Lopez reported improved attendance at the ASCOM virtual events but better attendance is desired. ASCOM is currently focused on the November election and getting as much bi-lingual information to students as possible using social media platforms, reminding them how important their vote is.

Vice President Bea Cazares, reported on the Interclub Council tribute night where students for social justice discussed ballot measures. Each student club is working on creating their own one-minute video to post on social media to recruit new student members.

Upcoming ASCOM events include Día de los Muertos, scheduled for November 2, 2020 during COMMUNITY Hour, 12:30-1:30 p.m., with a live Mariachi performance. Also, ASCOM has been and working with Keith Rosenthal, Director of Advancement, to communicate the positive impact COM scholarships have on students.

ESCOM

Luanne Mullin, ESCOM's President, reported that there was a League of Women's Voters event on October 14, 2020. Incumbents presented their visions future contributions for and to COM and attendees had the opportunity to ask questions.

Recently ESCOM hosted presenters from the Marin Health Department, who discussed their contact tracing program in detail and explained how contact tracing works.

ESCOM is finalizing their strategic plan, the Marin Rotary club is helping ESCOM with marketing, and Director Keith Rosenthal is helping with the ESCOM year-end funding campaign.

**5. Board of Trustees**

The College Council briefly reviewed the Board of Trustees regular meeting agenda, for October 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Notably, the agenda will include the Adoption Budget 2020-2021, a resolution requesting the extension of the design application for the Bill and Adele Jonas Center pedestrian bridge for one year, a resolution for Authorization to Establish Trust Funds so that the COM Foundation can be transferred back to the College entity, a resolution of intent to lease the Miwok Dive Tower facility, and Board Policy First reads that includes a draft policy on single use plastics.

Otherwise, the agenda includes business items such as approval of regular consent items, MOUs and administrative procedure updates, including AP 3725 Information and Communications Technology and Accessibility (New), AP 5020 Nonresident Tuition, and AP 7120 Employment Recruitment.

**6. Meeting Wrap Up**

There were no additional matters to discuss.

**7. Meeting Schedule**

The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2020 and will be held via Zoom.

**8. Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.