

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 28, 2014

- Call to Order A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District was called to order by President Pat Patterson at 4:35p.m. on May 28, 2014, in Room 305 at District Office North, 390 W. Fir, Clovis, California
- Trustees Present Pat Patterson, President
Ron Nishinaka, Vice President
Dorothy Smith, Secretary
Isabel Barreras
Richard Caglia
John Leal
Eric Payne
- Also present were:
Bill F. Stewart, Interim Chancellor, SCCC
Ed Eng, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration, SCCC
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
Teresa Patterson, Executive Director, Public and Legislative Relations, SCCC
Pedro Avila, District Dean of Admissions and Records
Nina Acosta, Executive Secretary to the Chancellor, SCCC
- Tour of Building Brian Speece led a tour for the Board of Trustees and guests through the buildings at District Office North.
- Workshop
Introduction Bill Stewart provided a brief history of the buildings. He reminded the Board that the enrollment at the district needs to grow. The campus at Willow International is impacted, and the space at District Office North will allow WI to provide some much needed classes. Dr. Stewart also provided information on the current and future status of the police academy.

Instructional Space
Needs for Clovis
Community College

Pedro Avila and Deborah Ikeda provided enrollment information that will support the use of the District Office North. Use of the space will allow the district to serve an additional 600 students, this year and over 100 next year. The added bonus is this location is along a public transit line.

Costs to Bring the
Building Back into
Service

Ed Eng and Brian Spee presented information on the current facilities and the cost to make the space usable classroom space. The funds to improve the space will come from the Willow International contingency fund, not the district's reserves. Brian Spee provided a comparison in cost to renovate the buildings at District Office North vs. building a new building at Willow International. The renovations will cost approximately \$1,052,000. A new building would cost \$20,000,000 at take five years to build.

Proposed New
Names for District
Office North

The board discussed the following two names for the site: Clovis Community College Center- Herndon Campus or Clovis Community College Center- South Campus. The word "center" will be dropped when it becomes a college. The board will determine the new name during the June board meeting.

Public Comment

Drew Bessinger, adjunct faculty member and 35 year law enforcement officer addressed the board regarding his request to move the police academy to the Clovis Center. He stated his concern regarding Measure E funding for the support of building a new police academy and why this hasn't happened. He requested the district do the following three actions: 1. Stop any proposed project for use of Building A located at 390 W. Fir pending result of further study; 2. Direct staff to conduct a feasibility for the proposed use of the building as a police academy and classrooms. The feasibility study should compare the cost, any logistical issues and the requirements and needs of each proposed use; 3. Place the item on the next board agenda and conduct a public hearing, where affected entities, interested parties, and citizens can make their case for their position.

Richard Caglia is concerned about people who address the board repeatedly, and do not get their questions answered by staff. The board needs to be re-assured that issues have been addressed.

John Leal stated he has concerns about the condition of the police and fire academies. Dr. Stewart will tour the facilities with Brian Spee and report back to the board.

Eric Payne suggested a public hearing on the issue of the police academy. He also requested an update on activities since board's adoption of their immigration reform resolution.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15p.m.by unanimous consent.

Dorothy Smith /s/

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

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