College of Eastern Idaho Board of Trustees Finance Committee Meeting Minutes January 10th, 2019 – 3:30 PM

Present:

Carrie Scheid, Board of Trustees Treasurer, Chair Ken Taylor Aaron Johnson Byron Miles, ex-officio

Absent:

Mary Lynn Hartwell Bob Johnson Kevin King

Guests:

Don Bourne Dustin Nielson Malcolm Guess Sean Colletti

1. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- a. M/S Taylor/A. Johnson to approve the January meeting agenda. Motion passes unanimously.
- b. M/S A. Johnson/Taylor to approve the December minutes. *Motion passes unanimously.*

2. Role in Investment & Pension Plan

- a. Research is still being done in regards to what other schools are doing and what CEI would like to model their investing from.
- b. Tabled until next meeting.

3. Review of Finance Committee Charter

- a. The Committee reviewed the Charter about revisions they would like made with Colletti.
- b. Discussion of changes to be made of specific roles and responsibilities that better suit the Committee.
- c. Colletti made note of all the revisions the Committee would like made and the Charter will be revised and updated for the next meeting.

4. Review of November Financials, Cash Balance, Other

- a. The committee reviewed the November Financial Statement and found it satisfactory regarding progress in revenues and expenditures.
- b. Discussion of budgeted versus the actual expenditures.
- c. Discussion of changes made to the design of the format of Financials; further discussion on different layouts for Financials.
- d. **M/S Taylor/A. Johnson to approve the presentation of November Financials to the Board.** *Motion passes unanimously.*

5. FY2019 Audit Proposals

- a. Received five (5) bid proposals from the RFP that was sent out for the new auditors.
- b. Discussion about the different firm's proposals, the point/ranking system of the review committee, and the overall decision on the new auditors.
- c. M/S Taylor/A. Johnson to recommend to the Board the selected audit company, WipFli LLC., for a one (1) year contract. *Motion passes unanimously.*

6. Benchmark for Reserves

- a. Discussion on how the reserves should be budgeted.
- b. The Board would like a maintenance/facilities reserve.
- c. Discussion on how to add to the future budgets to include reserves and plans on how to roll over money at year end.
- d. M/S Taylor/A. Johnson to recommend to the Board to make reserve funds; 4 million as 'Board/Emergency' funds and 2 million as Building Facilities funds. *Motion passes unanimously.*

7. Governor's Budget Recommendation

- a. Discussion of changes the Governor made to the budget. Further discussion on differences of the models and the recommendations that were made by the Governor.
- b. Discussion on different possible revenue sources for the college.

8. Progress Report on Major Capital Improvement Projects

a. The Department of Public Works (DPW) has committed money for the preliminary items that we have asked for; CEI will be receiving funds to fix the roof of building 2.

9. Systems Cutover Update

a. Miles and Bourne gave a brief update on the purchase of seven reports from Synoptix. Will be meeting with Synoptix to receive updates on the progress.

The meeting concluded at 5:08PM – The next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 7th at 3:30 PM in CEI Room 331.