BOARD OF TRUSTEES
July 20, 2013
8:00 A.M.
Rocky Mountain Ballroom – Vail Cascade

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

In attendance: Samantha Barlow, Joel Begay, Susie Burghart, Bill Campbell, Heather Carroll, Angela Cobian, Dan Cooper, Alan Harris, Bill Hybl, Mike Lampton, Amy Louis, Bob Manning, Eben Moulton, Adam Press, Karen Pope, Jane Rawlings, Bob Selig, Van Skilling, Mike Slade, Phil Swan, Brian Thomson, Jill Tiefenthaler, Jack Wold, Nancy Woodrow, Sue Woolsey

Staff: Caitlin Apigian, Dave Armstrong, Jermyn Davis, Mike Edmonds, Mark Hatch, Robert Moore, Sean Pieri, Ken Ralph, Jane Turnis, Sandi Wong, (Anita Pariseau, Molly Bodnar, Mark Hille – plenary session only)

Trustees not in attendance: Sue Allon, Neal Baer, John Chalik, Lynne Cheney, Bill Hybl, Manuel Martinez, Doug Norberg, Bob Ross, Cole Wilber, Brian Williamson

Introductory Remarks
Chair Eben Moulton called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 a.m. and welcomed trustees and staff.

Strategic Project Teams
There were final updates for three of the four Strategic Project Teams. The report for the Board Education: Admissions and Financial Aid SPT was given by Vice President for Enrollment Management Mark Hatch. Vice President Hatch’s report detailed the college’s growth in selectivity over the last ten years and summarized the college’s admission process.

The update for the Advancement Transition SPT was given by Vice President for Advancement Sean Pieri. Vice President Pieri presented an overview of the advancement’s division plan for the future and corresponding goals.

Trustee Dan Cooper presented the final update for the Campus Safety SPT. This SPT has recommended items to the college to ensure and strengthen the overall safety of the campus.

Oath of Office
Vice-Chair Phil Swan administered the oath of office to incoming trustees Joel Begay ‘14 (student trustee), Andy Stenovec ’85 and Thayer Tutt.

President’s Report
President Tiefenthaler thanked all trustees and cabinet members for their support and engagement during the retreat and throughout the entire strategic planning process.

President Tiefenthaler gave an update on Slocum Hall renovations. The budget and timing of completion of renovations are on time for early move-in on August 23, 2013. President Tiefenthaler recently toured the facility, which features open floor plans, welcoming lounge
areas for student gatherings, new kitchen spaces, beautifully designed outdoor spaces and individual temperature control panels in the rooms. There was emphasis that the renovation of Slocum hall underscores CC’s commitment to sustainability with the installation of new, energy efficient windows, added insulation to walls, low-flush toilets, etc. She also gave a big thanks to Vice President for Student Life/Dean of Students Mike Edmonds, Vice President for Finance and Administration Robert Moore and Director of Facilities Chris Coulter for all their hard work.

President Tiefenthaler then continued her report with a discussion about admissions. CC had a record 5,780 applicants with 1,290 accepted students. Three percent (3%) of the incoming class is Chinese and that students of color make up 28% of the incoming class. In total, 45 states, DC, and 23 foreign countries are represented in the incoming class. President Tiefenthaler thanked Mark Hatch and his entire staff for their hard work.

President Tiefenthaler also gave an update about the CTO search. We are close to extending an offer to a candidate who is a sitting Vice President and CTO at another college/university. Thanks to trustee Brian Thompson for all of his honest and candid feedback about the candidates. She also thanked Dave Armstrong for his service as the Interim Vice-President of Information Technology.

President Tiefenthaler asked Director of Athletics Ken Ralph to give an update on athletics. Ken indicated that CBS Sports would nationally telecast four hockey games this year and that NBC would telecast one game. President Tiefenthaler mentioned that she was glad that Ken Ralph would continue to be at CC to direct the athletic program. Additionally, she noted CC graduate Nick Lammers ’13 was named the inaugural SCAC Man of the Year.

President Tiefenthaler closed her report by acknowledging the recent faculty accomplishments.

At the conclusion of the president’s report there was a question regarding if hockey played a role in the death of CC alumnus (Class of 2013) Scott Winkler’s death. Ken Ralph answered that he was not aware of such a connection.

**Consent Agenda/Action Items**
The following items on the action items were **moved, seconded and approved**: 

1. Spencer Renovations. Presented by Chair of the Budget, Buildings and Grounds, Amy Louis. Amy stated that construction costs would be $8 million ($7 million cash reserve, $1 million request). The new renovations would also include a board meeting room. The renovation request was **moved, seconded and approved**.

2. PV Solar Array. Also presented by Chair of the Budget, Buildings and Grounds, Amy Louis. Amy stated that the vote on this project was happening earlier than originally planned. She stressed the importance of this project to students, parents and also CC for its green/sustainability initiatives.

There was much discussion about the solar array. Vice President for Administration and Finance, Robert Moore answered questions. He indicated that it was difficult to answer some of the questions as the College was relying upon verbal statements from the staff of the Colorado Springs Utilities system and had yet to receive a draft contract from Utilities. Robert did indicate that the steps going forward would be to 1) obtain an option to purchase the property 2) create/finalize the Colorado Springs Utilities contract and 3)
begin the process for selecting a contractor. Robert Moore indicated that $6 million from the Next Generation Fund could be utilize to fund the project, but that no significant expenditure of funds would occur without first obtaining a contract which was similar in scope to the verbal statements from Colorado Springs Utilities.

President Tiefenthaler also stated that the solar array was a big issue on campus and that the decision to move forward was more of a strategic decision versus a business decision.

Life Time Trustee Sue Woolsey also mentioned that perhaps the board should revisit the sustainability plan and see what is reasonable now...is carbon neutrality feasible by 2020? She also indicated that it made sense to move forward with the solar array and that it could be incorporated into fundraising.

The solar array project was eventually **moved, seconded and approved**. There was one “no” vote.

3. **Bylaws. Moved, seconded and approved.** A big thanks was given to Alan Harris for his assistance in rewriting and editing sections of the bylaws.

4. **Faculty Handbook.** The entire handbook was **moved, seconded and approved** with the exception of Section D. This section will be rewritten and submitted at the November board meeting for approval.

5. **Promotion of Associate Professor History Brian Rommel-Ruiz to full professor. Moved, seconded and approved.**

6. **Resolution for Finance Signature. Moved, seconded and approved.**

7. **Resolution for Estate Signature. Moved, seconded and approved.**

8. **Resolution for the Adoption of the Strategic Plan. Moved, seconded and approved.**

9. **Resolution of Gratitude and Commendation for the strategic planning process. Moved, seconded and approved.**

**Executive Session**

The full Board went into executive session at 10:55 a.m. and adjourned approximately 10 minutes later.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan S. Burghart
Secretary