

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 13, 2015

- Call to Order                    A regular meeting of the State Center Community College District Board of Trustees was called to order by Board President Ron Nishinaka at 4:35 p.m. on January 13, 2015, in the District Office Board Room, 1525 E. Weldon Avenue, Fresno, California.
- Trustees Present                Ron Nishinaka, President  
Richard Caglia, Vice President (5:15 p.m.)  
John Leal, Secretary  
Miguel Arias (4:50 p.m.)  
Robert "Bobby" Kahn Jr.  
Pat Patterson  
Eric Payne  
Garret Hale, Student Trustee, FCC  
Matthew Rodriguez, Student Trustee, RC
- Also present were:  
Bill F. Stewart, Interim 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, Clovis Community College Center  
Diane Clerou, Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, SCCC  
Christine Miktarian, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor of Business and Operations, SCCC  
Greg Taylor, General Counsel, SCCC  
Lucy Ruiz, Interim Executive Director, Public and Legislative Relations, SCCC  
Pedro Avila, Assistant to the Chancellor, Enrollment Management, Admissions, Records, and Information Services  
Nina Acosta, Executive Secretary to the Chancellor, SCCC
- Approval of Minutes            The minutes of the regular meeting of December 9, 2014, were presented for approval.
- A motion was made by Trustee Kahn and seconded by Trustee Leal to approve the minutes of December 9, 2014, as presented. The motion passed without dissent.

Consideration to  
Accept 2013-2014  
Audit Report  
[15-01]  
Action

Ed Eng introduced Jeff Jensen of the audit firm of Crowe Horwath LLP. Mr. Jensen reviewed the findings for the 2013-2014 audit report.

A motion was made by Trustee Payne and seconded by Trustee Arias that the Board of Trustees accept the 2013-2014 audit report, as submitted by the firm of Crowe Horwath LLP. The motion carried without dissent.

Public Comment

Student Michael Rutigliano addressed the Board regarding the possibility of student housing for Fresno City College.

Joint District and  
Campus Presidents'  
Reports

Reedley College President Sandra Caldwell reported on topics of interest from the District, Fresno City College, Reedley College, the Oakhurst and Madera Centers, and the Clovis Community College Center.

Academic Senate  
Report

Clovis Community College Center Academic Senate President Elizabeth Romero reported on several activities taking place at the Clovis Community College Center.

Classified Senate  
Report

Clovis Community College Center Classified Senate President Leslie Rata reported on several classified employee activities at Clovis Community College Center.

Historical  
Preservation Award  
for Old  
Administration  
Building

Brian Speece introduced Kurt Schindler who presented the National Trust for Historic Preservation award to the Board for the Old Administration Building.

Districtwide  
Legislative  
Committee

Lucy Ruiz presented information on the proposed Districtwide Legislative Committee and its charge. It will serve as advisory to the Chancellor and the Board. She asked for a volunteer from the Board to serve on the committee. Trustee Arias asked if there would be a budget associated with this committee. Trustee Arias asked if the Board will be able to take a position or action, separate from this committee. Ms. Ruiz stated the Board always has the option to make a recommendation on its own without the input of the committee. John Leal will serve as the Board's representative.

Reports of Board Members

RC Student Trustee Matthew Rodriguez reported on student activities taking place in the month of January at Reedley College.

Trustees Arias, Kahn, Payne, Leal and Nishinaka reported on several events they attended throughout the months of December and January. Trustee Payne stated the City of Fresno Martin Luther King Unity Committee will be hosting a candlelight vigil on January 17 at FCC in recognition of the legacy of former City Council Member Mr. Les Kimber, the first African American elected to public office in the City of Fresno. He requested a moment of silence for Mr. Kimber. He asked that his comments be referenced in the minutes and passed on to the family of Les Kimber.

Future Agenda Items

Miguel Arias requested an update on AB540 students in the District. Dr. Stewart will follow up and provide the Board with a written report.

Eric Payne restated his request regarding the West Fresno Center and Facilities Master Plan.

Eric Payne requested a joint meeting with Fresno City Council to discuss some of the issues regarding the general plan. Dr. Stewart recommends a later date after the District and the Board identify the issues regarding the southeast site.

Trustee Kahn would like “Future Board Agenda Items” placed on the Board retreat agenda for discussion. He would recommend removing it from future regular Board agendas. Agenda requests should go through the Board President or the Chancellor. The Board is setting itself up for Brown Act violations by continuing to include “Future Agenda Items” on the regular agendas.

Trustee Arias does not want to discuss major issues in a retreat setting without giving the public the opportunity to participate.

Consideration of Consent Agenda Action

Trustee Arias requested to pull 15-02G, 15-04G, 15-08G, and 15-10G for discussion.

It was moved by Trustee Patterson and seconded by Trustee Arias that the Board of Trustees approve consent agenda items 15-01HR through 15-02HR and 15-01G, 15-03G, 15-05G through 15-07, and 15-09G, as presented. The motion carried without dissent.

Consideration of  
Consent Agenda  
Action (continued)

Trustee Arias asked for additional information on item 15-02. He had concerns about the AB540 students. Doris Griffin, CCCC Dean of Students, stated that students who are potentially going to be charged out-of-state fees are contacted by the centralized admissions and records staff to inform them about the AB540 process and encourage those eligible to apply. There is significant follow-up with the students.

Trustee Arias asked for additional information on items 15-04G, 15-08G, and 15-10G.

It was moved by Trustee Arias and seconded by Trustee Caglia that the Board of Trustees approve consent agenda items 15-02G, 15-04G, 15-08G, and 15-10G as presented. The motion carried without dissent.

Employment, Change  
of Status, Leave of  
Absence, Resignation,  
Retirement,  
Academic Personnel  
[15-01HR]  
Action

Approve the academic personnel recommendations, items A through E, as presented

Employment,  
Promotion, Change of  
Status, Transfer,  
Leave of Absence,  
Resignation,  
Retirement, Classified  
Personnel  
[15-02HR]  
Action

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

Review of District  
Warrants and Checks  
[15-01G]  
Action

Review and approve the warrants register for the following accounts:

<u>Account:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>	<u>For the Period:</u>
District	\$14,678,561.69	11/18/14 to 12/16/14
Fresno City College Bookstore	399,398.68	11/19/14 to 12/22/14
Reedley College Bookstore	419,856.48	11/18/14 to

Review of District Warrants and Checks [15-01G]	Fresno City College Co-Curricular	139,279.27	12/22/14 11/18/14 to 12/21/14
<u>Action</u> (continued)	Reedley College Co-Curricular	72,735.33	11/15/14 to 12/17/14
	Total:	<u>\$ 15,709,831.45</u>	

Consideration to Approve 2015-2016 Tuition Rate, Nonresident Students [15-02G]  
Action

Establish the 2015-2016 tuition rate for nonresident students (students who are not residents of California) at \$235, which includes a \$14 capital outlay fee, for each unit enrolled

Consideration to Approve Summer/Fall 2015 Schedule of Instructional Materials Fees, Districtwide [15-03G]  
Action

Approve the Summer/Fall 2015 Schedules of Instructional Materials Fees for Fresno City College and Reedley College (including Clovis Community College Center)

Consideration to Accept Construction Project, Sidewalk Addition, Clovis Community College Center [15-04G]  
Action

Accept the project for Sidewalk Addition, Clovis Community College Center; and authorize the Interim Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder

Consideration to Accept Construction Project, Building A, Veterans Resource Center Remodel, Fresno City College [15-05G]  
Action

Accept the project for Building A, Veterans Resource Center Remodel, Fresno City College; and authorize the Interim Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder

Consideration to  
Approve Out-of-State  
Student Travel to  
Music Teachers  
National Association  
Conference  
[15-06G]  
Action

Approve out-of-state travel for students to attend the MTNA Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, on March 21-25, 2015, with the understanding that the trip will be financed without requiring expenditures of college or district funds

Consideration to  
Approve Netherlands  
Faculty/Administrator  
Exchange  
Program, Spring 2015  
[15-07G]  
Action

Approve the offering of the spring 2015 Faculty/Administrator Professional Development Exchange Program to Gouda, Netherlands, and approve Gretchen Nelson and Anne Watts as participants for this program

Consideration to  
Approve Purchase of  
Portable Building,  
Police Academy,  
Fresno City College  
[15-08G]  
Action

Authorize a purchase order in the amount of \$76,480 to American Modular Systems, utilizing the current Biggs Unified School District contract, for the acquisition of a portable building to be placed at the Police Academy at Fresno City College

Consideration to  
Adopt Resolution  
Authorizing  
Emergency Repair at  
AC1 Classrooms,  
Clovis Community  
College Center  
[15-09G]  
Action

- a) By unanimous vote, authorize Emergency Resolution No. 2015.01 for Emergency Resolution No. 2015.01 for Emergency Repair at AC1 Building, Clovis Community College Center, in accordance with Public Contract Code section 20654(a); and
- b) Accept approval from the County Superintendent of Schools for the Emergency Repair at AC1 Building, Clovis Community College Center; and
- c) Authorize the Interim Chancellor or Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration to sign an agreement on behalf of the District

Consideration to  
Authorize Agreement  
with California Career  
Pathways Trust for  
the Paramount  
Agriculture Career  
Academy, Reedley  
College  
[15-10G]  
Action

- a) Authorize the District, on behalf of Reedley College, to enter into an agreement with the California Career Pathway Trust for the period March 12, 2014, through June 30, 2017, with funding in the amount of \$148,360;
- b) Authorize renewal of the agreement with similar terms and conditions; and
- c) Authorize the Interim Chancellor or Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration to sign an agreement on behalf of the District

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

Second Reading of  
Clovis Community  
College Center Self  
Evaluation Report for  
Initial Accreditation  
[15-02]  
Action

Deborah Ikedapresented the Clovis Community College Center Self Evaluation Report.

A motion was made by Trustee Kahn and seconded by Trustee Leal that the Board of Trustees approve the Clovis Community College Center Self Evaluation Report for Initial Accreditation. The motion carried without dissent.

Consideration to  
Adopt 2015-2016  
Budget Development  
Calendar  
[15-03]  
Action

Ed Eng presented 2015-2016 Budget Development Calendar.

A motion was made by Trustee Caglia and seconded by Trustee Kahn that the Board of Trustees approve the 2015-2016 Budget Development Calendar, as presented. The motion carried without dissent.

Consideration to  
Approve Chancellor  
Search and  
Recruitment Timeline  
[15-04]  
Action

Diane Clerou presented a proposed Chancellor search and recruitment timeline, to begin in April 2015, and a goal of a new chancellor starting on or around March 17, 2016.

Trustee Payne made and Trustee Arias seconded a motion to suspend the administration's recommendation and immediately hire an external search firm. It was pointed out that consideration to hire an external search firm was not on the agenda, and the motion was amended to only reject the administration's proposed timeline. The motion failed.

Trustee Kahn moved to accept the administration's proposed timeline, seconded by Trustee Caglia. The motion failed. Trustee Patterson stated that he voted "no" because he believed that the new chancellor's start date should be July 1, 2016.

Consideration to  
Approve Chancellor  
Search and  
Recruitment Timeline  
[15-04]  
Action (continued)

Trustee Arias, seconded by Trustee Caglia, moved to instruct administration to bring back to the February meeting a recruitment timeline that begins in March 2015. The motion passed.

Consideration to  
Appoint Interim Dean  
of Student Services,  
Reedley College  
[15-05]  
Action

Diane Clerou provided information regarding the recommendation of Julie Preston-Smith for the position of Interim Dean of Student Services, Reedley College.

A motion was made by Trustee Payne and seconded by Trustee Arias that the Board of Trustees appoint Ms. Julie Preston-Smith to serve as Interim Dean of Student Services, Reedley College, with placement on the Management Salary Schedule at Range 62 Step 8 (\$11,460.58 monthly), effective January 14, 2015. The motion carried without dissent.

Public Comment

None

Closed Session

President Nishinaka stated that in closed session the Board will discuss the following:

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

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

Open Session

The Board moved into open session at 7:20 p.m.

President Nishinaka stated the Board did not take any reportable action during closed session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m. by unanimous consent.

John Leal /s/

John Leal  
Secretary, Board of Trustees  
State Center Community College District

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