



## SEWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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### SCCC board publishes 2018 budget

#### *Efficiency and planning allow college to prepare for the future*

The Seward County Community College board of trustees approved the publication of the 2017-2018 budget, with the proposed budget authority totaling \$36,924,721 for expenditures and transfers, while keeping the mill levy the same at 37.039.

Increases are projected in personnel compensation and general inflation. Vice President of Finance and Operations Dennis Sander told the board the budget includes an increase in revenue from tuition and fees to help offset the additional expenditures.

Reflecting on the previous year's budget, the College was able to use funds efficiently and stay within the expected constraints for the year while looking ahead and preparing accordingly. The College plans to continue this trend with the 2017-2018 budget.

With a motion by trustee Dustin Ormiston and a second by vice-chair Marvin Chance Jr., the board voted 6/0 to approve the release of the budget. Detailed documents are on view at the SCCC library for public to access. The budget is slated for hearing and adoption during the Aug. 7 board meeting.

In other business, the board handled a full agenda:

- Executive Director of Alumni Engagement and Grant Development Charity Horinek presented information on grant development material that will be provided to the College's faculty, staff, and administrators. In addition, an update was provided on various grants and external funding opportunities that will be pursued by the Grant Development Office.

- Interim Director of Athletics Roy Allen presented information regarding personnel, renovations, and discussions surrounding potential new sports opportunities. The department is looking forward to building a positive culture, both on and off the court, and is appreciative of the many updates that are taking place to enhance the fan experience; including a new sound system in the Greenhouse and LED scoring tables.

- Trustees voted to appoint officers and committee appointments for the coming year: chair Ron Oliver, vice-chair Marvin Chance Jr., clerk Dr. Ken Trzaska, treasurer Tina Call, assistant treasurer Mike Brond; ACCT delegates John Engle, Seward County Council of Governments representative Ron Oliver and appointment of Sander as the compliance officer for Title VI, Title IX, and Section 504 compliance.

- The board voted to accept a proposal from CBS Manhattan, LLC for \$47,046.05 for the installation of a secure door access control system for the main entrance doors to residence halls across campus.

- The board authorized employment of attorneys from Sharp McQueen as the College's legal counsel. Base retainer is \$1,875 and hourly fees range from \$200 to \$225 per hour for attorneys in the practice.

- The board designated the High Plains Daily Leader & Times as the College's legal publication, meeting the statutory requirements of the state of Kansas.

- The board voted to accept an audit proposal from Byron Bird and Associates of Liberal, not to exceed \$30,800, to perform the fiscal 2017 independent audit.

Members of the administrative team presented their reports outlining preparation for the arrival and orientation of Presidential Scholars on campus, welcome week activities, and the continuation of researching and assessing various course delivery options to best fit student needs and success.

The board of trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 7 in the Hubble Academic Building board room for the regular monthly session. Individuals who wish to read minutes from the July board of trustees meeting can do so online after the August agenda has been published or by visiting the SCCC Library to view a paper copy.