

OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, October 15, 2025, 6:00pm

Central County Campus

400 SE College Way, Newport, OR 97366

Meeting Link: <https://oregoncoast.zoom.us/j/93013090763>

Meeting ID: 930 1309 0763

A. Call to Order

B. Introduction

a. Board roll call

Chair Debbie Kilduff called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. In attendance: Chair Debbie Kilduff, Vice Chair Paul Schuytema, Chris Chandler, Rich Emery, Marion Mann, and Bud Shoemake. Patrick Alexander was excused.

b. President's Welcome

President Marshall Mease Roache welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged the presence of OCCC staff, Board members, and guests. Attendees were reminded that pursuant to State Public Meeting Laws, the meeting will be recorded and posted on the College website within 7 days of the meeting.

c. Approval of Business Meeting Minutes from September 17, 2025

Schuytema moved to approve the September 17, 2025, Business Meeting minutes. Chandler seconded. All voted in favor, Alexander was excused. **Motion Carried.**

d. Finalize Agenda

No Changes to the agenda.

C. Communications

a. Public Comment Opened

Public Comment was opened.

b. Written

No written communications received.

c. Public comment on agenda & non-agenda items (as received)

No public comment received on agenda items.

c. Closing Public Comment

Public comment was closed.

d. President's Response to Public Comment (if needed)

No response was given.

D. College Reports

a. OCATT & Renovations Project Update

Nancy Giggy, GO-Bond Project Managers from Integrity Management Solutions, provided an update on the OCATT Renovation project.

Topics covered:

- Design is 75% Complete.
- Phase 1 Construction (logging and site prep) has begun.
- Root Balls from Phase 1 are being transported for use by the local Watershed Council

- Summer “Fix-it” projects will be completed in November.
- Pictures consisted of exterior design and site preparation updates.

[OCCATT & Renovations Project Update](#)

b. President’s Report

President Roache summarized his attendance at events, professional development activities, collaborations, and community involvement on behalf of the College since September 17, 2025. The report also includes contributions from each Vice President’s area.

Topics Covered:

- OCCC Cares Event; every student enrolled at OCCC is called by a faculty or staff member.
- Visits to the ribbon cutting of the new dorms at Oregon State University’s Hatfield and Marine Science Center.
- The College has seen a 49.5% increase in student FTE over the start of last fall (2024); Class section increases with Nursing and welding; Dual Credit had a 50% increase in enrollments.
- Community education courses had over 625 seats registered in courses taught with Community Education; SBDC had an increase in enrollment in the Small Business Management course.
- Information Technology has protected the campus by blocking over 6000+ emails that were determined to be phishing attempts.

[President’s Report \(full\)](#)

c. Oregon Community Colleges Association Report

President Roache summarized the activities happening at the OCCA Summit and encouraged participation of the Board of Education Members.

President Roache also recognized the accomplishments of Dr. Bruce Clemetsen, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs. Dr. Clemetsen was selected as the Cam Preus Awardee, an award that is nominated and selected by all seventeen of Oregon’s Community College Presidents.

[OCCA Report \(full\)](#)

d. Clery, Safety & Deferred Maintenance

Chris Rogers, Director of Facilities & Safety, summarized the Clery Act, and reported zero reported activities on all categories of or near OCCC Property.

Topics of this presentation included:

- The Annual Safety Report
- Recent & In progress projects; painting of building exteriors, installation of new boiler systems in AQS building and repairing of leaks at North County Campus
- Highlights of projects coming up; Building Management System installation, new security management systems, and Completion of “fix-it” projects around all campuses.

[Annual Safety Report](#)

e. Draft Fiscal Year End Qtr. 4

Robin Gintner, Vice President of Administrative Services, presented the Draft Year-End Quarter 4 Financial Reports, showing strong performance in most funds.

[Draft Fiscal Year End Qtr. 4](#)

E. Information and Discussion Items

a. Board Annual Activity Schedule

President Roache presented the board with the Annual Activity Schedule starting in January of 2026. President Roache highlighted each area of the college, reporting in various months throughout the year. This item will be brought back to the board to be an action item in November.

b. Natural Resources Program Discussion

President Roache led a discussion on OCCC's exploration of a Natural Resources degree program. He provided reasons OCCC would like to investigate this topic further. These included:

- Businesses in Lincoln County are closely tied to natural resources.
- The Lincoln County School District already supports natural resources programming at the high school level.
- OCCC has strong existing relationships with the Yakona Nature Preserve.
- Oregon State University (OSU) has a nationally recognized Natural Resources program, offering a potential opportunity for a transfer pathway.

OCCC requested the Board's approval to further investigate the development of this program.

The college emphasized that the curriculum would align with OSU's existing program. Discussion took place on logistical, outreach, and community concerns. Partnerships were brought up that could be investigated eventually.

F. Board Reports

a. Other Board Reports

Chandler reported on the HECC allocation of Student Funds being used to build Data and Tech repositories that could be used in the future to better prepare Oregonians for manufacturing jobs.

G. Action Items

a. Approve update of the college Mission Statement to read: "At Oregon Coast Community College, we equip students for success by providing educational pathways and supports in response to the evolving needs of Lincoln County and beyond."

Chandler motioned to approve the update of the college Mission Statement to read: "At Oregon Coast Community College, we equip students for success by providing educational pathways and supports in response to the evolving needs of Lincoln County and beyond." Schuytema seconded. A vote was called. All voted in favor, Alexander was excused.

Motion Carried.

b. Approve the college investigating the establishment of an academic program in natural resources.

Chandler Moved to approve the college investigating the establishment of an academic program in natural resources. Schuytema seconded. A vote was called. All voted in favor, Alexander was excused. **Motion Carried.**

c. Approve changing BP 2210 – Board of Education Officers and Staff, to amend board policy regarding the election process of board officers.

Prior to the motion Mann requested clarity on BP 2210. Chandler stated that she believed the process was open and transparent.

Schuytema motioned to approve changing BP 2210 – Board of Education Officers and Staff, to amend board policy regarding the election process of board officers. Kilduff seconded. A vote was called. Mann voted in favor, Kilduff, Schuytema, Chandler, Shoemake, and Emery voted opposed, Alexander was excused. **Motion Failed.**

H. Announcements and future meetings

The next scheduled meeting of the OCCC Board of Education will be:

- November 19, 2025, at Central Campus, 400 SE College Way, Newport, Oregon 97366 & via Zoom

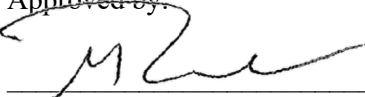
I. Adjournment

Kilduff adjourned the meeting at 7:07 PM

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Minutes submitted by: HR Coordinator, Haiden Wiggins

Approved by:



Dr. Marshall Mease Roache

Clerk of the Board