



# MPC

# FOUNDATION

MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

4:00 PM

MEETING VIA ZOOM

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Anthony (joined at Item 7A)  
Carla Becerra  
Dr. Linda Bynoe  
Steve Cardinalli  
Tom Clifford  
Jeremy Green  
Jason Griffin  
Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter  
Jean Hurd  
Stephan Lins  
Rob Lee  
Mary Alice Rennick  
Maria Ruess  
Joyce Simon  
Nathan Steen  
Theresa Wright  
Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill  
Linda Yellich  
Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Andrew Ausonio  
Susie Boutonnet  
Steve Haigler  
Evelyne Lamson  
Joe Servi  
Lin Sullivan

### STAFF PRESENT

Gina Bianchi  
Beccie Michael  
Gerardo Olivares  
Annie Tarbox  
Allison Payne

1. **Meeting called to order by Rob Lee, President at 4:02 P.M.**

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

3. **RECOGNITION /GUESTS**

4. **APPROVAL of November 9, 2022, MINUTES – Rob Lee, PRESIDENT**

Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill made a motion to approve the November 9, 2022 minutes with correction of removing Maria Ruess' name from the "All in Favor" votes on Item 4 (Approval of Sept 21, 2022 Minutes) since she abstained and was also listed under "Abstentions."

**Second:** Jean Hurd

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinalli, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carries.**

5. **Guest Presentation: Update Regarding MPC Foundation's Investments**

(Cris Cabanillas and colleagues from Monterey Private Wealth - MPW)

- Cris started by thanking the MPC Foundation for 13 years of partnering together and introduced Hanna Rogge as another member of MPW. He proceeded to share the current figures of the Foundation's Investment Portfolio.
- Cris explained the bond market and how difficult it had been the past year; there were some losses on our investments.

- He then proceeded to share the current allocations and mentioned that in the last quarter, things improved somewhat.
- Hanna shared that at the end of the quarter there was some positive return, and our organization was able to bounce back to over \$10 million.
- Maria Ruess asked about what is the prediction for next year, is the first quarter next year looking good?
- Cris addressed the predictions and although this is affected by time, so it is not a guarantee, things are looking better. It seems that the improvements of the last quarter will hold and continue to improve.
- The BOD continued to discuss and ask Cris for some recommendations for our portfolio. Cris explained some recommendations including short term bonds, that is one strategy that has been implemented. There is another strategy that focuses on interest rates, but this will depend on what the market is doing.

## 6. **BUSINESS**

### A. **Determine Format For Board Meeting – Rob Lee**

- President Lee shared that this is a resolution to authorize remote meetings for the next 30 day period if we choose to approve it.
- There was some discussion regarding hybrid meetings, and whether that impacted staff.
- Rob also explained that Beccie will provide more information later in the meeting regarding amendments to the Brown Act that will affect meeting format after our January 2023 board meeting.

Maria Ruess made a motion to adopt the Resolution to allow remote meeting (via Zoom) only for the next 30 days.

**Second:** Joyce Simon

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinalli, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill

**Motion Carries.**

### B. **2023 Board Officers – Rob Lee**

- President Lee presented the proposed slate of Board Officers for 2023. They are as follows:
  - President - Stephan Lins
  - Vice President - Nate Steen
  - Treasurer - Jeremy Green
  - Secretary - Evelyne Lamson
  - Executive Committee At Large Members: Jason Griffin & Linda Yellich

Tom Clifford made a motion to accept the 2023 Board Officers as presented.

**Second:** Jean Hurd

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinalli, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carries.**

### C. **2023 Budget – Beccie Michael**

- Beccie communicated to the BOD that this is the same budget that was presented as a draft at the last BOD meeting with a very detailed presentation. If approved, this budget will go on effect January of 2023.

- Dr. Tinsley asked Beccie if the new Strategic Plan influenced any budget plans and changes for 2023. Beccie replied that absolutely, the 2023 budget was driven by the new Strategic Plan. It was helpful to be able to work on the budget while the Strategic Planning work was underway so that they could both be aligned.

Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill made a motion to adopt the 2023 budget as presented.

**Second:** Maria Ruess

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinali, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carries.**

#### D. 2023 Calendar – Beccie Michael

- Beccie presented the draft Calendar for next year. She pointed out that a nice alignment for the donor appreciation party in February 2023 is that we are having a guest speaker at MPC that evening, and they will be able to be at our event too. The speaker is Dr. Alexis Scott, who focuses on diversity in the STEM field, and her visit was funded by our HSI-STEM grant.
- Our Lobo Hall of Fame (LHF) is set for March 10 2023, more information is coming.
- We will have a President's Award Lunch in August 2023.
- October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Hyatt in Monterey is our EOO Gala. This was moved by a week due to venue availability.
- Maria asked if the word "draft" should be removed from the document. Beccie explained that after the BOD votes on it, Beccie will finalize the 2023 Calendar and add a footnote indicating it was adopted on 12/7/23. Then Beccie will email a finalized version to the BOD.

Jean Hurd made a motion to accept the 2023 Calendar as presented.

**Second:** Theresa Wright

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinali, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carries.**

#### E. 2023 Lobo Hall of Fame Nominations – Beccie Michael

- Beccie shared that this item is very exciting since this event was "inherited" from Dr. Rich Kezirian and Renee who started it about thirty years ago and over the past few years it has become an MPC Foundation event.
- Beccie shared that this year we have three distinguished alumni and three alumni athletes. The list is as follows (in no particular order):

##### Distinguished Alumni:

**Wayne Downey** (attended in the mid-1950s)

- Classroom teacher, a junior high counselor. He has directed MPUSD programs for all ages such as Summer School, Regional Occupational Programs (ROP) and Drivers Ed.
- Local Salvation Army Board for over 30 years!!
- Board of Trustees for both the Carmel and Monterey Presbyterian Churches
- Board of Directors for the Chapman Foundation, which is dedicated to prepare students to succeed in college.
- He is a long-time member of the Rotary Club of Monterey and served as its president several years ago.

**Glenn Tickner (1952-1954)**

- Transferred to UC Berkeley and earned BS and MS degrees in Mechanical Engineering, and then began working on a PhD at Stanford (sadly was unable to finish due to a divorce).
- He was one of the first bioengineers in the world, and is credited for inventing the use of microbubbles in ultrasound technology.
- He recently won the prestigious Marquis Who's Who Award for his accomplishments.
- He holds 17 patents and has published over 50 research papers and articles, including those for his work regarding the Korotkoff Sound method that was central to NASA's ability to measure blood pressure of astronauts in space.
- His career includes service for the Wave Research Lab at Cal, Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, Itek/Vidya (under contract for NASA), Palo Alto Medical Research Foundation, and more.

**Erin M. Sullivan (Class of 2005)**

- Transferred to UC San Francisco School of Medicine
- Earned her Medical Doctorate degree
- Began working as an Emergency Room Physician at CHOMP in 2018, worked ER all through the pandemic

**Alumni Athletes:**

**Ron Locicero (1960-61)**

- BA degree Sacramento State master's degree Cal Poly SLO
- 2 year starter sac state, 2 year all-conference first team MVP homecoming game honorable mention little all- American
- Founder Morgan Hill exclusive playground Magical Bridge Morgan Hill
- Morgan Hill CA Man of the Year 2020

**Joe Oleata (posthumously) - Attended MPC 1961-63**

- Was a star athlete for both the baseball and football team during his years with the programs.
- At MPC Baseball he was named to the All-Coast JC Conference Team as a freshman and dubbed the "rifle-armed backstop".
- Scouted by Chicago Cubs, coached various city league teams for kids and grandkids.
- After MPC he completed an apprenticeship and eventually became owner-operator of Anderson Electric.
- Life long alumnus and fan. Was at every home football game.
- Upstanding lifelong citizen, business owner on the peninsula.

**Trisha Kelly - 82-85...swam '83/'84**

- Now a HS math teacher at Monterey HS
- Coached by Ted Trendt; broke numerous records, Beccie still researching those to complete her profile.
- Top five on Trendt's list for LHF inductees

Joyce Simon made a motion to approve the nominees for 2023 LHF as presented

**Second:** Jason Griffin

**All in Favor:** Carla Becerra, Dr. Linda Bynoe, Steve Cardinalli, Tom Clifford, Jeremy Green, Jason Griffin, Dr. Alfred Hochstaedter, Jean Hurd, Stephan Lins, Rob Lee, Mary Alice Rennick, Maria Ruess, Joyce Simon, Nathan Steen, Theresa Wright, Dr. Patsy Tinsley McGill, Linda Yellich and Marc Zacovic, Ph.D.

**Nays:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carries.**

## 7. INFORMATION/REPORTS

### A. College Superintendent/President's Report - Mark Zacovic, Ph.D.

- Dr. Zacovic started his report by sharing that MPC is at the end of the semester, so these are exciting times and we are also getting ready for some plans in Spring.

- Dr. Zacovic mentioned that there is a lot of good energy for 2023. We have been engaged in about 9 months for an ERP, a software program for the College that will integrate our processes and technology as a single system. Many colleges in the state have these ERP systems. This is a major initiative and will probably be a 30-month project for the full conversion.
- The majority of community colleges in California have dropped the COVID mandates, including MPC. We recommend vaccines and masks, and we hope it will have a positive impact on enrollment.
- A few more bond projects are underway, including the replacement of our music building and the renovation of the Welcome Center building. Architects are already working on those with staff.
- Also, the Marina Education Center is getting an investment of about \$45 million to enhance that campus.
- This week we had some students re-open our art gallery and photography students did a wonderful art show.
- We had a few musical presentations by our students as well, our jazz group and our Choral group.
- Finally, for sports, our Football team was victorious in the Grizzly Bowl, which we won this last weekend so we are all very happy about that. Men's Basketball has been very active, and we made it to the finals. Also, Women's Basketball has a game tomorrow, please join us if you have the time, the game will be here at MPC.

#### **B. President's Report – Rob Lee, Board President**

- President Lee shared that MC Gives Campaign total so far: \$4,320 (as of 12/6/22). As a reminder, these gifts will be matched and will be added to our STEM endowment. Please share with family and friends.
- Lastly, President Lee informed us this is his last meeting, he wanted to thank everyone and remarked how six years have flown by. Thanks to all BOD for their time and dedication. Congratulations to the staff and everyone involved – he has been honored and humbled to serve with you all!

#### **C. Executive Director's Report & Event Updates – Beccie Michael**

- Beccie shared some Brown Act updates:
  - AB 2449 was signed into law in Sept, which presents an amendment to the Brown Act that will go into effect on January 1, 2023
  - The District attorney will be presenting information to the BOT at its Dec 14 meeting
  - In the meantime, from what she can tell, the amendment to the Brown Act will:
    - Allow us to have hybrid meetings after the state of emergency ends in February under certain conditions without posting remote locations
    - Conditions include:
      - There must be a quorum present in-person
      - Anyone attending remotely should have "just cause" for not attending in person (such as caring for a dependent, travel for Foundation or public agency business, contagious illness, physical/mental need), or has an emergency that prevents in-person attendance
      - The same member cannot participate remotely for more than 3 consecutive months or 20% of the meetings
      - Members must disclose the names of any adults over age 18 who are present in the room at the remote location
      - The Foundation must meet other procedural/technical requirements, such as providing AV, two-way communication technology (which we have set up in the Sam Karas room)
      - This information means that the majority of us will have to be in-person in February, so please let staff know if you don't have a parking pass yet.
- Fundraising
  - Board giving - reminder that we need 100% to be able to apply for grants, and we are really close!
  - Annual Appeal letter was just mailed to approximately 1,600 households who have contributed in the past but not yet this year
  - We are running some year-end giving ads in the Weekly and Herald which both come with digital ads as well; also have a full-page ad in the Winter edition of Carmel magazine.
  - Business Partners: new addition this year, HGHB Architects; also pleased to have renewed memberships from Cardinale Moving & Storage and Buena Vista Land Company.

- Grants:
  - Grants Awarded
    - Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop – we received a \$2,500 grant award in support of the MPC STEM endowment.
    - Peggy and Jack Baskin Foundation – we received a \$5,000 grant award in support of the Textbook Assistance Program and a \$10,000 grant award in support of the Evans College Incentive Program.
    - Chevron – we received a grant of \$20,000 to support STEM Work-Based Learning experiences in conjunction with the MPC Rapid Prototyping/Fabrication Lab and COOP program.
  - Grants Submitted:
    - Rotary Club of Carmel-by-the-Sea – we submitted a grant requesting \$7,500 to support the Equity-Based Student Internship Endowment.
  - Grants In Progress:
    - Arts Council for Monterey County – we will submit a grant application requesting \$5,000 to support the MPC Guest Authors Series
    - Peggy and Jack Baskin Foundation – we have been invited to apply for another multi-year grant in support of the Textbook Assistance Program.
    - Pacific Grove Rotary Club & Cannery Row Rotary Clubs – we will submit a grant application requesting support for the Internship Endowment.
- Events
  - Board Orientation (three incoming Board members) - 12/12 noon to 4pm at MPC. Please let me know if you would like to attend so we order plenty of food for lunch!
  - Board & Volunteer Holiday Party on 12/15 starting at 4pm at La Mirada
- Lastly, Beccie wanted to recognize all of our board members for their participation this year, and in particular, those who are terming out - thanks for your service and all you have done for our students.
  - Rob: Thank you for serving two amazing years as President!
  - Patsy Tinsley McGill – thanks to you, we are going into 2023 with an awesome Strategic plan which is such a gift!
  - Linda - in addition to your board/committee service and President's Circle membership, she established a scholarship for students with housing challenges!
- We are so grateful for all of you and hope to see you at the Holiday Party to celebrate with you all.

**D. 2023 Committees & Advisory Groups – Beccie Michael**

- Beccie shared her screen with all BOD and this document is available as a board package and upon request.
- If after reviewing all the committees and groups you would like an update, please communicate with Beccie or someone at our MPC Foundation office. This is a working document and changes can be made at any time. Thanks again!

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- None

**9. Meeting Adjourned by Rob Lee at 5:35 PM**

**Minutes presented by Gerardo Olivares on behalf of Susie Boutonnet, Secretary.**