

MINUTES

September 11, 2006
San Mateo, California

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

Board members present: President Mandelkern, Vice President-Clerk Hausman; Trustees Holober, Miljanich and Schwarz; Student Trustee Young

Others present: Chancellor Galatolo, Executive Vice Chancellor Keller, Cañada College Interim President Mohr, CSM Vice President Claire (for President Kelly), Skyline College President Morrow, and District Academic Senate President Kapp

Guests: Superintendent Mike Crilly, Jefferson Union High School District; Superintendent Pat Gemma, Sequoia Union High School District; and Superintendent Sam Johnson, San Mateo Union High School District

Pledge of Allegiance

STUDY SESSION

INFORMATION REPORT

06-9-1C Discussion with area superintendents regarding concurrent enrollment

President Mandelkern welcomed the guests to the meeting; Chancellor Galatolo opened discussion. He noted that the students from the three districts represented at this meeting account for a significant proportion of the County's student population in terms of numbers and diversity. He said that the College District's objectives include expansion of offerings to students beyond advanced placement programs and immersion of District programs at high school locations.

Superintendent Johnson opened discussion, noting that the high school districts all realize that it is imperative that all those concerned with the concurrent enrollment program do all that is necessary to provide a seamless experience for students from high school to college-level course work. He said that, at present, the College District's concurrent enrollment offerings are primarily in the visual and performing arts. He added that, as always, the students are the first priority and both the high school districts and the College District need to address the students' needs.

Superintendent Crilly stated that Advanced Placement (AP) classes have not been displaced by the District's concurrent enrollment classes. There is no competition between those two types of classes. He said that his high school district is very interested in concurrent enrollment opportunities and is particularly interested in publicizing those opportunities to those who are first-generation college students. He added that the only limitations at present are those involving space.

Superintendent Gemma stated that concurrent enrollment programs may not be for everyone. He stated that many students require extensive remediation before tackling college-level work. He added that video conferencing and on-line courses should also be considered as a means of expanding opportunities for students.

Canada College Interim President Mohr stated that AP courses are not accepted at all transfer institutions. He suggested that, to provide all interested students concurrent enrollment opportunities, the District should expand its course offerings to include vocational programs, as well as academic programs.

The Board expressed its appreciation for the presentations; thanked the Superintendents for their participation in the meeting; and encouraged them to publicize the District's plans to those high school districts that were unable to participate in this meeting.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None