The Trustees for Adams State College convened a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 27, 2007 on the campus of Adams State College, Student Union Building, rooms 130/127.

I. The meeting was called to order at 9:18am.

II. Roll Call

Board of Trustees

Trustee Bachicha – Excused
Trustee Cavanaugh – Present
Trustee Lamm – Present
Trustee Reeser – Excused
Trustee Salazar – Present

Trustee Saltzman – Present
Trustee Scoggin – Present
Chairman Tim Walters – Present
Faculty Trustee Nehring – Present
Student Trustee Ezra Watland – Present

ASC Staff, Students and Others

Deb Blake – Teacher Education Department
Georgia Grantham – Enrollment Management
Hew Hallock – Valley Courier
Josh Hill – AS&F
Heather Heersink – Budget Office
Bill Mansheim – Finance & Administration
Ken Marquez – Student Affairs
Teri McCartney – Graduate School
Ted McNeilsmith – Sociology
Frank Novotny – Academic Affairs

Raechelle Phillips – AS&F
Tracy Rogers – Human Resources
Phil Schroeder – Financial Aid
Sandra Starnaman – Extended Campus
David Svaldi – Office of the President
Steven Sowards – AS&F
James Trujillo – Office of the President
Mary Valerio – Teacher Education Department
Julie Waechter – Communications
Nancy Wahl – Attorney General’s Office

III. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments: Agenda item VII-A will be moved to Action item IV-D. Agenda item Action IV-C will be moved to Agenda item VII-A. Trustee Saltzman moved the motion with Trustee Cavanaugh seconding. The motion was approved unanimously.
IV. Action Items

A. Approval of Minutes from the December 15, 2006 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2006 Board of Trustees meeting as submitted. Trustee Scoggin moved to approve the minutes. Trustee Salazar seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Marvel House Update

President Svaldi asked for the Board to approve the Budget Committee’s recommendation to expend $426,500, ($150,00 from the President’s Discretionary Account, and $276,500 from reserves), toward the renovation of the Marvel House. Trustee Cavanaugh moved that the Board approve the budget of $426,500 toward the renovation of the Marvel House, subject to further approval from the Board if the bid exceeds $426,500. Trustee Saltzman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Second Reading and Adoption of the Anti-Discrimination Policy and Grievance Procedure

Nancy Wahl from the Attorney General’s Office, presented the second draft of the proposed Adams State College Anti-discrimination Policy and Grievance Procedure. The purpose of the proposed policy is to ensure the institution has a policy that complies with state and federal requirements for reporting, investigating, and handling discrimination allegations. The policy will be incorporated into all Board-approved handbooks, policy manuals, and student handbooks campus-wide.

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve the Adams State College Anti-discrimination Policy and Grievance Procedure as presented. Trustee Lamm moved the motion with Trustee Salazar seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Honorary Degree

President Svaldi addressed the Board with a proposal to award former Senator Lewis H. Entz with an honorary doctorate in “State and Local Government” to be conferred at the Spring 2007 commencement ceremony. The board briefly discussed the proposal and expressed their admiration for Mr. Entz and for all that he has done for the betterment of the College and the Valley as a whole.

Chairman Walters called for a motion to award an honorary doctorate to Lewis H. Entz in “State and Local Government” at the Spring 2007 commencement ceremony. The motion passed by consent.

V. Information Items

A. Retentions/Promotions

President Svaldi presented a list of individuals that were recently retained and promoted.
B. President’s Report

Dr. Svaldi gave a brief President’s Report to the Board. Some items discussed were the legislation that is being proposed by Senator Gail Schwartz asking for a planning approach for a “SLV for Health Careers” cooperative effort between Adams State College, Trinidad State Junior College, San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center, and Valley-wide Health; pros and cons students have regarding the campus and community; the proposed increase in the student technology fee to help support campus-wide wireless and improvements to the college radio station and newspaper; the recent agreement with the ASC Foundation regarding the Vice President of Development; a recent awarding of agriculture-related scholarships from the National Western Foundation; a new cooperative emphasis in “Health Care Administration” between the School of Business, ASC Extended Campus, and Trinidad State Junior College with over 40 students enrolled; approval was granted to ASC to offer a Masters in Humanities degree and a Masters in HPPE degree.

C. Tuition and Fees Discussion

Bill Mansheim briefed the Board regarding a proposed increase in student fees. An increase in student technology fees is being considered to strengthen the institution’s network infrastructure and provide a funding stream for various upgrades/maintenance for the network. The additional funding will also allow for a campus-wide wireless network to be installed and an ASC Media Center which will incorporate the institutions radio station and newspaper.

Figure setting will take place March 7, 2007. It’s anticipated that the institution will receive over one million dollars in state support which should cover mandated costs. Tuition remains at a 5% increase with a request submitted to close the credit hour window from 11 to 12.

D. Clarification of Trustee Scholarship

Phil Schroeder addressed the Board regarding the Trustee Scholarship. He requested that the scholarship be awarded prior the beginning of the semester in order to accurately package the student financial aid award to include the scholarship.

E. First Reading of the Adams State College Professional Personnel Manual

Nancy Wahl from the Attorney General’s Office, presented the first draft of the proposed Adams State College Professional Personnel Manual for the Board’s consideration. It will be readdressed at a future meeting for Board approval.

F. Public Safety Update

Ken Marquez gave a brief update regarding the Department of Public Safety. A new administrative assistant, Andrea Martinez, has been hired and has started her duties. The process for hiring a Director of Public Safety is in their final stages with on-campus interviews scheduled for the finalists.
G. Meeting Schedule/Conflicts

The Board briefly discussed holding the April board meeting in the Denver area due to transportation issues with the state airplane. All agreed it would provide an opportunity to invite various legislators to a social and get to know new members.

VI. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VII. Executive Session

Chairman Walters called for a motion to convene in executive session pursuant to section §24-6-402(3)(a)(II) C.R.S. to meet with the Board’s attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, and to confer on pending or imminent court action and/or pursuant to §24-6-402(3)(b)(I) C.R.S., to discuss personnel matters, and/or §24-6-402(3)(a)(VIII) C.R.S., for consideration of nominations for the awarding of honorary degrees. Trustee Cavanaugh moved the motion. Trustee Saltzman seconded. The Board convened in executive session and the public was excused.

Open Session Reconvenes

VIII. Discussion and Possible Action

A. Tenure/Sabbaticals/Emeritus Approval

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve Tenure for Aaron Abeyta, Robert Demski, Kurt Keiser, and Donna Stout. Trustees Salazar moved the motion. Trustee Cavanaugh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve the recommendation to confer the status of “Emeritus Professor of History” to Dr. John McDaniel. Trustee Lamm moved the motion with Trustee Cavanaugh seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Walters called for a motion to approve Sabbatical leave for Alberta Coolbaugh, Stuart Hilwig, Christine Keitges, and Rafe Weston. Trustee Scoggin moved the motion for approval with the exception of granting leave to Rafe Weston, pending additional support materials as to the nature and the intended outcome, as outlined in the ASC Faculty Handbook. Trustee Lamm seconded. The motion passed with Trustee Saltzman abstaining from the vote.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairman Walters called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Saltzman moved. Trustee Lamm seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 12:05pm.