

Auraria Board of Directors
Meeting Agenda
February 25, 2015, 7:30 a.m.
Tivoli 320 – Baerresen Ballroom

Maria Garcia Berry, Chair
Governor Appointment

Tamara Door, Vice Chair
Governor Appointment

Yolanda Ortega
Governor Appointment

Everette J. Freeman
President, Community College of Denver

Richard E. Martinez, Jr.
State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education

Stephen Jordan
President, Metropolitan State University of Denver

Dawn Bookhardt
Metropolitan State University of Denver Board of Trustees

Jerome F. Wartgow
Interim Chancellor, University of Colorado Denver

Stephen Ludwig
University of Colorado Board of Regents

Eric Hamilton
Representative, Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board

Stacie Amaya
Representative, Student Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board

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1. Approval of Minutes 12-17-2014

Regular minutes from the December 17, 2014 Auraria Board of Directors meeting.

Recommended Motion: That the Auraria Board of Directors approve the minutes of the December 17, 2014 regular meeting, as presented.

2. Reports:

- A. Chair of the Board, Maria Garcia Berry
- B. Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board, Eric Hamilton
- C. Student Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board, Stacie Amaya
- D. Institutional Executives, Everette J. Freeman, Stephen Jordan, Jerry Wartgow
- E. Executive Vice President for Administration, Barbara Weiske
- F. Auraria Foundation, Yolanda Ortega
- G. Legislative Report, Ms. Melanie Layton

3. Discussion / Presentation Items:

A. Presentation: Tivoli Park/ Quadrangle Project

The design of the Tivoli Park/ Quadrangle project has been progressing and is nearing completion. Representatives from Wenk & Associates, the contracted design firm, will present a brief overview of this exciting project.

4. Action Items:

A. Tivoli Park/ Quadrangle & Student Gathering Spaces: Student Fee Referendum

The Student Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board (SACAB) has worked closely on the planning and design of the Tivoli Park/ Quadrangle project and related student gathering spaces/ facilities opportunities. At their February 6, 2015 meeting, they voted to support the development of the park and future student gathering spaces through a tri-institutional student fee referendum to take place in conjunction with the constituent institutions' student government voting processes. The fee of \$5 per student per semester would be supplemented by the Auraria Foundation grant funds for the Park/ Quad and would also support the development of future student gathering spaces throughout campus, including the Tivoli patio and coffee lounge.

On Behalf of SACAB, Ms. Stacie Amaya is requesting that the referendum be allowed to take place in April 2015 and that the following draft referendum question be approved

"Shall the students of the Auraria Campus (the Community College of Denver, Metropolitan State University of Denver, and University of Colorado Denver at the downtown Denver Auraria Campus) authorize the Board of Directors of the Auraria Higher Education Center to assess each institution a supplemental student fee not to exceed \$5.00 per student per semester starting for the Fall Semester 2015 and continuing, for the purpose of funding the development, enhancement and ongoing maintenance of the outdoor Tivoli Park/Quad, the Tivoli Patio & Coffee Lounge, and other future

student gathering spaces throughout campus? The fee may be adjusted each year thereafter for inflation by the Auraria Board of Directors without a student referendum. The inflation rate shall be defined as the rate of change in the consumer price index for urban wage earners for the Denver-Boulder-Greeley area as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.”

Recommended Motion: That the Auraria Board of Directors authorize the student fee referendum for the Tivoli Park/ Quadrangle & Student Facilities and certify the question, as presented.

B. RTD College Pass Program (Student Bus and Light Rail Pass Program): Student Fee Referendum

The RTD College Pass program (Student Bus and Light Rail Pass Program) fee requires renewal for the 2015-2016 academic year. In order to continue the program, a new student fee referendum vote is required. The current student fee is \$89.00 per student. The cost of the pass program agreement for the 2015-2016 academic year is proposed at a per semester fee not to exceed \$97.00 per student.

At the February 6, 2015 meeting, the Student Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board (SACAB) voted to accept the new agreement and approve a proposal for a tri-institutional student fee referendum to take place in conjunction with the constituent institutions’ student government voting process. On behalf of SACAB, Ms. Stacie Amaya is requesting that the referendum be allowed to take place in April 2015 and that the following draft referendum question be approved:

*“Shall the students of the Auraria Campus (the Community College of Denver, Metropolitan State University of Denver, and University of Colorado Denver at the downtown Denver Auraria Campus) authorize the Board of Directors of the Auraria Higher Education Center to assess each institution a supplemental student fee not to exceed **\$97.00** per student per semester, from **August 17, 2015** through **August 21, 2016**, for the purpose of establishing an extension of the College Pass Program (Student Bus and Light Rail Pass)?”*

Recommended Motion: That the Auraria Board of Directors authorize the student fee referendum for the College Pass Program (Student Bus and Light Rail Pass Program) and certify the question, as presented.

C. MSU Denver Aerospace Engineering Sciences Building (AES) Ground Lease (Attachment: AES Term Sheet)

MSU Denver is proceeding with planning the Aerospace Engineering Sciences Building (AES), which is the next planned facility in their neighborhood. The general location is south of the Auraria Parkway and north of Walnut, roughly between 7th Street and 8th Streets. MSU Denver has previously provided a brief overview of this project. A ground lease will be required between AHEC and MSU Denver for the project to occur. The overall ground lease will be similar in form to the ground lease utilized for other institutional neighborhood development projects. A general lease term sheet for the project is attached. MSU Denver and AHEC are seeking the authority or the EVPA to negotiate, develop and execute a ground lease for the AES building.

Recommended Motion: That the Auraria Board of Directors authorize the EVPA to negotiate, develop and execute a ground lease with MSU Denver for land adjacent to the Auraria Parkway and 7th Street in the Dogwood parking lot for the purpose of constructing MSU Denver's Aerospace Engineering Science Building.

6. Public Forum

7. Adjourn