# MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

February 7, 2006

Call to Order A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Center

Community College District was called to order by President Les Thonesen at 4:30 p.m., February 7, 2006, at the District Office

Boardroom, 1525 E. Weldon Avenue, Fresno, CA.

Trustees Present Leslie W. Thonesen, President

Dorothy Smith, Secretary

H. Ronald Feaver Phillip J. Forhan Patrick E. Patterson William J. Smith

Zyanya Bejarano, Student Trustee, Fresno City College LaShanda Mack, Student Trustee, Reedley College

Trustees Absent Isabel Barreras, Vice President

Also present were:

Tom Crow, Chancellor, SCCCD

Barbara Hioco, President, Reedley College Ned Doffoney, President, Fresno City College Terry Kershaw, Vice Chancellor-North Centers

Doug Brinkley, Vice Chancellor-Finance and Administration, SCCCD

Felix Aquino, Vice Chancellor-Educational Services and Planning, SCCCD

Randy Rowe, Associate Vice Chancellor-Human Resources, SCCCD

Introduction of Guests Among the others present, the following signed the guest list:

Jan Krueger, Executive Secretary to the Chancellor, SCCCD Donna Baker Geidner, CSEA Vice President and Staff, RC

Ernie Garcia, College Activities, FCC

Patrick Stumpf, Associated Student Government, FCC

Maggie Taylor, Academic Senate Past President, and Instructor, FCC

Cris Monahan Bremer, Director of Marketing and Communications, FCC

Michael Guerra, College Business Manager, FCC

Wil Schofield, Accounting Supervisor, RC

Gene Blackwelder, College Business Manager, RC

Robert Fox, Dean of Students, FCC

Monica Cuevas, Interim Associate Dean, FCC

Enrique Jauregui, College Relations Coordinator, FCC

Chris Cortes, Director of Financial Aid, RC

## Introduction of Guests (continued)

Deborah Ikeda, Dean of Instruction and Student Services, NC

Kimberly Perry, Dean of Instruction, RC

Richard Santos, Academic Senate President-Elect, and Instructor, FCC

Brian Olowude, Psychological Services Center Coordinator, FCC

Mary Ann Valentino, Instructor, FCC

Elizabeth Gamboa, Student, Associated Student Body, RC

Veronica Zuniga, Student, Associated Student Body, RC

Linda Albright, Health Services Coordinator, FCC

Jennifer Brennan, College Nurse, FCC

John Cummings, District Dean of Admissions and Records, DO

George Pisching, Graphics Artist, FCC

Don Lopez, Director of Technology, FCC

Joan Edwards, Executive Director-SCCC Foundation, SCCCD

Linda Nies, Classified Senate President and Staff, RC

Cindy Dunn, Talent Search Coordinator, FCC

Ron Nishinaka, Academic Senate President and Instructor, RC

Brian Speece, Associate Vice Chancellor-Business and

Operations, SCCCD

Eileen O'Hare, General Counsel, SCCCD

Lisa Maciel, CSEA President and Staff, RC

Paul Kaser, Instructor, RC

Teresa Patterson, Executive Director-Public and Legislative Relations, SCCCD

Zwi Reznik, SCFT President and Instructor, FCC

Lacy Barnes, SCFT Chief Negotiator, and Instructor, RC

Paul Cuesy, Classified Senate President, FCC

#### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Board meeting of January 10, 2006, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Feaver and seconded by Ms. Smith to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2006, meeting as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

## Delegations, Petitions, and Communications

Mr. Zwi Reznik, SCFT President, presented the full-time faculty initial bargaining proposal to Mr. Randy Rowe. He introduced Ms. Lacy Barnes, Reedley College instructor, who is the SCFT Chief Negotiator.

#### Chancellor's Report

Dr. Crow reported the following:

During the month of February, activities celebrating Black
History month are being held throughout the District. In
addition to the campus and center activities, several
distinguished persons will be honored during the State Center
Community College District Wall of Honor Ceremony. The

## Chancellor's Report (continued)

- ceremony will take place Monday, February 27, at 6 p.m. at the African American Historical and Cultural Museum. The District is pleased to partner with the African American Museum in recognizing the deserving recipients. The winners for this year will be announced soon.
- The Governor's preliminary budget looks especially favorable for community colleges this year. More specifically, SCCCD will benefit from the equalization dollars the Governor has set aside for the 57 under-funded districts throughout the state, and SCCCD will be campaigning heavily through targeted efforts with legislators for the fair share of these funds.
- The Second Annual Renaissance Feast for Scholars to benefit the State Center Community College Foundation will be held on Saturday, March 11, at 6 p.m. in the historic Fresno City College Library. Last year's event was a huge success as evidenced, not only by the turnout, but also by the dollars raised for student scholarships. This year's feast promises to be another sellout and will no doubt exceed the \$74,000 raised last year. Costumes are optional, but Dr. Crow stated that he has been "warned" that tights may be in order for him in the event a \$20,000 sponsor steps forward.

### Campus Reports

Dr. Doffoney reported the following from Fresno City College:

- Highlights of Black History Month events at Fresno City
  College include the Selma March Exhibition, showcasing the
  work of photo journalist Matt Herron; a performance by the
  Dallas Black Dance Theatre at the Tower Theatre on
  February 7; and, the Langston Hughes Project, Ask Your
  Mama: Twelve Moods for Jazz, a multi-media concert
  scheduled for February 10.
- The theatre production of *Canyon Suite* will compete at Southern Utah University, in the Region VIII American College Theatre Festival on February 13-18. The play was written by Theater Instructor Chuck Erven.
- The Cash for College workshops will be held February 11 at the Fresno City College cafeteria.
- Adjunct instructor Doug Barnard, who teaches air conditioning, is the winner of Comfortech 2005, a competition of technicians certified by NATE, North American Technician Excellence, Inc.

Dr. Hioco reported the following from Reedley College:

- Black History Month activities include guest speaker Quinton Hosley, CSUF Bulldog basketball player, February 21; and performance by the Tranquility Gospel Singers, February 24.
- Cash for College workshops on February 11, 24 and March 1; Juan Arambula will address attendees at the February 24 workshop.

## Campus Reports (continued)

- Kaleidoscope, the Reedley College open house, is scheduled for March 29 from 9 a.m. 2 p.m. Miss California, Dustin-Leigh Konzelman, will speak on the importance of education.
- Reedley College Mechanized Agriculture students participated in training activities alongside industry technicians from AGCO Farm Equipment Company. The company sent 60 of its technicians from four western states to this training, held from January 16-20.
- On February 1, Head Coach Michael White hosted fourteen players from the Reedley College "Four-Peat" Valley Conference Champion Tigers for a signing of letters of intent to play for four-year colleges and universities.

#### Dr. Kershaw reported the following from the North Centers:

- Recognition and congratulations were given to Madera Center lead counselor Phil Gonzales and the Madera Center instructors for their contributions to the success of the MCCAP project. The program received one of only three Outstanding Program Awards from the Statewide Academic Senate and Chancellor's Office of California Community Colleges.
- A MCCAP orientation for Madera High and Liberty High students and their parents was held January 18 at the Madera Center. The Madera Center College Advantage Program has 50 high school seniors taking college classes at the center.
- The Executive Director of the California School Boards
   Association presented an overview of county program budgets
   and community college funding at the January 31 Madera
   County School Boards Association.
- Madera student Adriana Mendoza was selected for an internship position in U. S. Representative George Radanovich's field office.
- African American History Month activities include displays
  of posters, books, art, and historical documents of and by
  African American pioneers, artists, and heroes; a "Read-In"
  hosted by the English Department Faculty at the Madera
  Center is scheduled for February 6.
- Scholarship/Financial Aid workshops are taking place on February 8 at the Madera Center, and February 15 at the Clovis Center.
- The Madera County Farm Bureau Annual Water Conference is scheduled at the Madera Center on February 9.
- A Soul Food Luncheon and Mardi Gras Celebration are scheduled for the Madera Center on February 28.

### Academic Senate Report

Mr. Ron Nishinaka, President of the Reedley College Academic Senate, reported the following:

- He reflected on the impact that significant figures in the African American community have had on the development of the United States.
- Acknowledged the Governor's budget plan recently submitted to the Legislature.
- Highlighted the dedication of the Academic Senate Awards Recognition Exhibit on January 5. The Exhibit is located in the Reedley College Library, new addition. The two Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges Awards that are displayed in the library are the Hayward Award for Excellence in Education and the Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award. The Hayward Award nominee this year is Reedley College English Instructor Paul Kaser. The Stanback-Stroud Award nominee is Reedley College Counselor Javier Renteria. Plaques for ten other previous nominees since 2001, from both Reedley College and the North Centers, are now displayed in the exhibit. On behalf of the Academic Senate and faculty, Mr. Nishinaka thanked President Barbara Hioco and former interim Reedley College president, Tony Cantu, for their support in establishing the Awards Recognition Exhibit, and he also thanked the Board for their support and dedication. Mr. Nishinaka introduced Mr. Paul Kaser who expressed his appreciation for the nomination and spoke about the significance and value of the awards as part of the institutional memory.

### Classified Senate Report

Ms. Paula Cuesy, Fresno City College Classified Senate President, reported the following:

- Approved using an on-line survey to gather data for the November 2006 Classified Staff Development Day.
- Continued discussion on a strategic work plan for the Classified Senate for the next two years. A primary emphasis of this project is the development and recommendation of a shared governance model. As part of strategic planning, Classified Senate members each selected one of five primary objectives to research and to recommend a strategy for accomplishing the objective.
- Submitted names of Classified Senate representatives to serve on the Technology Advisory Committee.
- The Classified Senate will participate in the Renaissance Faire on March 11 and 12 at Fresno City College.

#### Accreditation

Dr. Barbara Hioco, President of Reedley College, reported on the Reedley College, Fall 2005, final accreditation report. The report included a summary of the final 2005 report, response to previous recommendations from the 2000 visit, commendations from 2005 team, recommendations from the 2005 team, action by the Accrediting Commission, and the Reedley College and North Center action plans to respond to the recommendations. The Commission reaffirmed accreditation for 2006-2011. The college must submit a progress report by October 15, 2006, followed by a visit of Commission representatives. The midterm report is due October 15, 2008, and the next comprehensive visit is Fall 2011.

Dr. Ned Doffoney, President of Fresno City College, reported on the Fresno City College accreditation report from the 2005 visiting team. He reviewed the three overarching recommendations from the 2000 accreditation visit, and listed the commendations followed by the recommendations and the college's action plan to meet the recommendations. Fresno City College has been issued a warning and must correct the deficiencies identified in the report. The college is required to complete a progress report by October 15, 2006, followed by a visit of Commission representatives.

Mr. Thonesen stated he is very concerned because this is the first time we have been issued a warning from the Accrediting Commission. He stressed the importance of the corrective action that must be taken.

Mr. Patterson said he would like some specificity on just what the problems are. There were issues in the 2000 evaluation and now we are in the same spot. He stated he wants it resolved and does not want our college to be compared with others in trouble in the state.

Ms. Smith said she did not want to see this either and asked that this subject be placed on the Board retreat agenda. She said that progress reports are needed because this matter is of foremost importance to the District and close attention must be given to it.

Dr. Doffoney extended an invitation to the Board to attend a college meeting February 8, which will engage the entire college in the efforts needed to make the corrects.

Strategic Plan Progress Report Dr. Felix Aquino, Vice Chancellor of Education and Planning, gave an update on the SCCCD Strategic Plan.

Mr. Patterson asked if this strategic plan is one of the accreditation issues. Ms. Bejarano asked about the core values.

Strategic Plan Progress Report (continued) Ms. Smith said that she is always concerned about diversity and that it was an important matter to her. What do we mean by embracing, and then do not see any positive action. How do we make these words become real? Mr. Patterson said we have an obligation to do what the law says. He suggested writing grants for minority programs. Mr. Smith asked about the minority intern program that was implemented years ago to mentor minorities and disadvantaged to be teachers and asked to hear more about that program at some point in time. Mr. Thonesen asked Dr. Crow to bring back information for the Board on this topic.

### Consent Agenda Action

It was moved by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Patterson that the Board of Trustees approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

Employment, Transfer, and Retirement, Academic Personnel [06-04HR]
<a href="Action">Action</a>

approve the academic personnel recommendations, Items A through C, as presented. (Lists A through C are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix I, 06-04HR).

Employment, Promotion, Change of Status, Resignation, and Retirement, Classified Personnel [06-05HR] Action

approve classified personnel recommendations, Items A through G, as presented. (Lists A through G are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix II, 06-05HR).

Consideration to
Approve Revised
Duties and
Responsibilities for
Instructional
Technician –
Automotive
Classification, Fresno
City College
[06-06HR]

Action

approve the revised duties and responsibilities for the Instructional Technician – Automotive Classification

Consideration to Approve New Classification Specification for Shipping and Receiving Specialist, Bookstore [06-07HR] Action

approve the new classification specification for Shipping and Receiving Specialist, Bookstore.

Review of District Warrants and Checks [06-15G] <u>Action</u> review and sign the warrants register for the period December 20, 2005, to January 31, 2006, in the amount of \$18,193,543.34.

review and sign the check registers for the Fresno City College and Reedley College Co-Curricular Accounts and the Fresno City College and Reedley College Bookstore Accounts for the period December 16, 2005, to January 27, 2006, in the amount of \$2,592,600.57.

Consideration to
Accept Construction
Project, Distribution
Panel Replacement,
Ratcliffe Stadium,
Fresno City College
[06-16G]
Action

a) accept the project for Distribution Panel Replacement, Ratcliffe Stadium, Fresno City College, and

b) authorize the Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

Financial Analyses of Enterprise and Special Revenue Operations [06-17G] No Action

Provided as information only. No action required.

Budget Transfers and Adjustments Report [06-18G] No Action

Provided as an informational report to the Board, representing the changes in the budget and expenditure categories during the past quarter. No formal action required of the Board.

Consideration to Authorize Sale of Surplus Property, Reedley College. [06-19G] Action

Authorize disposal of District surplus property by auction.

Consideration to Approve Resolution to Renew Application for Federal Surplus Property Program, Districtwide. [06-20G] Action Authorize the filing of a Resolution naming the following staff members to sign warehouse issue sheets for acquisition of federal surplus property from the California State Agency for Surplus Property:

<u>District Office</u> - Doug Brinkley, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration; and Brian Speece, Associate Vice Chancellor, Business and Operations

<u>Fresno City College</u> - Michael Guerra, College Business Manager <u>Reedley College</u> - Gene Blackwelder, College Business Manager <u>North Centers</u> - Janell Mendoza, Associate College Business Manager

Consideration to Authorize Agreement with The California Endowment for Nursing Student Retention and Career Development, Fresno City College [06-21G] Action

- a) authorize the District, on behalf of Fresno City College, to enter into an Agreement with The California Endowment to increase the retention of underrepresented minority nursing students, with funding in the amount of \$325,596 for the period January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2007,
- b) authorize renewal of the Agreement with similar terms and conditions, and
- c) authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign the Agreement on behalf of the District.

Consideration to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the California Department of Education for the Tech Prep Resource Clearinghouse Library, State Center Consortium [06-22G] Action

- a) adopt a Resolution authorizing the District, on behalf of the State Center Consortium, to enter into an Agreement with the California Department of Education for the period November 1, 2005, through October 31, 2006, with funding in the amount of \$200,000, to build upon and expand the Tech Prep Resource Clearinghouse Library, and
- b) authorize the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign the Agreement on behalf of the District.

Consideration to
Authorize Agreement
with California
Department of
Education for Child
Development Center
Instructional Materials
and Supplies,
Districtwide
[06-23G]
Action

- a) adopt a Resolution authorizing the District to enter into an Agreement with the California Department of Education in the amount of \$567 for the period July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006, to purchase instructional materials and supplies for the Child Development Centers at Fresno City College, Reedley College, and the Madera Center, and
- b) authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign the Agreement on behalf of the District.

Consideration of Bids,

Swine Unit Rehabilitation, Reedley College [06-24G] Action award Bid #0506-14 in the amount of \$35,485.00 to DL Construction, the lowest responsible bidder for the Swine Unit Rehabilitation at Reedley College, and authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign an Agreement on behalf of the District.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*End of Consent Agenda\*\*\*\*\*\*

Public Hearing and Appointment of Board's Nominee to the Personnel Commission [06-03] Mr. Rowe presented the qualifications and experience of Mr. Ron Manfredi to serve as the Board's nominee to the Personnel Commission.

Mr. Thonesen opened the Public Hearing at 5:49 p.m. There being no comments from the public, the hearing was closed at 5:50 p.m.

Action

Mr. Smith moved to appoint Mr. Ron Manfredi as the Board's nominee to the Personnel Commission. Mr. Feaver seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

Nomination of Candidate for CCCT Board [06-04] Action The motion was made by Mr. Smith and second by Mr. Feaver to nominate Isabel Barreras as a candidate for the California Community College Trustees Board for the election which takes place from March 10, 2006, to April 25, 2006. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

Consideration to Approve Health Fee [06-05] Mr. Brinkley reported that information has been provided to the Board for their consideration to approve the Health Fee. Information included the types of health services that are provided to students, the opportunities for discussion with students at Fresno City College, Reedley College and the North Centers, and a fiscal analysis. He reported that colleges were polled within the central 14 districts. A vast majority appear to be implementing the health fee for Fall 2006.

Mr. Patrick Stumpf, representing the Fresno City College Associated Student Government, addressed the Board. He stated that students' health coincides with their academic performance, and he fears that health services would go away if the fee was discontinued. He expressed the need for a nutritionist and the need to bring back other services that had been discontinued at FCC, as well as have extended service hours at all locations. Mr. Stumpf asked that the Board consider the input they have

Consideration to

Approve Health Fee [06-05] (continued)

received and reinstate services that used to be at FCC. Ms. Bejarana said that she affirms what Mr. Stumpf conveyed and stated that \$14 is not a huge amount of money, but she would like to see new services as well as what they had before. She stated that a secretary was needed in psychological services for scheduling appointments.

#### Action

A motion was made by Ms. Bejarana and seconded by Ms. Mack to authorize the District, in accordance with AB 982, which removes the health fee waiver for low-income students effective January 1, 2006, to collect health fees from all students who are enrolled in classes, beginning with fall semester 2006, as follows:

- a) Fresno City College, Reedley College, the Madera Center and Clovis Center \$14 per semester and \$11 for summer sessions, and
- b) all other Centers in the District \$6 for all sessions.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

Acknowledgment of Quarterly Financial Status Report – General Fund [06-06] No Action

Mr. Brinkley presented information from the Quarterly Financial Status Report.

Mr. Thonesen acknowledged the Quarterly Financial Status Report–General Fund for the Board of Trustees. No action was required.

Consideration to Adopt 2006-07 Budget Development Calendar [06-07] Action A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board of Trustees approve the 2006-07 Budget Development Calendar as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes - 6 Noes - 0 Absent - 1

Governor's 2006-07 Proposed Budget [06-08] No Action Mr. Brinkley provided an update on the Governor's 2006-07 proposed budget. He stated that the budget also contains \$130 million for equalization, which will bring the total funding for equalization to \$240 million over a three-year period. He said the District is planning for the costs that would be incurred with bringing more facilities on board and the associated staffing. Mr. Forhan asked about the reallocation model, and whether the District will finally get a fair share of the state revenue bonds. Item 06-08 is an informational item. No action was needed.

Consideration of Agenda Items for Board Retreat, March 10-11, 2006 [06-09] No Action The Board reviewed the list of agenda items for the Board of Trustees Retreat on March 10-11, 2006, and added the following items:

- Accreditation
- Vocational Education

Regarding the Board workshop, the Chancellor's secretary will survey the Board to determine a Saturday in April when all Board members can attend.

#### **Board Reports**

Ms. LaShanda Mack, Reedley College Student Trustee, reported that the Student Activities Office and the Associated Student Body would be hosting the following events, including several for Black History Month:

- Soul food sampling event
- A movie paying tribute to the late Rosa Parks
- Know Your History Game
- Hosting Quinton Hosley, CSU, Fresno, basketball player
- Tranquility Gospel Singers
- Valentine Vendor Faire
- Mardi Gras
- ASB is also proud to announce the confirmation of Ms. California, Dustin-Leigh Konzelman, to speak during the Reedley College Kaleidoscope on March 29. She will talk about the benefits of starting a college education at a community college.

Ms. Zyanya Bejarano, Fresno City College Student Trustee, reported the following activities for February, including many celebrating Black History Month:

- The opening ceremony for Black History Month took place on February 1 in the theatre and included drums, dance and song.
- Fresno City College is hosting the Selma March Exhibit. Mr. Matt Herron, the photographer of the exhibit, gave a presentation sharing his vivid experiences in the civil rights movement.
- A movie about Rosa Parks' story, February 2.
- Dallas Black Dance Theatre, February 7.
- Legacy of Literature series presented by Dr. James Walton, February 8
- Langston Hughes Project: Jazz Master Classes, Kid's Show, "12 Moods of Jazz," Health Disparities lecture, Rites of Passage—activities related to culture and current issues, February 9-10.
- "Am I Ready to Be My Brother's Keeper?" presentation, February 16.
- College Gospel Celebration evening with participating college

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Fresno Pacific University, CSUF, and Fresno City College, February 19.

- Club Rush, February 22.
- Panel discussion about Black Gangs, February 23.
- Soul Food BBQ, February 28.

Old Business

There was no old business.

Future Agenda Items

Ms. Smith asked about the cost to eat on campus in terms of students' budgets. Why does food on campus have to cost so much? Ms. Bejarano said that the food on campus is better with more variety and cheaper than Carl's, Jr. and Wendy's restaurants, and also is healthier. Mr. Forhan asked if food services are being subsidized.

Ms. Smith asked about the English and math graduation requirements and the impact of raising the requirements.

Ms. Smith expressed a concern about the price of books for classes.

Mr. Thonesen asked if administration could send something out to address this.

There was discussion about raising the levels of math and English for the AA and AS degrees. There will be a joint presentation at the April meeting on this topic.

## Delegations, Petitions, and Communications

There were no delegations, petitions, and communications.

Closed Session

Mr. Thonesen stated that the Board, in closed session, would be discussing

- a) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/ RELEASE, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
- b) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATION [SCFT Full-Time and Part-Time Faculty Bargaining Units and CSEA Bargaining Unit]; Randy Rowe, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Mr. Thonesen declared a recess at 6:30 p.m.

**Open Session** 

The Board moved into open session at 6:49 p.m.

Report of Closed

Mr. Thonesen reported from closed session that on February 1,

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Session 2005, the Board took action to terminate a classified employee.

On January 17, 2006, the State Center Community College District Personnel Commission took action to uphold the

termination of that classified employee.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. by the unanimous

consent of the Board.

Dorothy Smith, Secretary, Board of Trustees State Center Community College District

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