

**Salish Kootenai College Board of Directors  
Board Meeting Minutes  
April 17, 2026  
Big Knife Board Room**

Members Present: Eldena Bear Don't Walk, Chair of the Board; Janeal McDonald, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair; Vernon Finley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair; Jim Durglo (zoom, late departure), Selina Kenmille, Janeal McDonald, Elijah Cahoon, Arrianna Henry (late arrival)

Members Absent: Arrianna Henry (late arrival), Jim Durglo (late departure) and Loni Grant, Board Recording Secretary

Other's Present: Michael Munson, President (Recording minutes)

**Meeting Call to Order**

Eldena Bear Don't Walk, Chair of the Board, called the SKC Board of Directors meeting to order at 12:30pm.

**Consent Agenda**

Review and Approve the Meeting Agenda for April 17th, 2026. Consent agenda.

Motion by Janeal McDonald to approve the March 20, 2026 meeting minutes. Second by Selina Kenmille. Vote 7 for, 0 Against. Motion carried.

**Old Business – Updates**

Building Sustainable Pathways for Native and At-Risk Youth at SKC – Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation - Project Director position has closed, scheduling interviews. Dana Grant has been contracted and is beginning to do the Gaps Analysis for us.

Montana Rural Health Transformation Program – CSKT Tribal Health & Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) – Partnerships with CSKT Tribal Health & Montana TCUs - I am leading the Montana Tribal College Association (TCU Presidents) in gathering in Bozeman for facilitated discussions about partnerships this coming Thursday.

**Open for Groups and Individuals**

- Séliš Ksanka Qlispé University (SKQU) Rebranding – Cammie Dupuis-Pablo
- Transition to Semester System – Brittnee Benson
- Employee Roles & Responsibilities – Introduce Document for Feedback from Board – Brittnee Benson

**President's Report**

Consent Agenda – Quarterly Reports from Executive Council

1. Human Resources Monthly Report
2. Business Affairs – Finance & Business Monthly Report
3. Academic Affairs & Institutional Effectiveness – Accreditation & Quality Assurance
4. Enrollment Management & Student Affairs
5. Institutional Advancement

### **New Business**

Brady Martz Auditor Presentation (2:00 pm)

Annual Award Dinner & Honorary Degrees

- Who is presenting?

Determine Date for Awards Dinner

- Tuesday, June 2nd  
400 Horses, if they are open  
On campus & catered, would allow plus 1 for all

Distinguished Service Awards

- Germaine White
- Dorothy Berney

Motion by Janeal McDonald to approve Dorothy and Germaine. Second by Selina Kenmille. Vote 6 for, 0 Against. 1 Absent (Jim Durglo). Motion carried.

- Arleen Adams

Motion by Elijah Cahoon to amend the last motion by adding Arlene to the Distinguished Service Award. Second by Vernon Finley. Vote 6 for, 0 Against, 1 Absent (Jim Durglo). Motion carried.

Honorary Degrees

- Clark Matt
- Francine (Granny Franny) Antoine
- Allen Pierre
- Gene Beaverhead

Motion by Arrianna Henry to approve the honorary degrees. Second by Janeal McDonald. Vote 6 for, 0 Against, 1 Absent (Jim Durglo). Motion carried.

**Parking Lot** (for items that we are holding onto but are not currently actionable)

- Michael's Evaluation - Due May 31, 2026, per Board By Laws
- Campus Facilities Tour – Hold for May  
Student Housing  
Classroom Building & Cafeteria
- Employee Rolls & Responsibilities – Guiding Principles – Move to Strategic Planning in August

### **Key Dates & Events**

May 1st – SKC Stickgame Tournament

May 15th & 16th – Graduation Pow Wow

May 21st – Women 4 Wellness

May 31st – President's Evaluation due from Board

June 2nd – Awards Dinner

June 6th – Graduation

June 8th – SKC moves to 4, 10s  
June 15th – First Day of Summer Quarter  
\* Loni sends the SKC Events list every Tuesday.

**Upcoming Meetings**

May 15th

June 12th

July 10th

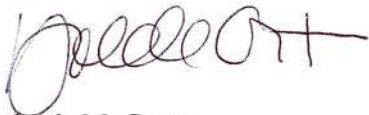
August 7th (& 8th) – Annual Report from Encompass & Annual Strategic Planning?

**Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm**

Motion by Arrianna Henry to adjourn and move into Executive Session. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Janeal McDonald. Vote 6 for, 0 Against, 1 Absent (Jim Durglo). Motion carried.

**Executive Session**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yolanda M. Grant', written in a cursive style.

Yolanda M. Grant  
SKC Board Recording Secretary

