

**Open Forum Proposed Soccer Project
January 29, 2016
Wilsonville Campus Room # 209
Video-conference to Mt. Thielsen Room, Klamath Falls, Oregon**

Open forum began at 4:04 pm

Introduction
Di Saunders

displaced and potentially moved to Moore Park. There are intercollegiate athletics which are athletics designated by the institution and recognized by the NAIA and the Cascade Collegiate Conference. Intercollegiate athletes are highly recruited athletes and are part of a funding program within the conference. Rugby is an extramural sport meaning that it does compete against teams outside of the institution but it is not at the same level as intercollegiate sports. Extramural sports do not provide scholarships, the seasons run shorter, and the academic standards between extramural and intercollegiate athletics are also significantly different.

2. Faculty member: For those that may not be familiar with the way the project is being funded, the bonds are not found money, correct? This is money that has to be repaid?

Mike Schell: The bond funding is coming from the state and it has to be repaid. The first payment is estimated at \$90,000 and then payment for the remaining 19 years will be at \$131,000 which includes principal and interest.

3. Faculty member:

borrow such a large amount of money knowing that we will have additional costs down the line. I just feel like we have not done an adequate job of showing our stakeholders where the money is coming from, how we are going to pay it back, and how we can justify taking on additional debt

6. Faculty member: What is the process for moving future projects forward for approval?

Di Saunders: The Executive Staff is working on a process that includes transparency and an opportunity for input to be gathered before taking to the board for approval.

Student: These players deserve the support of their campus community. Klamath Falls does have a very strong soccer culture. Steen Park is beginning to outgrow our facility, this project will help Oregon Tech, it will help Steen Park and the community to grow soccer in the entire community and bring in more events and campus exposure. Purvine will not be an empty field as it is now but it will be a field full of people.

7. Faculty member: Were there multiple proposals received for the combined soccer project?

Mike Schell: Oregon Tech received 4 proposals for the combined soccer and track field project. The lowest bid was significantly higher than the funds we had available so it was prudent of the institution to suspend the project at the point and look for alternative scoping.

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to do to show that we can afford taking on more debt service. It does not mean that it is not true and does not mean that it is not the right thing to do, it is just that in a vacuum all we can do is be critical and believe the worst. We does make sense to develop our culture but it we need to know how we are going to pay for this.

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President Maples asked Mike Schell to provide a copy of the pro forma for campus review. It was agreed that a copy will be made available to faculty and staff prior to the board meeting.

9. Soccer player: Are there going to be measures put in place to maintain the field and prevent students from walking across the field, spitting out the

Di Saunders announced the next forum will take place on Monday, February 1 at 5pm in the Mt. Mazama Room of the College Union in Klamath Falls.

Forum adjourned: 5:01 pm