

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
March 2, 2010

Call to Order A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District was called to order by President Pat Patterson at 4:30 p.m., March 2, 2010, at the Student Center, Reedley College, 995 N. Reed Avenue, Reedley, California.

Trustees Present Patrick E. Patterson, President
Dorothy Smith, Vice President
Isabel Barreras, Secretary
Richard Caglia
H. Ronald Feaver
Leslie W. Thonesen
William J. Smith
Erika Gutierrez, Student Trustee, Fresno City College
Alexandria Morales, Student Trustee, Reedley College

Also present were:

Tom Crow, Chancellor, SCCCCD
Doug Brinkley, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration,
 SCCCD
Cynthia Azari, President, Fresno City College
Barbara Hioco, President, Reedley College
Terry Kershaw, Vice Chancellor, North Centers
Don Lopez, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor, Workforce
 Development and Education Services, SCCCCD
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, SCCCCD
Kasey Oliver, CSEA Vice President, RC
Melanie Highfill, RC Classified Senate President
Bill Turini, Academic Senate President, RC/NC
Linda DeKruif, Academic Senate President, FCC
Jackie Morales, ASB President, RC
Letty Alvarez, Admissions and Records Manager, RC
Michael White, Vice President, Instruction, RC
Gregory Taylor, General Counsel, SCCCCD
Gary Sakaguchi, Director of Technology, RC/NC
David Clark, Dean of Instruction, RC

Jan Dekker, Dean of Instruction, RC
Gurdeep Sihota-He'Bert, SCCCCF Foundation Exec. Director
Brian Speece, Associate Vice Chancellor, District Operations,
SCCCD
Teresa Patterson, Executive Director, Public and Legislative
Relations, SCCCCD
Scott Thomason, Vice President, Administrative Services, RC
Sato Sanikian, Selma High School
Adelfa Lorenzano, College Center Assistant, RC
Michelle Stricker, Counselor, RC
Marie Byrd, STEM Grant Project Coordinator, RC
Lucy Ruiz, Public Information Officer, RC
Donna Baker Geidner, Classified Staff, RC
John Cummings, Vice President, Adm. & Records, DO
Bernard Marquez, Faculty, RC
Linda Nies, Classified Staff, RC
Rick Santos, Faculty, FCC
Pat Jackson, College Nurse, RC
Liz DeFore, Classified Staff, RC
Frank Mascola, Counselor, RC
Kenneth Zech, Faculty, RC
Dan Kilbert, Faculty, RC
Samara Trimble, RC
Keith Dodson, Classified Staff, DO
Marny Berganza, RC
Katie Lewis, Student, RC
Crystal Cavazos, Student, RC
Nereida Sandoval, Student, RC
Anacany Ayala, Student, RC
Monica Martinez, Student, RC
Marissa Estrada, Student, RC
Silverio Luna, Student, RC
Orlando Rodriguez, Student, RC
Chelsey Carlson, Student, RC
Paula Ramos, Student, RC
Brenda Ramirez, Student, RC
Cindy Camillo, Student, RC
Ahmet Gozubmyuk, Student, RC
Chace Jiminez, Student, RC
Tara Burns, Student, RC
Angel Ramirez, Jr., Student, RC
Justin Penner, Student, RC
Candra Ramirez, Student, RC
Alexandra Alvarado, Student, RC
Paola Lopez, Student, RC
Michael Zamora, Student, RC

Jason Sorensen, Student, RC
Leslie Quintero, Student, RC
Harkirat Singh, Student, RC
Joseph Allen, Student, RC
Cynthia Orellena, Student, RC
Kristen Bernal, Student, RC
Amy Busch, Student, RC
Robert Portillo, Student, RC
Savanna Powell, Student, RC
Mahlet Gebrehimet, Student, RC
Julie Gallardo, Student, RC
Leah Alvarez, Student, RC
Elizabeth Behnke, Student, RC

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular Board meeting of February 2, 2010, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Barreras and seconded by Mr. Feaver to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting of February 2, 2010, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Delegations, Petitions, and Communications

None.

Chancellor's Report

Dr. Crow thanked Dr. Hioco and the staff at Reedley College for hosting the Board meeting. On behalf of everyone from the State Center Community College District, he offered sincerest condolences to the family of Javier Bejar, a police officer for the City of Reedley and a former Reedley College student, who was tragically struck down in the line of duty and was removed from life support on March 1.

Dr. Crow reported the following:

Wall of Honor – Last Thursday, State Center Community College District had the honor of inducting three new members to the African American Historical and Cultural Museum of the San Joaquin Valley Wall of Honor: Dr. Lee Farley, Mr. Odell Johnson, and Mr. Jesse McDonald. It was a wonderful ceremony to honor these outstanding gentlemen. Trustee Dottie Smith served as host for the event. Trustee Richard Caglia represented the Board.

Renaissance Feast for Scholars – The SCCC Foundation's annual Renaissance Feast will be held on March 13. This special dinner includes dinner, entertainment and a live

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auction. All proceeds will benefit SCCC students through scholarships. It is a great event and this year Gurdeep Sihota-He'Bert has arranged for the queen and her court to take a trip to Spain.

Career and Technical Education Bus Tour – The annual Career and Technical Education Bus Tour is scheduled for April 15. This is an excellent opportunity to see up close some of the many outstanding career and technical education programs throughout the district. The half-day tour takes participants through Fresno City College, the Career & Technology Education Center and ends at the Reedley campus. Extremely positive feedback has been received in the past, and this year's tour should be equally valuable in time invested. Board members and others interested are invited to participate.

Campus Reports

Dr. Hioco reported the following from Reedley College:

- Dr. Hioco welcomed everyone to Reedley College and the new Student Center. They have held several events in the new facility and it is working out very well.
- The Green Club and Student Activities in partnership with Coca Cola Company have organized and implemented a recycling program on the campus.
- Student Athlete Amy Lepp will be honored at the Student Athletes luncheon on March 31 during the CCCAA convention in Ontario; she is on the CCCAA's scholar athlete honor roll.
- The RC Women's Tennis Team competed in the prestigious Northern California Mission Tournament in Santa Clara on February 12-13. Sixteen teams competed, and Reedley College came in first, scoring 27 points out of a possible 36, and came home with several championships.
- The RC Kaleidoscope open house is March 18.
- On March 20, Upward Bound Math and Science, the Pre-professional Health Club, and RC STEM grant will sponsor the RC iXplore Health Conference.
- On March 24, RC will be hosting a Career Pathway Summit with the Valley Regional Occupation Program.
- RC said farewell to the Sequoia residence hall on March 2. The demolition of the old residence hall will be completed by April 16.

Campus Reports
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Dr. Azari reported the following from Fresno City College:

- Speakers Forum on March 15 commemorates Women's History Month with the topic "Contemporary Issues with Gender Equality."
- The Centennial celebration continues with History Night on March 16. The panel will discuss the history of the college and how it has been affected by national, state and local events.
- Men's and Women's Basketball Teams advanced to post-season play. Brian Tessler, Women's Basketball Coach, was named Central Valley Coach of the Year, and Sumiya Darden was named MVP. The Men's Basketball Team has advanced to the NorCal finals. Ed Madec was named Co-Coach of the Year, Brandon Johnson, Co-Player of the year, and Percy Lemle is Freshman Player of the Year.
- The play "The Exonerated" opens March 5 and is directed by Janine Christl.
- March is National Nutrition Month and several events on campus will focus on nutrition and healthy lifestyles.

Dr. Kershaw reported the following from the North Centers:

- Melanie Sanwo and Jennifer Simonson of the WI Writing Center presented at the Central Valley Higher Education Consortium's Tutor Conference. Tutors Julian Labit and Suzy Costa also presented.
- Veteran Resources Day was held at WI and MC.
- During March and April there will be activities at the MC and WI highlighting Women's History Month, and a Cesar Chavez Day of Service at MC and WI. OC will be participating in the local Showcase of Schools and Spring Fling open house, which will include a Veteran Resources Day. The WI and MC Spring Extravaganza open house events will focus on the green theme, which is sponsored by a \$5,000 grant from PG&E.
- The Ninth Annual MAYA Leadership Conference will be held April 17 at MC.
- Madera Compact Business and Education Shareholders' Luncheon is on April 21 at Madera Municipal Golf Course. The Crystal Tower Awards recognize excellence in business and education partnerships.
- The Darden Architects and the WI Academic One facility were the recipients of the Award of Merit judged by the San Joaquin Chapter of the American Institute of Architects as part of the 2009 Design Awards competition.

Academic Senate Report

Bill Turini, President of Academic Senate, welcomed the Board of Trustees, district-level administrators, the President of Fresno City College, and the Vice Chancellor of the North Centers of Reedley College to the Reedley campus.

Mr. Turini reported that since the last Board meeting, the Reedley College Academic Senate:

- has worked closely with representatives of the other college constituent groups to review and revise the college's proposed Educational Master Plan, and has subsequently endorsed the proposed plan;
- has continued its efforts to review and revise the RC certificated peer observation and evaluation forms;
- has constituted an *ad hoc* committee to review the Reedley College Enrichment Program;
- has continued to work closely with representatives of the other constituent groups at the college toward crafting the 2011 Accreditation Self Study; and
- has reviewed the draft ARCC report released by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and has forwarded comments to the Office of Instruction to be considered for inclusion in the self-assessment response.

Mr. Turini stated that since processes for institutional planning and budget development are included in the 11 areas of responsibility awarded to local academic senates by Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, they are very much concerned with the budget crisis in which California currently finds itself. He reminded attendees that there are various activities taking place throughout the state this month, one of which is in Fresno, in an attempt to remind our state-elected officials that education is not merely another category of government spending, but rather the best investment one can make in the future of the state.

Mr. Turini thanked the Board for their support and invited them to attend Reedley College Academic Senate meetings held on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 2:00-2:55 p.m., teleconferenced from Reedley to the Willow/International and Madera Centers. While California Government Code requires that these are always open meetings, he said he wanted to take it one step beyond this requirement by extending an invitation to all Trustees who may be interested in attending.

Classified Senate Report

Melanie Highfill, RC Classified Senate President, reported the following from the RC Classified Senate:

- Approved the Educational Master Plan for Reedley College
- Approved the 2010-11 Decision Packages
- Had a fundraiser for scholarships for RC and NC.
- Are reviewing the 2010-11 college goals
- Will be reviewing the hybrid program review handbook for non-instructional programs
- Preparing for the Classified Professionals Mega Conference scheduled for March 30; theme is "Year of the Classified Professional; A Decade of Excellence."
- Next Classified Senate meeting is March 11 at 2 p.m.

Associated Student Body

ASB President Jacqueline Morales and Student Trustee Alexandria Morales welcomed the Board of Trustees to Reedley College. A slide presentation highlighted 2009-10 Associated Student Body activities, including student participation in educational, athletic and community service events. ASB emphasizes community involvement with projects such as Adopt a Family, Kids Day, Donate Life, March of Dimes, Relay for Life, and Blood Bank. Club Rush is an important project for the ASB because it gets students signed up and involved with volunteer work. One of ASB's many projects is to update the Associated Student Government constitution and bylaws, which have not been updated since 1991. Ms. Morales recognized the ASB officers in attendance, and on their behalf and Reedley College students, expressed their gratefulness for the new Student Center.

K-16 Bridge Program and STEM Activities

Marie Byrd, STEM Grant Project Coordinator, introduced the presentation on the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), and K-16 Bridge Program. STEM focuses on eight disciplines ranging from mathematics to science. The goals revolve around Hispanic students to engage in and major in and/or transfer in any of STEM fields.

Michele Stricker, STEM and K-16 Counselor, discussed the counseling and outreach component. One of the shining projects in the outreach component is the student ambassadors. These are Reedley College students who are currently majoring in and pursuing a career in the STEM field. They go to the local campuses to talk with elementary, middle school and high school students and also provide on- and off-campus tutoring.

K-16 Bridge Program and
STEM Activities
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Adelfa Lorenzano, K-16 Bridge Facilitator, stated the overall mission of the program is to implement the educational relationships between the elementary, secondary, and post-secondary institutions. The goal is to introduce the concept of education at earlier grade levels. RC is the first college in the Central Valley to implement such a program.

Sato Sanikian, Learning Director and K-16 Bridge Site Coordinator at Selma High School, discussed their decision to implement K-16 Bridge, and the successes and plans for this program. A lot of their students fit right into this program and can transfer to Reedley College, if they choose.

Silverio Luna, Student Ambassador, talked about the student ambassadors and why he chose to participate. He said it gave him an opportunity to become more involved at the college, and to share his passion for engineering and math with students at the participating schools.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Smith stated he is pleased and impressed with the implementation of this creative and innovative program. He asked if student success measurements are incorporated into this program.

Ms. Byrd responded there are various methodologies used to measure student success and that one of the grant's goals is to increase the student success rate. She explained the tracking, data collection, and analysis resources they are using.

Consent Agenda
Action

It was moved by Ms. Smith and seconded by Ms. Barreras that the Board of Trustees approve consent agenda items 10-04HR through 10-08HR and 10-21G through 10-26G, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Employment, Retirement,
Academic Personnel
[10-04HR]
Action

approve academic personnel recommendations, Items A through C, as presented

Employment, Change of
Status, Leave of Absence,
Resignation, Classified
Personnel
[10-05HR]
Action

approve classified personnel recommendations, Items A through F, as presented

Consideration to Approve
Employment of Part-Time
Faculty, Spring 2010,
Fresno City College,
Reedley College and
North Centers
[10-06HR]
Action

approve employment of part-time faculty for Fresno City College, Reedley College, and North Centers for Spring 2010, as presented

Consideration to Approve
Academic Personnel
Teaching in Secondary
Subject Area
[10-07HR]
Action

adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 52060 of the California Administrative Code, the Governing Board of a District may authorize holders of the Community College Instructor Credential issued before January 15, 1977, to teach courses in those secondary subject areas designated on their credential documents; and, for holders of the Community College Instructor Credential issued after January 15, 1977, to teach courses in a subject matter area in which the holders have completed a minor; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of this Board to provide such authorization as needed to carry out the educational programs of the institutions of this District during the 2010-11 college year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that whenever the College Presidents and the Chancellor believe it is necessary and in the best interest of the District's students, the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District hereby authorizes holders of the Community College Instructor Credential issued:

1. before January 15, 1977, to teach courses in those secondary subject areas designated on their credential documents, and
2. after January 15, 1977, to teach courses in the subject matter area in which the credential holders have completed a minor.

Consideration to Approve
2010-11 Contract Status of
Academic Personnel
[10-08HR]
Action

approve the presented list of academic personnel for re-employment for the 2010-11 academic year, as indicated, subject to assignment by the Chancellor and salary placement, as adopted by the Board of Trustees (pursuant to Education Code Section 87605, 87608 and 87609)

Review of District
Warrants and Checks
[10-21G]
Action

review and sign the warrants register for the period January 23, 2010, to February 19, 2010, in the amount of \$16,453,732.82; and 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 January 21, 2010, to February 17, 2010, in the amount of \$753,383.07

Consideration of
Application for Leave to
Present Late Claim, Royce
Dunn
[10-22G]
Action

reject the Application for Leave to Present Late Claim submitted on behalf of Royce Dunn and direct the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to give written notice of said action to the claimant

Consideration of Report of
Investments
[10-23G]
Action

accept the Quarterly Performance Review, as provided by the County of Fresno, for the quarter ending December 31, 2009

Consideration to Authorize
Signatory Change, Various
Bank Accounts, Reedley
College
[10-24G]
Action

authorize the removal of Richard Santos and the addition of Michael White as a signatory on various Reedley College bank accounts

Consideration to Authorize
Subcontract Agreement
with the California State
University, Fresno
Foundation for the
TRANS-NSF-Recovery
Act Research Support
Grant (METRO), Fresno
City College
[10-25G]
Action

- a) authorize the District, on behalf of Fresno City College, to enter into a subcontract agreement with the California State University, Fresno Foundation for the TRANS-NSF Recovery Act Research Support Grant (METRO), for the period September 15, 2009, through August 31, 2013, with total funding in the amount of \$89,999;
- 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 Authorize Subcontract Agreement with the California State University, Fresno Foundation for the TRANS-NSF-Recovery Act Research Support Grant (METRO), Reedley College
[10-26G]
Action

- a) authorize the District, on behalf of Reedley College, to enter into a subcontract agreement with the California State University, Fresno Foundation for the TRANS-NSF Recovery Act Research Support Grant (METRO), for the period September 15, 2009, through August 31, 2013, with total funding in the amount of \$79,000;
- 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

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

Consideration to Approve Educational Master Plans for Fresno City College, Reedley College, and the North Centers
[10-17]
Action

Dr. Crow introduced the item for the Board's consideration to approve the Educational Master Plans for Fresno City College, Reedley College and the North Centers. The draft plans were presented for first reading at the February 2, 2010, Board meeting. As was reported earlier in the meeting, the Reedley College Academic Senate and Reedley College Classified Senate, and the other campuses have been working on putting the final modifications on the educational master plans for their campuses. The next step in the process is to provide the draft SCCCD Educational Master Plan to the constituent groups and Board of Trustees and to go through the same two-reading process. The district plans to have the plan out to the groups soon.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Caglia that the Board of Trustees approve the Fresno City College, Reedley College, and the North Centers Educational Master Plans. Mr. Caglia said that these plans represent a lot of work and information, and he wanted to personally thank all those that helped put the plans together.

The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to Approve Selection of Independent Auditor
[10-18]
Action

- A motion was made by Ms. Barreras and seconded by Mr. Thonesen that the Board of Trustees
- a) authorize utilizing the firm of Perry-Smith, LLP, for the purpose of conducting the district's annual audits and Measure E financial and performance audits for the period 2009-10 through 2011-12 in the total amount of \$75,000 per year for the first two years and \$78,750 for the third year; and

Consideration to Approve
Selection of Independent
Auditor

[10-18] (continued)

Action

- b) at the conclusion of the three-year term, consider an extension for the period of two years with the fee to be \$78,750 for the fourth year and \$82,750 for the fifth year.

The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Approve
Use of Existing Furniture
Contracts, Willow
International Center

[10-19]

Action

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board of Trustees

- a) approve participation in TCPN Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract MO732;
- b) approve participation in U.S. Communities Contract AG067;
- c) approve participation in National Joint Powers Alliance Contract 011707;
- d) approve participation in California Multiple Award Schedule Contract 4-00-01-0039A;
- e) approve participation in U.S. Communities Contract N051056; and
- f) authorize purchase orders to be issued against these contracts for the purchase of furniture for Willow International Center Phase 2 and other District locations as needed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Assignment of Board
Representatives for
Graduation Ceremonies

[10-20]

No Action

Board members agreed to represent the Board of Trustees in the May 21, 2010, graduation ceremonies as follows:

- Fresno City College: Richard M. Caglia, Dorothy Smith, William J. Smith
- Reedley College: Patrick E. Patterson, Leslie W. Thonesen
- North Centers at Madera Center: Isabel Barreras, H. Ronald Feaver

Reports of Board
Members

Alexandria Morales, Reedley College Student Trustee, reported the following:

- Reedley College celebrated Black History Month with successful activities in the student center such as a game show, poetry contest, movies, food sampling, CSUF Kappa Step Krew performance, and two guest speakers, Terrance Frazier and Cynthia Sterling.
- Club Rush was held on February 10, with positive participation from the clubs.
- Chinese New Year was celebrated on February 12 and

Reports of Board
Members (continued)

Mardi Gras activities were held on March 16.

- ASB participated in Bowling for Kids on February 20.
- RC will be celebrating Women's History Month with events throughout March with a game show, guest speakers, "Woman's Empowerment Through the Decades" presentation and a fashion show.
- ASB and clubs will participate in Kids Day, March 9.
- Kaleidoscope day is March 18 and surrounding area high schools will attend.
- RC will host the PPH/STEM conference on March 20 and a leadership workshop on March 24.
- Spring Week events take place March 25-29.
- ASB election will be held the first week of April.

Erika Gutierrez, Student Trustee, Fresno City College, gave her congratulations on the opening of the new Reedley College Student Center. She reported the following:

- Allied Health Fair is March 4.
- Kids Day is March 9, and many volunteers have signed up to help sell Fresno Bee newspapers to support Children's Hospital.
- Associated Student Government has been invited by Ayer Elementary to give a presentation on leadership.
- March 22 is March in March and ASG is funding this event for students to join in a rally at Sacramento to voice their concerns about the state budget cuts.
- March 25 is the Fresno City College Showcase open house. Local high schools and the community attend to learn about the college's programs, services, and clubs.
- On March 16 there will be a fashion show in the cafeteria to advertise the Masquerade Ball taking place on April 16. The event is being put together by students. They are welcoming students, staff, faculty and the public. All proceeds will go toward future FCC Centennial events.

Old Business

Ms. Smith asked that the district look into the possibility of offering four-year degrees.

Future Agenda Items

Ms. Smith stated her continued interest in having State Center Community College District's employees and students give presentations at the annual community college conferences at the state and national levels. The ACCT Congress is currently calling for presentations.

Future Agenda Items
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Ms. Smith asked about the possibility of inviting Assemblymember Paul Fong to campus. He is a former community college trustee who understands community colleges and now has a voice in the legislature.

Delegations, Petitions, and
Communications

None.

Closed Session

Mr. Patterson stated that in closed session the Board would be not be discussing PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/ DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Mr. Patterson stated that in closed session the Board would be discussing the following:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [SCFT Full-Time Bargaining Unit; SCFT Part-Time Bargaining Unit and California School Employees Association Bargaining Unit]; Randy Rowe, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(A)

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Chancellor Search

Mr. Patterson called a recess at 5:28 p.m.

Open Session

The Board moved into open session at 6:33 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

Mr. Patterson reported that the Board took no action in closed session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m. by the unanimous consent of the Board.

Isabel Barreras /s/

Isabel Barreras
Secretary, Board of Trustees
State Center Community College District

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