

**Salish Kootenai College Board of Directors
Board Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2025
SKC Campus
Eneas Big Knife Board Room**

Members Present: Eldena Bear Don't Walk, Chair of the Board (zoom); Jim Durglo, 1st Vice Chair; Vernon Finley, 2nd Vice Chair; Germaine White, Selina Kenmille, ArriAnna Matt

Members Absent: None

Other's Present: Michael Munson, President; Loni Grant, Board Recording Secretary

Meeting started with Prayer

Meeting Call to Order

Eldena Bear Don't Walk, Chair of the Board, called the SKC Board of Directors meeting to order.

Open for Groups and Individuals

None

Consent Agenda

Reports (included in packet) Questions and Comments

August 16, 2025 meeting minutes from previous

Academic Affairs Report

Business Affairs Report

Enrollment Management and Student Affairs Report

Human Resources Report

Information Technology (IT)

Institutional Advancement Report

Institutional Effectiveness Report

Motion by Jim Durglo to remove the policy actions (section 4) and leave out budget overview as amended. Second by Germaine White. Vote 5 for, 0 against, 1 abstention (Vernon Finley). Motion carried.

General Business

Follow up from previous meetings:

- a) 247.50 Supplemental Pay Policy – Revisit previously approved policy.
- b) 390.00 Grants Policy – previously tabled, update version.
- c) Revisit group commitments (Vernon Finley will make a submission to the board's commitment).

New Business

Proposed Transition to Semester System (SKQU) tabled for October.

Proposed Rebranding: Further research is required.

Request for Approval: \$25 Application Fee for 2026-27 Applications

President, Michael Munson, requested approval for a \$25 Application Fee for 2026-27 Applications.

Motion by Germaine White to amend the application fee from \$25 to \$30 Application Fee and a \$25 Re-apply for admission. 2nd by Selina Kenmille. Voting 5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (ArriAnna Matt). Motion carried.

President's Report

The Board's participation at InService was appreciated.

State Legislative update: state beneficiary is holding.

HiSet funding has been moved to DLI. It is holding steady.

1, 2, free has been offered to tribal colleges

- MSU – food sovereignty, native plant garden, native foods café (connect with Sean Sherman)

Inquiry was made to Michelle Mitchell CSKT Education regarding governments responsibility to tribes.

Updated materials need to be provided to CSKT Council members for when they visit DC.

A grants, contracts, and sustainability meeting was coordinated between all PI's and grant writers.

Tech Hub grant supports infrastructure/structural construction. Communication is lacking both internal and external. A marketing position and a marketing and communication team is currently in progress.

Creating an SKC Newsletter (monthly/quarterly) and an ad in the CharKoosta.


Request for the Board to consider adding tertiary colors to branding color scheme (bring to next board meeting).

Nursing wing naming tabled for October 17, 2025 meeting.

Board Meeting Adjourned.

Motion by Jim Durglo to adjourn. 2nd by Germaine White. Voting 6 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,



Yolanda M. Grant

SKC Board Recording Secretary