

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
AUGUST 4, 2009

Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
August 4, 2009

Call to Order

Trustees Present

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District was called to order by President William J. Smith at 4:30 p.m., August 4, 2009, at the Willow International Community College Center, 10309 North Willow Avenue, Room 150, Fresno, California.

William J. Smith, President
Patrick E. Patterson, Vice President
Dorothy Smith, Secretary
Isabel Barreras
Richard M. Caglia
H. Ronald Feaver
Leslie W. Thonesen
Alexandria Morales, Student Trustee, RC

Also present were:
Tom Crow, Chancellor, SCCCCD
Doug Brinkley, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, SCCCCD
Cynthia Azari, President, Fresno City College
Barbara Hioco, President, Reedley College
Terry Kershaw, Vice Chancellor, North Centers
Randy Rowe, Associate Vice Chancellor, Human Resources, SCCCCD

Introduction of Guests

Mr. Rowe introduced Ms. Renee Dauer, CSEA Vice President, representing CSEA President Jason Meyers, and Mr. Norm Anderson, Principal, Clovis North Educational Center.

Among the others present, the following signed the guest list or were noted as attending:
Jan Krueger, Executive Secretary to the Chancellor, SCCCCD
Kelly Fowler, Dean of Instruction, WI
Cris M. Bremer, Director, Marketing and Communications, FCC
Diane Clerou, District Dean of Human Resources, SCCCCD
Teresa Patterson, Executive Director, Public and Legislative Relations, SCCCCD
Ernie Garcia, Classified Senate President, FCC
Alicia Rios, CITD
Gary Sakaguchi, Director of Technology, NC/RC

Frank Mascola, Residence Hall Supervisor, RC
Mike Wallace, CSEA
Tom West, Dean of Instruction, RC
Lucy Ruiz, Interim Public Information Officer, RC
Michael Guerra, Vice President, Administrative Services, FCC
Scott Thomason, Vice President, Administrative Services RC
Cindy Dunn, Coordinator, TRIO Program, FCC
Ed Eng, Director of Finance, SCCCCD
Randall Vogt, Director of Purchasing, SCCCCD
Julie Preston-Smith, Interim Dean of Students, WI
Deborah Ikeda, Vice President, Instruction and Student
Services, NC
Ray Johnson, Executive Director, African American Museum
Robert Petithomme, Darden Architects
Christine Miktarian, Construction Services Manager, SCCCCD
Brian Speece, Associate Vice Chancellor, Business and
Operations, SCCCCD
Zwi Reznik, SCFT President
Eileen O'Hare Anderson, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
Linda DeKruif, Academic Senate President, FCC
Marilyn Behringer, Interim Vice President, Student
Services, FCC
Adelfa Lorenzano, College Center Assistant, RC
Thomas Mester, Academic Senate President, RC/NC
Gregory Taylor, General Counsel, SCCCCD
Gurdeep Sihota-He'Bert, SCCC Foundation
Darlene Roach, Counselor, FCC
Sallie Pfeiffer-Turpen, Child Development Instructor, WI/NC
Venancio Gaona, Retired Fresno City College Instructor

Approval of Minutes	The minutes of the Board workshop and regular meeting of July 7, 2009, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Ms. Barreras to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2009, meeting, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
Delegations, Petitions, and Communications	None.
Swearing In/Affirming of New Student Trustees	Dr. Crow administered the Oath of Allegiance to Reedley College Student Trustee, Ms. Alexandria Morales. Mr. Smith welcomed Ms. Morales and stated the importance of student trustees in providing student representation to the Board of Trustees.

Chancellor's Report

Dr. Crow welcomed everyone to the Willow International Center and thanked Dr. Kershaw and staff for hosting the Board of Trustees meeting and the tour of the Phase II construction of the Willow International Center.

Dr. Crow reported the following:

Trustee Award – This past May, the Community College League of California recognized trustees who have provided leadership for over 20, 30 and 40 year milestones. The Fulfilling the Trust award, given annually at the California Community College Trustees Conference, was created to recognize their unwavering commitment and years of exemplary service to their colleges and community. In May, Trustee Pat Patterson attended the conference and received his award first-hand for over 25 years of service to SCCC. Board President William J. Smith, like Trustee Patterson, has been an integral part of SCCC and the community for over 25 years, but Mr. Smith was not able to attend the conference in May to receive his award in person. Dr. Crow took the opportunity of the August 4 Board of Trustees meeting to present the distinguished service award to Mr. Smith stating, “on behalf of SCCC, the Community College League of California, and your fellow trustees who serve throughout the state, it is an honor to present this recognition of your outstanding service.”

Fall Enrollment – Referencing a recent *Fresno Bee* article, which describes State Center's booming enrollment, Dr. Crow said not only did we experience record enrollments this summer, but there are no signs that the fall semester will be any different. Nearly every site is near capacity and many sections have long waiting lists. Never in the history of the SCCC have we experienced not only the largest increase in enrollment, but also one of the worst case budget scenarios for the state. The Board would be receiving a budget update presentation from Mr. Brinkley later in the meeting detailing how the budget will impact SCCC's ability to serve a record-breaking number of students while facing the biggest budget deficit in California's history.

Willow/International – Dr. Crow thanked Dr. Terry Kershaw and his staff for hosting tonight's meeting at the Willow/International Center. Earlier in the afternoon, Board members and others had the opportunity to tour Phase II of this impressive educational complex. SCCC has received a progress payment for the construction and are confident, despite the aforementioned budget crisis, that funding will be received for completion of the project. A piece of good news in these difficult times.

Campus Reports

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

- The California Opera Association held an international vocal competition at the Willow International Center as part of the Arts and Education Festival held in July.
- The Valley Coalition for UC Merced Medical School hosted a community meeting at the Madera Center on July 23 giving community members the chance to voice their views and recommendations about the proposed UC Merced School of Medicine.
- The Duty Day agenda on August 13 at Willow International Center includes center updates, personnel, Strategic Plan, Educational Master Plan, College Center Council Handbook, and kick-off of accreditation self-study.
- The Board of Trustees is invited to the September 22, 10 a.m., official dedication of the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) building at the Madera Center. The 7800 square foot building project was made possible by \$3.6 million Measure E bond monies.

Dr. Azari reported the following from Fresno City College:

- Fall semester preparations are underway with a number of events for students prior to the first day of classes including a "Survivor Night" at the campus bookstore, and Keys to City new student orientation.
- The Board is invited to attend the Fall 2009 opening meeting for faculty and staff on August 13.
- A welcome team, organized by the Student Activities Office, will be assisting students the first week of classes.
- A Job Prep Boot Camp is taking place the weekend of August 8 in the FCC Theatre; the Employment Resource Center is helping Human Resources Association of Central California organize the event.
- The FCC Football Wall of Fame dinner is August 16. Eight former players will be inducted: Jack Erdman, Brad Ford, Frank Jones, Scott Leonard, Harry Mestjian, Votie Patterson, Robbie Quinn and Mike Silva. Cornerstone inductees are Butch Turner and Woody Wilk.
- A \$250,000 grant will fund a project to provide a seamless transition between associate degree and bachelor's degree nursing programs. The FCC and West Hills collaboration will work in conjunction with CSU, Fresno, Dominguez Hills, and Stanislaus; Fresno Pacific University; National University and University of Phoenix.
- The annual Scholarship Reception will be held August 21 at the FCC Library Reference Room. Over 340 scholarships will be awarded totaling over \$175,000 for the academic year.

Campus Reports
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Dr. Hioco reported the following from Reedley College:

- Javier Renteria will be presenting a Reedley College best practice at the ACCT conference on October 9. He will be sharing the success of the Student Athlete Retention Program. Also, Mario Gonzales will be discussing Reedley College's online counseling.
- Reedley College was awarded a \$300,000 HSI grant for Partners in Ag Leadership (PAL), which encourages high school students to pursue a higher education in agriculture.
- RC has been hosting a Free Sustainable Summer Session every Wednesday at 7 p.m.
- The Upward Bound Program held its annual Summer Awards Banquet on July 29.
- The workshops for adjunct faculty and new faculty will be held to review faculty handbook, contract, evaluation process, WebAdvisor, Blackboard and other online resources
- New Student Orientation will include a morning session and an evening session. Parents may also attend workshops given in English and Spanish.

Academic Senate
Report

Mr. Tom Mester, Reedley College and North Centers Academic Senate President reported the following:

- Towards the end of the Spring 2009 semester, the Senate approved the third cycle of the RC Program Review Handbook, approved a revision to the college catalog, passed a resolution concerning the timely dropping of students with poor academic standing, approved several screening committees, and discussed several other issues including the budget.
- Over the summer the RC Equivalency Committee acted upon several petitions and the RC Academic Senate Executive Committee acted upon one equivalency appeal.
- RC and NC administrations have kept the Senate informed of any new budget information, and the Senate and faculty are cognizant of their responsibility to work with administration in slimming down to the projected budget, including expected mid-year cuts.
- Faculty are preparing for the start of Fall 2009 semester, and looking forward to the opening of the Physical Science labs at Reedley College and the new Center for Advanced Manufacturing at Madera Center.

Classified Senate
Report

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

- This is his second year of his two-year term as Classified Senate President.

Classified Senate
Report (continued)

- Senate elections were held and are recruiting members to fill vacant Senate positions.
- November 11 is the FCC classified staff development day. The Classified Senate is funding the activities with money they have through fundraising.
- The Classified Senate will be holding another fundraiser in September by selling Red Carpet Car Wash coupons.
- The Classified Senate continues to participate in shared governance and members are serving on campus committees.

Special Presentation –
Child Development
Program Update

Dr. Kershaw reported that SCCCD, Clovis Unified School District and the State of California partnered to bring about the funding and completion of the Willow International state-of-the-art Child Development Center two years ago and also received a \$280,000 grant from Fresno County. The facility is now a fully staffed and occupied lab that not only benefits our child development students who work with the children, but also the children of our students and employees.

Ms. Kelly Fowler, Dean of Instruction at WI reported the Child Development Center has a dual role offering preschool education to the students of WI, and providing exceptional learning experiences for high school and college students taking child development, psychology and pre-teaching courses. The facility has lecture rooms, offices, toddler and preschool laboratories, and a large playground. Ms. Pfeiffer discussed the project-based curriculum and various ways students use the instructional facility for observation, student teaching, practical applications from curriculum classes, and environmental experiences.

Mr. Norm Anderson, Principal of Clovis North Educational Center, reported that the partnership of the full educational center concept of a high school and community college located together is working very well. He discussed how some of Clovis North classes are working with the WI Child Development Program. They are looking forward to starting their child development curriculum and careers in education classes next year.

Consent Agenda
Action

Mr. Smith announced that Consent Agenda Item 09-20HR Academic Personnel has been amended. Copies of the amended exhibit were provided.

The consent agenda was presented for approval. Mr. Smith announced that he had requests to pull Items 09-20HR and 09-21HR for clarification or discussion.

Consent Agenda
(continued)
Action

It was moved by Mr. Thonesen and seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board of Trustees approve Consent Agenda Items 09-22HR, and 09-76G through 09-85G, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A question was directed to General Counsel Greg Taylor asking if the pulled items 09-20HR and 09-21HR could be discussed in closed session. Mr. Taylor advised that only personnel items that are hiring, firing, discipline, evaluation are appropriate for closed session. The pulled items are part of the posted public agenda.

Discussion and action on Consent Items 09-20HR and 09-21HR are recorded below.

Employment, Change
of Status, Resignation,
Leave, Academic
Personnel
[09-20HR]
Action

Ms. Smith asked for clarification on Part B of the amended exhibit for Item 09-20HR, Academic Personnel Recommendations – Change of Contracted Duty Days, which recommends a change of duty days for two categorical counselors, one to decrease duty days and one to increase. Ms. Smith asked to know the rationale for the change in duty days and also what the contracted duty days are for the categorical program supervisors.

Ms. Barreras asked how seniority is used when making contractual changes. She also expressed concern for cuts to services for students, such as counseling, and asked if other places are being looked at to make cuts, as well.

Mr. Patterson expressed the need for a budget study session for the Board in order for the members to become more involved in the discussion of the budget and be prepared to make budget decisions as items come up at the Board meetings. He stated he has serious concerns about reductions in categorical funding and how the positions are affected. He noted that the federal stimulus money to offset categorical cuts is only funded for one year.

Ms. Barreras said the questions the Board have been asking are a good example of why a study session is needed to discuss how we are going to tackle this budget crisis, including learning about personnel matters such as reclassifications and out-of-class work.

Mr. Rowe responded to questions from Mr. Smith and other Board members stating that DSPS and EOPS are the only two categorical programs set apart in Education Code 87470. The full-time faculty hired in these two programs are tenure track and would have tenure rights even if the program funding fell away. He also addressed questions in regard to the two positions being recommended for contractual duty day changes in Consent

Employment, Change
of Status, Resignation,
Leave, Academic
Personnel
[09-20HR] (continued)
Action

Agenda Item 09-20HR, Part B. One position is an EOPS position and is a tenured position; the other is not an EOPS or DSPS position, and therefore it is not a tenure track position.

Mr. Smith asked if the action on the two consent items should be delayed until information requested by the two trustees could be provided, or if it was essential that the Board take action on the two items at this meeting.

Mr. Smith asked for a motion to table 09-20HR until the following meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Ms. Barreras. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Ms. Barreras to amend the motion in order to table only Part B of 09-20HR and to approve Item 09-20HR, Parts A (as amended), C (as amended) and D (as presented). The motion passed unanimously. (Lists A, C, and D are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix I, 09-20HR)

Employment, Change
of Status, Transfer,
Leave of Absence,
Resignation,
Retirement, Classified
Personnel
[09-21HR]
Action

Mr. Smith asked for questions or discussion on Item 09-21HR (Classified Personnel Recommendations) which was pulled from the consent agenda by Ms. Barreras for clarification. Ms. Barreras stated that her question concerned Part C of the exhibit for Item 09-21HR (Human Resources Assistant assigned to out-of-class work as a Human Resources Analyst). Mr. Rowe explained the employee works for the District Human Resources Department, not the Personnel Commission, and whenever we are dealing with reclassifications, and reclassifications only, we require her to do a study to analyze the reclassification request and also to analyze the Director of Classified Personnel's recommendations. When she enters into those job duties, which are listed in the Human Resources Analyst's classification specification, and those duties last longer than five days in fifteen calendar days, she is paid at the higher classification. According to the education code, which aligns to the Personnel Commission rules, whenever a classified employee, confidential or not, is requested to do duties that are in a higher classification that last longer than five in fifteen calendar days, that employee must be paid at that rate during the time they are doing the out-of-class work. Mr. Rowe also explained that the Personnel Commission does the reclassifications, but the rules indicate that either CSEA, the bargaining unit representative, the employee requesting the reclassification or the District may appeal the reclassification recommendation by the Director of Classified Personnel. In order for the District to determine if there should be an appeal, the HR Department needs to do a study of the reclassification. In some cases, this employee can perform the assignment in less than five days; however, in this case there were several reclassifications

Employment, Change of Status, Transfer, Leave of Absence, Resignation, Retirement Classified Personnel [09-21HR] (continued) Action

that needed to be completed to meet a timeline for a special Personnel Commission meeting. It became necessary for the employee to work out-of-class for more than five days to perform the duties for the District.

Ms. Smith made the motion and Ms. Barreras seconded the motion to approve 09-21HR. The motion passed unanimously. (Lists A through G are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix II, 09-21HR)

Consideration to Approve Employment of Part-Time Faculty, Summer 2009, Fresno City College, Reedley College, and North Centers [09-22HR] Action

approve employment of part-time faculty for Fresno City College, Reedley College, and North Centers for Summer 2009, as presented

Consideration of District Membership in Educational Organizations [09-76G] Action

approve institutional membership in the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) for 2009-2010 in the amount of \$5,668.00; institutional membership in the Community College League of California (CCLC) for 2009-2010 in the amount of \$29,949.00; and institutional membership in Community Colleges for International Development (CCID) in the amount of \$6,250.00

Review of District Warrants and Checks [09-77G] Action

review and sign the warrants register for the period June 27, 2009, to July 24, 2009, in the amount of \$9,503,645.36; 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 June 23, 2009, to July 24, 2009, in the amount of \$1, 063,375.91

Consideration of District Bank Accounts [09-78G] Action

approve the list of District bank accounts revised and updated to reflect accounts and signatories in place as of July 31, 2009

Consideration to Authorize Agreement with the Clovis Community Development Agency for Construction of 2009-10 Project House, Fresno City College [09-79G] Action

- a) authorize an agreement with the Clovis Community Development Agency (CCDA) for the construction of the 2009-10 project house located at 1411 Morris Avenue, Clovis, with property and materials in the approximate amount of \$136,000 fully funded by the CCDA; and
- b) authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign the agreement on behalf of the District

Consideration to
Authorize an
Agreement with the
California Community
Colleges Chancellor's
Office for the
Chancellor's Office
Tax Offset Program
(COTOP)
[09-80G]
Action

- a) authorize the District to enter into an agreement with the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office for participation in the Chancellor's Office Tax Offset Program (COTOP); and
- b) authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign the agreement on behalf of the District

Consideration to
Authorize Agreement
with the California
Community Colleges
Chancellor's Office for
Perkins Statewide
Advisory Committee
for Agriculture and
National Resources,
Reedley College
[09-81G]
Action

- a) authorize the District, on behalf of Reedley College, to enter into an agreement with the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to coordinate and participate in the Perkins Statewide Advisory Committee for Agriculture and Natural Resources, with funding in the amount of \$38,000 for the period July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010;
- 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
Accept Construction
Project, Site Work,
Portable Classroom
Additions, Oakhurst
Center
[09-82G]
Action

- a) accept the project for Site Work, Portable Classroom Additions, Oakhurst Center; and
- b) authorize the Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder

Consideration to
Accept Construction
Project, Occupational
Education Building,
Madera Center
[09-83G]
Action

- a) accept the project for Occupational Education Building, Madera Center; and
- b) authorize the Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder

Consideration of Bids,
Security Equipment
and Installation,
Reedley College
[09-84G]
Action

award Bid #0910-02 in the amount of \$66,900.00 to Kertel Communications, Inc., dba Sebastian, the lowest responsible bidder for the security equipment and installation at Reedley College, and authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign an agreement on behalf of the District

Consideration of Bids,
Audio/Video
Equipment and
Installation, Reedley
College
[09-85G]
Action

award Bid #0910-03 in the amount of \$77,975.00 to Kertel Communications, Inc., dba Sebastian, the lowest responsible bidder for the audio/video equipment and installation 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*****

Budget Update
[09-45]
No Action

Mr. Brinkley presented a status report on the 2009-10 SCCC budget. Copies of the slide presentation were provided for the Board and attendees.

Mr. Brinkley provided the following considerations for the 2009-10 budget:

- No enrollment growth funding
- System apportionment cuts total \$410.8 million
- Fall 2009 student fees increase from \$20 to \$26 per unit
- Workload reductions translate into funding for fewer student FTES
- 50% rule remains in place
- Categorical funding is being cut tremendously, totaling \$343 million
- One-time federal stimulus funding is currently estimated in the range of \$60 million (reduced from \$130 million).

In Mr. Brinkley's 2009-10 general fund presentation, he discussed the details of the loss in revenue for SCCC; strategies implemented to balance the budget; and changes from adopted tentative budget to the final 2009-10 budget. The tentative budget prepared without growth was \$137 million. The final budget after cuts is \$131 million. The allocations to the district office and operations, colleges, and centers has been reduced by 2.5%.

Mr. Brinkley presented the 2009-10 categorically funded program budgets and described the cuts to the major categorical programs. The 2009-10 estimated categorical program cuts based on the

Budget Update
[09-45] (continued)
No Action

current state budget are at \$5 million. The programs of basic skills, CalWORKs, DSPS, EOPS/Care have been cut by 32%; student financial aid administration has been cut by 24% and matriculation, part-time faculty compensation are cut 62%, and instructional supplies and scheduled maintenance are cut 100%.

Discussion and questions from the Board included the following to further educate the Board by providing information, updates or study sessions:

- Increase in enrollment and who is going to pay for it
- Where does the \$20 to \$26 fee increase go
- Basic skills funding cuts and how to provide instruction for students to succeed in college
- Discussion with K-12 regarding basic skills, curriculum alignment and college preparation
- Remediation limits and where the emphasis should be placed
- Ability to benefit
- How to compensate for funding cuts in services because students are still enrolling
- Board members need to be informed how clientele are served.
- Hold a study session for the Board to become more involved because it is an important part of what the Board does. Discuss how the budget is allocated and include class offerings, curriculum, personnel (job classifications, working out of class, tenure, etc.)

Consideration to Enter
into Agreement with
African American
Historical and Cultural
Museum of the San
Joaquin Valley
[09-46]
Action

Ms. Smith stated that she has suggested SCCCDC take advantage of an opportunity to enter into a partnership with the African American Historical and Cultural Museum. SCCCDC has been involved with the museum for many years, and this would be an opportune time to form a partnership that could provide needed space for remediation, classes, services and cultural arts for the community. She said, "It would give the community and our students the opportunity to go two steps beyond to see the culture that is there." The African American Museum is located near the Fresno Metropolitan Museum, Arte Americas, and is part of downtown revitalization.

Ms. Barreras and Mr. Patterson asked if SCCCDC has, or has had partnerships with Arte Americas and Fresno Metropolitan Museum.

Ms. Smith introduced Mr. Ray Johnson, Executive Director of the African American Museum, and recognized two additional individuals to address the Board: Ms. Darlene Roach, Counselor

Consideration to Enter
into Agreement with
African American
Historical and Cultural
Museum of the San
Joaquin Valley
[09-46] (continued)
Action

with Fresno City College, and Ms. Cindy Dunn, TRIO Program Coordinator at Fresno City College.

Ms. Roach addressed the Board stating that she is affiliated with two programs at Fresno City College that are specifically designed to meet the needs of African American students, the IDILE and the SYMBAA programs. Community partner and community service components are important when looking for grant resources, and it is one of the objectives in these programs to look for outside resources that can help bring in grant money for the college. She spoke of development of a docent program for training FCC students to work as docents at the African American Museum, Fresno Art Museum and others. A mentoring program could also use FCC students and alumni to mentor students in schools local to downtown.

Ms. Dunn spoke to the Board in her capacity as coordinator of the TRIO program and also as the recently elected Executive Director of the Fresno Arts Council. She spoke of the very invigorating movement downtown within the cultural arts district stating that the arts council supports this proposal to bring Fresno City College downtown to work with arts organizations.

Ms. Dunn gives her support of the SCCC and African American Museum partnership, and the potential it has for cultural arts and student development.

Mr. Ray Johnson, Executive Director of African American Museum, spoke to the Board about the background of the museum and about outreach to the community through student enrichment programs to help disadvantaged students. These programs, funded by other sources, included instruction in math, English, reading, writing, and cultural history. Because these students have dreams of college, Fresno City College has been the beneficiary. Mr. Johnson explained that the African American Museum wants to move from an informal relationship with SCCC into a more formal arrangement and have Fresno City College join in a collaborative effort that is already underway with the City, County and high schools to help disadvantaged students. Mr. Johnson said that they need a partnership that includes some financial compensation and are asking SCCC to provide funding of \$96,000 of which they will also have funding in return in order to have a real total effort to help disadvantaged and low income kids and the community. Everyone has joined the collaborative but SCCC, and they are looking forward to SCCC being part of it.

Ms. Barreras asked if there are other partnerships or other entities willing to also participate monetarily.

Consideration to Enter
into Agreement with
African American
Historical and Cultural
Museum of the San
Joaquin Valley
[09-46] (continued)
Action

Mr. Caglia commented that he has met with Mr. Johnson and toured the upstairs of the museum. He said he likes the concept of the partnership proposal and thought he could support it. But, he fears moving forward with a motion for the \$96,000 would be premature for the Board at this time. He commended Mr. Johnson for coming forward with the proposal and the work with the African American Museum. He stated his support for the downtown revitalization, but in regard to the agreement, he said that staff would need time to evaluate a lot of the issues that would come up. He said the presentation does serve to open the floor for discussion in a formal setting in public for further consideration.

Ms. Smith said she supports it because it has so many positives. Having just come back from ACCT Board of Directors meeting where there is an emphasis on diversity and to be recognized for diversity. She said this is an opportunity she hopes her fellow Board members will also support.

Mr. Barreras said that she very much likes the idea, especially the idea to partner with the Fresno Metropolitan and the Arte Americans because there are a lot other entities out there that need to be included. She concurs with Mr. Caglia that it would be too early to make a decision now. She would like to see the staff provide more information so the Board can make a decision.

Mr. Feaver said he would like to see it written down in detail in order to understand what the museum is trying to do for State Center. He has concerns because of the budget cuts and wants to wait and see the proposal in written detail.

There was additional discussion regarding getting matching grants, which may not provide all the pieces such as costs for rent and utilities.

Mr. Caglia made the motion and seconded by Ms. Barreras to table the item until the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Bids,
Remodel of
Forestry/Engineering/
Math Building and Life
Science Labs, Reedley
College
[09-47]
Action

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Ms. Barreras that the Board award Bid #0910-01 in the amount of \$186,879.00, including additive alternates 2, 3 and 4, to BMY Construction Group, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder for the remodel of the Forestry/Engineering/Math Building and Life Science Labs at Reedley College, and authorize the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign an agreement on behalf of the District.

Reports of Board
Members

Ms. Alexandria Morales, RC Student Trustee, expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to serve as a student trustee for Reedley College. She said her goal is to gain experiences on the Board that will help the colleges and also help her succeed in her future endeavors. Ms. Morales reported the following:

- The fall semester will be off to a very exciting start with radio stations and daily activities during the noon hour for the new and returning students during Welcome Week, August 17-21.
- The Student Activities Office is kicking off the weekly “Spirit Fridays” on August 21. All faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to wear their school colors. The ASB is offering an incentive for anyone showing their tiger spirit to enter a monthly drawing for a free lunch.
- The Associated Student Government will be encouraging more community service among RC students and is working with “Hands on Central CA” to connect volunteers to central valley organizations and the local community.
- Club Rush is September 9, and the ASB extends a big thank you to all advisors who offer their valuable time to students.
- Homecoming 2009 is Saturday, October 17 at 7 p.m.
- ASB students are anticipating a great response when the student center is completed.

Ms. Smith attended an ACCT meeting in Washington, DC in July. She continues to encourage SCCC to submit applications for awards at the national conferences, and also to be sure that the applications are completed properly. ACCT will disqualify applications that are not thoroughly prepared. Ms. Smith is emailing information from the conference to her fellow Board members. She also recommended a book entitled, *The Rogue Trustee*, which talks about trusteeship from a CEO’s perspective.

Old Business

None.

Future Agenda Items

None.

Delegations, Petitions,
and Communications

None.

Closed Session

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

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT /EMPLOYMENT,
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

1. Title: Vice President, Student Services, Reedley College
2. Title: Vice President, Student Services, Fresno City College

Closed Session
(continued)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/ DISMISSAL/ RELEASE,
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, and
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL
LITIGATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section
54956.9(b)(3)(A)

Mr. Smith called a recess of open session at 7:19 p.m.

Open Session

The Board moved into open session at 8:34 p.m.

Report of Closed
Session

Mr. Smith reported no action was taken in closed session.

Consideration to
Appoint Vice
President, Student
Services,
Reedley College
[09-48]
Action

It was moved by Mr. Feaver and seconded by Ms. Smith to
appoint Mr. Michael White as the Vice President, Student
Services, Reedley College with placement on the management
salary schedule at Range 66, Step 5 (\$11,096 per month),
effective August 5, 2009. The motion passed by roll call vote:

Ms. Barreras – No (budget reasons)
Mr. Caglia – Yes
Mr. Feaver – Yes
Mr. Patterson – No (budget reasons)
Ms. Smith – Yes
Mr. Thonesen – Yes
Mr. Smith – Yes

Consideration to
Appoint Vice
President, Student
Services, Fresno City
College
[09-49]
Action

The motion was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Feaver
to appoint Dr. Christopher Villa as the Vice President, Student
Services, Fresno City College with placement on the management
salary schedule at Range 66, Step 8 (\$12,178 per month),
effective August 24, 2009. The motion passed by roll call vote:

Ms. Barreras – No (budget reasons)
Mr. Caglia – Yes
Mr. Feaver – Yes
Mr. Patterson – No (budget reasons)
Ms. Smith – Yes
Mr. Thonesen – Yes
Mr. Smith – Yes

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by the unanimous
consent of the Board.

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