

SPECIAL MEETING
GRAYS HARBOR COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 15, 2020 4:00 p.m.
Zoom Link

Members Present: Dr. Paula Akerlund, Ms. Astrid Aveledo, Mr. Art Blauvelt,

payment. He added that we expect \$600,000 from the federal government to assist students affected by the virus. These funds could be used to help many of those students. Ms. Portmann asked if we have the resources to address the MOU. Mr. Boakye responded that because of having funding to assist students who are not able to pay because of COVID-19 related issues, and Running Start enrollment being higher than expected we have the necessary revenue to cover the additional expenses. Ms. Portmann asked what the dollar amount of the MOU totals. Mr. Jones responded \$86,540.00.

Ms. Aveledo asked if we have enough detail about the CARES program and what it will look like for the college. Dr. Alt said half of the allotment is for students. Applications for emergency funding are available for students today. Ms. Aveledo asked if we have students who have never taken an on-line course do we have support to help them. Dr. Alt said students are being contacted to inform them of resources available to them. The same information is also available on the college website.

Dr. Carthum asked if we have any idea how many of our students do not have internet access. Dr. Alt said she does not have an accurate count. Chrome books are available for students that addresses the hardware issue but not all students have access to wi-fi. We are offering cell phone cards to enable them to increase their data plan. There will also be wi-fi available in the Schermer parking lot. Dr. Carthum asked if any faculty have a need for internet access. Mr. Winsor said some faculty only have internet on their cell phone. They are hoping to be able to come to campus and use their office for internet needs.

Ms. Portmann stated she appreciates we have an existing contract in place that precedes additional compensation. Additional compensation in other industries is hazard pay for

