

MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
February 4, 2014

- 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 4:40 p.m. on February 4, 2014, in the district office board room, 1525 E. Weldon Avenue, Fresno, California.
- Trustees Present                Pat Patterson, President  
Ron Nishinaka, Vice President  
Dorothy Smith, Secretary  
Isabel Barreras  
Richard Caglia  
John Leal  
Eric Payne  
Ben Anderson, Student Trustee, Fresno City College
- Absent: Gabriela Campos, Student Trustee, Reedley College
- Also present were:  
Deborah G. Blue, Chancellor, SCCC  
Ed Eng, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration, SCCC  
George Railey, Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Institutional Effectiveness, SCCC  
Tony Cantu, President, Fresno City College  
Sandra Caldwell, President, Reedley College  
Deborah Ikeda, Campus President, Willow International Community College Center  
Diane Clerou, Assoc. Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, SCCC  
Brian Speece, Associate Vice Chancellor of Business and Operations, SCCC  
Greg Taylor, General Counsel, SCCC  
Teresa Patterson, Executive Director, Public and Legislative Relations, SCCC  
Nina Acosta, Executive Secretary to the Chancellor, SCCC
- Delegations, Petitions and Communications        Kathleen Swan, Willow International bookstore sales clerk, addressed the board regarding her concerns about the viability report and food services at Willow International. She said that Willow is not allowed to sell snacks and drinks at the bookstore, which inhibits their ability to increase sales. She stated the other bookstores within the district are allowed to sell snacks.

Approval of Minutes      The minutes of the January 14, 2014, and January 16, 2014, meetings were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Barreras and seconded by Trustee Smith to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2014, and January 16, 2014 meetings, as presented. The motion passed without dissent.

Presidents' Reports

Mr. Cantu reported on topics of interest from Fresno City College. Copies of the report were provided to the board and interested attendees, and include the following highlights:

- During the month of February, Channel 30 will air "Children First" public service announcements that feature educators. Chemistry and physics instructors David Balogh and Christian Vellandi are highlighted in the video from their Halloween show.
- FCC Financial Aid Department staff is visiting feeder high school campuses and conducting Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) workshops in the classrooms, hosting FAFSA Nights, and hosting Cash for College and Dream Act workshops for students and parents. A total of 45 workshops will be conducted before the March 2 application deadline. High school seniors who attend the Cash for College workshops have the opportunity to be entered to win a \$1,000 scholarship.
- On February 27, the FCC Campus Community Colloquium is hosting a panel discussion to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Brown vs. Board of Education, and the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act and Freedom Summer. Panelists will include SCCC Trustee Eric Payne, Fresno Pacific Professor Dr. Karen Crozier, Dr. Jim Aldredge, and FCC history instructor Paul Gilmore.

Dr. Caldwell reported on topics of interest from Reedley College and the Madera and Oakhurst centers. Copies of the report were provided to the board and interested attendees, and include the following highlights:

- Dean of Instruction David Clark has been selected as the Dr. Harold Haak Award for Educational Excellence for Business Education Partnerships recipient. He will be recognized at the Fresno Compact Business Education Shareholders' Luncheon on March 5 at TorNino's restaurant in Fresno.
- The Reedley College Classified Senate has launched a student foodpantry this semester. The first distribution date is February 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Reedley College. The Madera and Oakhurst

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centers will also have distributions at their locations on that day. The Classified Senate will host two more distributions on March 13 and April 10.

- On February 1 Reedley College's Title V program hosted the *Padres Como Companeros* (parents as partners) conference, with 132 parents participated in the event. She thanked Trustee Barreras for serving as the keynote speaker for the event.

Ms. Ikeda reported on topics of interest from the Willow International Community College Center. Copies of the report were provided to the board and interested attendees, and include the following highlights:

- Willow will host the 2nd annual Chemistry Olympiad on March 8. Last year's event hosted about 80 students. This year it is expected to double with additional high schools participating.
- Willow Associated Student Government (ASG) is hosting a guest speaker, Michael Fosberg, who will be performing his one-man show for African/American History Month. The solo performance, *Incognito*, is written and performed by Mr. Fosberg and will be held on February 21. It is free and open to the public.
- Willow International Center's Classified Senate has been recognized by the State as an official member of 4CS.
- Willow International Center has two people that have been appointed to statewide steering committees. English instructor and Academic Senate President Jeff Burdick were appointed by the State Academic Senate to the steering committee of the Chancellor's Common Assessment Initiative. Vice President of Instruction and Student Services Kelly Fowler has been appointed to the steering committee of the Chancellor's Online Education Initiative.

Chancellor's Report

Dr. Blue reported the following:

- The Foundation will be hosting a planning charrette on February 5 at the district office north center from 3:00-5:00pm. The purpose of the charrette is to guide participants through a structured process that allows the planning team to gather specific feedback on the district Foundation's Strategic Plan. Following the charrette, the Draft Strategic Plan will be revised to integrate feedback from the charrette. Once completed, the updated plan will go to the foundation's executive board on March 19, 2014, for initial review and again on April 23, 2014. The final strategic plan will be presented for adoption to the Foundation board on May 14, 2014.

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- February 6 will mark the first K-12/Community College Summit. The event will bring together trustees, CEOs and business leaders from throughout the district's five-county service area. Keynote speaker for the closing luncheon is J. Noah Brown, president and CEO of the American Association of Community College Trustees. Special thanks to Trustee Dottie Smith for her vision in bringing the summit to fruition.
- February is National Black History Month, and one of the ways the district celebrates is to honor outstanding African American men and women during the Wall of Honor ceremony at the African American Historical and Cultural Museum. This year the district will be recognizing four outstanding individuals: Dr. Jothany Blackwood, liaison for districtwide strategic and integrated planning; Lorraine "Pearl" Mangum, administrative aide, Fresno City College; Lois Williams, student service specialist, Reedley College; and a special recognition for Mr. Ralph R. Gant, former communication instructor at Fresno City College, who unfortunately passed in October 2013. Mr. Gant served at Fresno City for nearly 35 years before retiring in 2010.

Academic Senate  
Report

Fresno City College Academic Senate President Mary Ann Valentino reported on the following:

- As of January, FCC is in second place behind Modesto College, with the number of courses with C-ID approval.
- The senate nominated the FCC Latino Faculty and Staff Association for the Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award. The mission of the association is to act as an advocate for Latino issues in higher education, to promote the social and cultural dimensions of Latino history, heritage, and culture in relation to education and to address the multifaceted educational needs of Chicano and Latino students at FCC in the areas of outreach, recruitment, retention, and success. The members serve as mentors to students in the Puente Program. Since 1998, the association has awarded 224 scholarships, totaling \$44,750.
- The senate's next meeting is February 12, 2014.

Classified Senate  
Report

Fresno City College Classified Senate President Ernie Garcia reported the following:

- The senate reviewed the districtwide facilities planning operating agreement.
- The senate reviewed the draft HR Staffing Plan and will provide feedback in the next few weeks.
- The statewide classified senate will hold a classified leadership

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institute this summer. FCC Classified Senate is planning to send some of its members.

- The Classified Mega Conference will take place on April 15. The theme is “A Call to Adventure.” The morning keynote speaker will be Dr. Sandra Caldwell.

2013 Student Success  
Scorecard Reports

Dr. George Railey presented background information on the 2013 Student Success Scorecard report. He stated that the Scorecard replaces the Accountability Report for Community Colleges (ARCC). Dr. Railey reviewed the Scorecard metrics and definitions, including persistence rates, 30 unit rate, student progress and attainment rate, basic skills progress rate, and career technical education.

Tony Cantu reviewed the 2013 Student Success scorecard for Fresno City College. He discussed the student progress and attainment rate (new SPAR), persistence rate, 30 unit rate, basic skill education progress (math, English, ESL), and Career Technical Education (CTE) rate.

Trustee Patterson asked if there is a way to identify the percentage of students who would have a better chance of success with remediation. Mr. Cantu stated FCC staff is working with Fresno Unified staff to look at more aggressive intervention for high school students. They are also working on providing intensive workshops and summer programs to get students prepared for college. Mr. Patterson asked if there is a way to establish why those students are not succeeding. Mr. Cantu stated FCC is looking at disaggregating the data and looking at the students as they progress through the sequences to see at what point students are dropping out.

Sandra Caldwell reviewed the 2013 Student Success scorecard for Reedley College. She reminded the board that the information includes Madera, Oakhurst and Willow International (until Willow International becomes a stand-alone college). She discussed the student progress and attainment rate (new SPAR), persistence rate, 30 unit rate, basic skill education progress (math, English, ESL), Career Technical Education (CTE) rate, and career development and college preparation (CDCP) completion. Dr. Caldwell stated the student education plans will play an important role for a student's success. This will prepare students and help them stay through graduation. Reedley College has a variety of efforts to help students transition into college, such as the Upward Bound program, middle college high school, high school academies, and “Reg-to-Go.” These types of

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programs help clear the pathway to address remediation before it is needed. The STEM and Title V programs also assist in the remediation efforts.

Trustee Patterson asked if the ESL classes are offered for credit. Dr. Caldwell said they were in the past, but are no longer offered for credit. Trustee Patterson asked if there are other opportunities for these students, such as vocational training. Dr. Caldwell says this is part of the adult education discussion and AB86.

Trustee Caglia asked if the district knows how it compares to other community college districts. Does the district have benchmarks that it is trying to achieve? The state comparisons are posted on all campus websites.

Trustee Smith asked if students know about the Student Education Plan. Tony Cantu stated that students are aware of the plan and it is a new requirement for priority registration.

Trustee Payne stated the percentages are dismal. The achievement gap is huge. He is hoping that the Student Education Plan will significantly increase the completion and transfer rates for the district's students.

Student Trustee Anderson asked when Willow will be separated from Reedley. Dr. Caldwell said it will be approximately two years. He asked how student education plans will play a role in student success. Also, it will help if the students start their plans in high school. Students will be able to see a very clear pathway and an actual way to achieve their goals so they will see the expectation early on the front end, the value on the completion on the back end.

Trustee Leal stated the data may motivate students to show more interest and taking more responsibility in their learning. He also sees the value is disaggregating the data.

Governor's 2014-  
2015 January Budget  
Proposal

Mr. Ed Eng reviewed the governor's 2014 -2015 budget proposal.

Reports of Board  
Members

FCC Student Trustee Ben Andersen reported the following:

- Auditions for *FCC's Got Talent* will take place on February 4, 2014
- ASG is working on "Ram Doggie," which will provide free hot dog

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meals for students with an ASB card

- ASG is close forming the State Center Student Association, which will be a committee of students from across the district
- Working on a districtwide student safety committee
- Transportation committee
- The first CEO seminar for entrepreneurship took place on January 28

Trustee Barreras reported the following:

- She attended the Trustee and Legislative Conference in Sacramento. There was great discussion regarding adult education and the transition to community colleges. Another topic was baccalaureate degrees at the community college level. Student success still remains at the forefront of discussion.
- She thanked Dr. Diana Tapia-Wright and Dr. Caldwell for their invitation to attend Padres Como Companeros. She was happy to see all of the parents who attended. She was able to share her story and let parents know their children can go to college and succeed. She is hopeful that there will be a similar event at the Madera Center.

Trustee Payne reported the following:

- Attended the City of Fresno MLK Unity Committee activities
- MC of the All Faith Service at FCC
- Attended the CCLC conference. He is now one of five trustees in the state to have completed the CCLC Effective Trustee Certificate Program
- Attended the Sergio Romo event at FCC
- Attended the African American Historical and Cultural Museum annual Trailblazer Awards on February 1.
- Keynote speaker at FCC on February third for the opening of the celebration for Black History Month
- Received an invitation from the state chapter of the NAACP to attend the Wall of Honor Hall of Fame induction for Willie Brown, former speaker for the State Assembly

Trustee Leal reported the following:

- Attended a meeting with Dr. Nick Laudato from Campus Works and Tony Cantu for an update on districtwide technology.
- Attended the FASBO meeting on January 21.
- Attended the Fresno County School Trustee Association meeting
- Attended a luncheon meeting with Sanger community, business,

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Members (continued)

and elected official. They discussed training and education needs for the community and partnering with Reedley College. He thanked Dr. Caldwell for the invitation.

- Attended the state FFA competition held at Reedley College.
- Will be attending the ACCT Legislative Conference and will be serving on the nominating committee.

Trustee Smith reported the following:

- Attended the CCLC legislative and effective trustee workshops
- Attended the business education partnership presented by the consortium
- Ms. Smith is looking forward to the K-12 Summit and the keynote speaker J. Noah Brown from ACCT. She congratulated Richard Caglia for his father receiving the Leon S. Peters Award. She thanked the Caglia family for all their contributions to the community, including west Fresno.

Trustee Nishinaka reported the following:

- Attended the State Center Consortium Advisory Committee meeting on January 15
- Attended the K-12 Summit planning meeting with Trustee Dottie Smith on January 17
- Attended the Fresno County School Trustees Association dinner meeting at Granite Point MS in Fresno with fellow trustees on January 21
- Attended the Madera County School Trustees Association dinner meeting at the Madera Center on January 22
- Attended the City of Sanger Job Training Program luncheon meeting with Trustee Leal, RC President Sandy Caldwell and college representatives on January 24
- Attended the Reedley College Midwinter Field Day to observe judging competition in vine and tree pruning contests, and Calif. State finals in natural resources management on January 25
- Attended the State Center Consortium's Central Valley Career Technical Education Conference at the Clovis Veterans Memorial Building on February 4

Future Agenda Items

Trustee Anderson requested a presentation on Student Education Plan data to assist in course scheduling.

Trustee Barreras requested a monthly or bi-monthly update on the transition of adult education to community colleges.



Future Agenda Items  
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Trustee Smith requested an update on the nursing program and an update on baccalaureate degrees.

Trustee Leal requested a panel of students make a presentation to express their concerns about the Student Education Plan.

Consent Agenda  
Action

President Patterson asked for a motion to approve consent agenda items 14-03HR and 14-05G through 14-13G, as presented.

It was moved by Trustee Payne and seconded by Trustee Barreras that the Board of Trustees approve consent agenda items 14-03HR and 14-05G through 14-13G, as presented. The motion passed without dissent.

Employment,  
Promotion, Change of  
Status, Leave of  
Absence, Resignation,  
Retirement, Classified  
Personnel  
[14-03HR]  
Action

Approve the classified personnel recommendations, items A through H, as presented

Review of District  
Warrants and Checks  
[14-05G]  
Action

Review and approve the warrants register for the following accounts:

<u>Account:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>	<u>For the Period of:</u>
District	\$10,968,533.25	12/18/13 to 1/14/14
Fresno City College Bookstore	943,549.64	12/18/13 to 1/14/14
Reedley College Bookstore	402,573.81	12/18/13 to 1/14/14
Fresno City College Co- Curricular	48,180.08	12/17/13 to 1/14/14
Reedley College Co-Curricular	42,967.61	12/17/13 to 1/10/14
Total:	<u><u>\$ 12,405,804.39</u></u>	

Consideration to  
Approve Quarterly  
Budget Adjustments  
and Transfers Report  
[14-06G]  
Action

Approve the December 31, 2013, Budget Adjustments and Transfers Report

Consideration to  
Approve Summer  
2014 and Fall 2014  
Schedule of  
Instructional  
Materials Fees,  
Fresno City College  
and Reedley College  
[14-07G]  
Action

Approve the summer 2014 and fall 2014 Schedule of Instructional Materials Fees for Fresno City College and Reedley College

Financial Analysis of  
Enterprise and  
Special Revenue  
Operations[14-08G]  
No Action

Provided for board information, no action is required

Consideration of  
Claim, Francisco  
Robles  
[14-09G]  
Action

In accordance with established procedures, reject the claim submitted by Francisco Robles and direct the chancellor or vice chancellor of finance and administration to give written notice of said action to the claimant

Consideration to  
Approve Study  
Abroad Program,  
London, Summer  
2014  
[14-10G]  
Action

Approve the offering of the summer 2014 program in London and approve Kent McCorkle and Kirk Kawgoe as instructors for this program

Consideration to  
Approve Study  
Abroad Program,  
Denmark, Spring  
2014

[14-11G]

Action

Approve the offering of the spring 2014 study abroad program to Viborg, Denmark, and approve Ms. Rebecca Benas and Dr. Margaret Hiebert as instructors for this program

Consideration to  
Approve Offering of  
Field Archaeology  
Class in Utah,  
Summer 2014

[14-12G]

Action

Approve Fresno City College offering Anthropology 6 Field Archaeology at MARI in Milford, Utah, during summer 2014, with the understanding that no district funds will be expended to support student travel

Consideration to  
Adopt the Revised  
2014 Summer  
Session Instructional  
Calendar

[14-13G]

Action

Adopt the revised 2014 Summer Session Instructional Calendar for Fresno City College, Reedley College/Madera and Oakhurst Centers, and the Willow International Community College Center

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

Consideration of  
Resolution,  
Comprehensive  
Immigration Reform  
[14-17]

Action

Trustee Payne introduced a resolution in support of immigration reform.

Amparo Cid, attorney for the California Rural Legal Assistance addressed the board. She expressed the importance of this resolution to the students in the district.

Trustee Barreras asked if other colleges have approved this type of resolution. Trustee Payne said Evergreen, Imperial and Los Angeles community colleges have adopted similar resolutions.

Trustee Smith asked how will the board promote comprehensive immigration reform. Trustee Payne said the Consortium is working with the other eighteen districts it partners with across the four counties. The first step is to adopt the resolution.

Trustee Patterson stated this is already federal law. It is not the

Consideration of  
Resolution,  
Comprehensive  
Immigration Reform  
[14-17]  
Action (continued)

district's prerogative to change this. He does not think this is germane to the district in the education process and its duties as a college. He thinks this is getting involved in a political decision that is going to be determined by the federal government. In the district, we have democrats and republican representatives. This is a specific position on an issue that the board is now expected to take. Will the board be expected to take a position on water issues, air quality, environmental? He believes it is out of the board's area of expertise.

Trustee Patterson said he is in support of immigration reform.

Trustee Barreras stated that ACCT has advocated for the Dream Act, which is hand-in-hand with immigration reform. We serve the AB540 students. It is imperative to support this resolution and let the communities and students know that we are supportive.

Trustee Leal thanked Trustee Payne for bringing the resolution to the board. As a former educator for 35 years, he understands the plight of the undocumented workers and what they are facing. Trustee Leal is in support of this resolution. He said Fresno Unified has passed a similar resolution. He thinks it will be powerful to take this resolution to Washington during the legislative conference and to be able to ask legislators how the immigration reform bill is moving through the system.

Trustee Smith said she supports comprehensive immigration reform. However, she believes the board should have had more input into the drafting of the resolution.

Trustee Patterson stated that Trustee Payne has brought this up during previous meetings, and the board has given him the charge to draft the resolution.

Trustee Caglia stated he can support a lot of the principals discussed, however, he thinks there are a lot of things going on and there is a lot the district can do to address specific issues. He doesn't think this should be their position as a college board to pass this type of resolution as presented in this form, and therefore, he cannot support this resolution.

A motion was made by Trustee Leal and seconded by Trustee Barreras that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 2014.01, as presented.

Consideration of  
Resolution,  
Comprehensive  
Immigration Reform  
[14-17]  
Action (continued)

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Isabel Barreras	X		
Richard Caglia		X	
John Leal	X		
Ron Nishinaka	X		
Eric Payne	X		
Dorothy Smith	X		
Pat Patterson			X

Acknowledgement of  
Quarterly Financial  
Status Report,  
General Fund  
[14-18]  
Action

The board acknowledged the Quarterly Financial Status Report.

Consideration to  
Adopt 2014-2015  
Budget Development  
Calendar  
[14-19]  
No Action

This item was continued to the February 18, 2014 board meeting.

Consideration to  
Approve Title Change  
of Vacant Flexible-  
Hour Foundation  
Events Coordinator to  
Flexible-Hour  
Foundation Events  
Planner and the  
Revised Duties  
[14-20]  
Action

A motion was made by Trustee Nishinaka and seconded by Trustee Smith that the Board of Trustees approve the title change of the vacant flexible-hour foundation events coordinator position to flexible-hour foundation events planner, and approve the revised duties. The motion passed without dissent.

Public Hearing on  
2013-2015 Reopener  
Bargaining Proposal  
Presented by the  
District to Part-Time  
State Center  
Federation of  
Teachers, Local 1533,  
CFT/AFT, AFL/CIO  
[14-21]  
No Action

Diane Clerou presented the 2013-2015 reopener bargaining proposal from the district to the part-time SCFT.

Ms. Clerou went on to say it is appropriate to convene a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments from interested members of the public. Following the opportunity for public input, no action is required.

Board President Patterson opened the meeting for comments from the public at 7:00 p.m.

There being no comments from the public, President Patterson closed the public hearing at 7:01p.m.

Public Hearing on  
2013-2015 Reopener  
Bargaining Proposal  
Presented by the  
District to Full-Time  
State Center  
Federation of  
Teachers, Local 1533,  
CFT/AFT, AFL/CIO  
[14-22]  
No Action

Diane Clerou presented the 2013-2015 reopener bargaining proposal from the district to the full-time SCFT.

Ms. Clerou went on to say it is appropriate to convene a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments from interested members of the public. Following the opportunity for public input, no action is required.

Board President Patterson opened the meeting for comments from the public at 7:03 p.m.

There being no comments from the public, President Patterson closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Delegations,  
Petitions, and  
Communications

None

Closed Session

President Patterson stated that in closed session the board will discuss the following:

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [SCFT Full-time Bargaining Unit; SCFT Part-time Bargaining Unit, California School Employees Association Bargaining Unit, and SCCC Peace Officers Association]; Diane Clerou, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
- C. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Closed Session  
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1. Interim Dean of Instruction, Reedley College
2. Dean of Instruction, Applied Technology, Fresno City College

President Patterson called a recess at 7:05 p.m.

Open Session

The board moved into open session at 8:05 p.m.

President Patterson stated the board did not take any reportable action during closed session.

Consideration to  
Appoint Interim Dean  
of Instruction,  
Reedley College  
[14-23]  
Action

A motion was made by Trustee Leal and seconded by Trustee Caglia that the Board of Trustees appoint Mr. Chris Spomer as the interim dean of instruction, Reedley College, with placement on the management salary schedule at range 62, step 4 (\$10,120.50 monthly), effective February 5, 2014. The motion passed without dissent.

Consideration to  
Appoint Dean of  
Instruction, Applied  
Technology, Fresno  
City College  
[14-24]  
Action

A motion was made by Trustee Caglia and seconded by Trustee Nishinaka that the Board of Trustees appoint Mr. Jacob Jackson as the dean of instruction for the Applied Technology Division at Fresno City College, with placement on the management salary schedule at range 52, step 2 (\$9,445.75 monthly), effective February 5, 2014. The motion passed without dissent.

Closed Session

President Patterson stated that in closed session the board will discuss the following:

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Open Session

The board moved into open session at 8:05 p.m.

President Patterson stated the board did not take any reportable action during closed session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ by unanimous consent.

Dorothy Smith /s/

Dorothy Smith

Secretary, Board of Trustees

State Center Community College District

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