

## MINUTES

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE  
Institutional Advisory Council  
2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703

Thursday, November 3, 10:00 a.m. (PST)

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE ONLY AND THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR THIS MEETING.

## AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call** - Cary Richardson  
WNC IAC Vice Chair Cary Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:27am and roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

1. Michelle Joy - present
2. Alan Jurkonis - present
3. Wendy Loomis - present
4. Ricky Medina - present
5. Jim Peckham - present
6. Mary Pierczynski - unable to join Zoom
7. Cary Richardson, Vice Chair - present
8. Sean Rowe - absent
9. Rupert Ruiz - absent

*Others present:*

Tracy Mendibles, Recorder

Kyle Dalpe, President

Renee Davis, Acting Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and Community Colleges

Niki Gladys, Executive Director for Advancement

Eric York, PAT Academic Director

- 2. Public Comment** **Information Only**  
Vice Chair Richardson asked for public comment and non were offered.
- 3. Approval of Minutes** **Information/For Possible Action**  
Vice Chair Richardson asked if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the April 20, 2022 IAC meeting. None were offered. Michelle Joy motioned to approve the minutes. Ricky Medina seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 4. Remarks from WNC IAC Vice Chair Cary Richardson** **Information Only**  
Vice Chair Richardson welcomed the members.

**5. Remarks from WNC IAC Members**

**Information Only**

Vice Chair Richardson invited remarks from members.

Wendy Loomis - I loved the golf tournament

**7. College Updates**

**Information Only**

3600 students this semester which is good, about flat to last fall. Strategic goal is 4000 students by 2025. Developed with the Systems office looking at projections and growth. Students have more options now so it's becoming more challenging to recruit. Half of our instruction now is delivered online. Growth in dual enrollment, the high school population has jumped - 33% dual enrollment students. Not able to get ahead of someone who is not a high school student or recent high school student. 25 and older population is becoming harder to get.

Shared welcome back presentation strategies slide for 2022-2023  
Grow and support the workforce  
Develop culture of student support

**8. Discussion on IAC Structure**

**Information Only**

Dr. Dalpe - Explained the history of the Institutional Advisory Council or IAC. IAC was established as advisory to the president. It was set up in 2013 when they did an interim study of community colleges and were looking at ways to support community colleges. The Board or Regents recently changed the requirements of what the IAC looks like. It is a much lighter version, giving flexibility to the president to define what the IAC looks like in particular to the school. Meeting today is to get feedback on what has worked and what hasn't. Informal discussion with the group.

Renee Davis - The whole decision behind the revision making the IAC easier. The presidents have the flexibility to make it what the institution needs. What is needed to make a better model going forward. The proposals for the IAC will go to the Chancellor and cabinet at the end of December and then to the Board of Regents meeting in March for approval.

Dr Dalpe - Can you share your experience with the IAC?

Wendy Loomis - Tribes involvement is important and want to stay connected. When I joined a couple of years ago I thought there would be more involvement. Whatever projects you have and how we can support them and more input.

Michelle Joy - Been involved with IAC for a number of years. What does WNC need? Where are the opportunities to help to achieve goals? Specific topics where you can get input or advice from group and help build relationships in the community. Build community partnerships and how can we assist with that? Connection for growing the workforce and how can we partner on that? Is that this IAC form or a different way but this has been the vehicle in the past for that.

Dr Dalpe - Thank you, the second page of the document talks about the workforce advisory board. We should be doing that for the CTE programs such as nursing, paramedic, auto. High level with IAC then deeper level with the workforce advisory board.

Michelle Joy - Our Chief Nursing Officer with the clinical background to be involved.

Ricky Medina - Concur with previous comments. Focusing on some of the partnerships that we already have such as the Jump Start program which is a common interest for all groups here at the table. Important to WNC, important to K-12, important to community business partners to have access to employees that they will need in the future. I can contribute more.

Alan Jurkonis - What are we trying to do? Perhaps an orientation on what we are trying to accomplish for the year.

Jim Peckham - Understanding of what the goals are and how we can contribute to the goal would be helpful. I appreciate having the live version of these meetings and a community we can brainstorm things to accomplish. If we see something from the community side while visiting campus to bring new eyes to things that you may not be aware.

Dr. Dalpe - Meeting schedule, what I would like to propose is, a meeting to kick off the academic year and present the outline for the year. Individual meetings with each stakeholder and some Zoom meetings and a close out meeting at the end of the year. Agenda update, with standing items such as Dual Enrollment.

Wendy Loomis - You should also put it back on us. What if one or two of us each time have to bring something to the table, so the IAC has actionable items that can be worked on.

Michelle Joy - It doesn't sound like there is anything that would prevent you from calling an ad hoc IAC meeting throughout the year.

Dr Dalpe - Instead of meeting in September I would prefer to meet in April or May for the next year to get ahead of it. Question, Renee, when can we have a meeting under the new structure?

Renee Davis - Official first meeting after approval. In the interim you can meet but will be approved in March if you want to meet in April.

Dr. Dalpe - There are projects that we need help with. Would the group like to work on one large project a year rather than several smaller ones?

Alan Jurkonis - Anything in that direction would make the group more effective. If we try to do too much we do nothing.

Wendy Loomis - Agrees to work on one project and if others come up we can look at those also.

Dr. Dalpe - What about the membership? Are there any groups that we are missing?

Jim Peckham - Certificate programs possible electrical

Wendy Loomis - Hospitality

- 9. New Business** **Information Only**  
Vice Chair Richardson asked for new business and there was none.
- 10. Public Comment** **Information Only**  
Vice Chair Richardson asked for public comment.  
  
Dr. Dalpe - Thanked the group for attending the meeting and will continue to stay in touch.  
There will not be another IAC meeting scheduled until after the beginning of the year.
- 11. Adjourn** **Information Only**  
Vice Chair Richardson adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.