

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
San Mateo County Community College District  
July 26, 2023 – San Mateo, CA**

This was conducted remotely via Zoom. A video recording of the meeting can be accessed at: <https://smccd.edu/boardoftrustees/meetings.php>.

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

**Board Members**

**Present:** President Lisa Petrides, Vice President John Pimentel, Trustee Richard Holober, Trustee Michael Guingona, and Trustee Wayne Lee

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

President Petrides stated that during Closed Session, the Board will take up items as listed on the printed agenda including: 1) Conference with Labor Negotiator - Agency Designated Representative: Randy Erickson and Richard Storti Employee Organizations: AFT; 2) Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Review of Goals - Chancellor; Evaluation - Chancellor; and 3) Liability Claims: Gov. Code 54956.95 | Workers' Compensation Claim: Four Cases | Agency Claimed Against: San Mateo County Community College District

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY**

No comments.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:04 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 6:13 p.m.

**Board Members**

**Present:** President Lisa Petrides, Vice President John Pimentel, Trustee Michael Guingona, Trustee Wayne Lee, and Student Trustee Arthur Veloso

**Board Members**

**Absent:** Trustee Richard Holober (absent at time of Roll Call; arrived at 6:15 p.m.)

**Others Present:**

Interim Chancellor Melissa Moreno, Executive Vice Chancellor Richard Storti, Acting Skyline College President Newin Orante, College of San Mateo President Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza, Cañada College President Kim Lopez, and District Academic Senate President Kate Williams Browne

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

*(Time Stamp: 1:13:39)*

President Petrides stated there are no reportable actions, and the Board will reconvene after Open Session.

## **DISCUSSION OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:13:45\)](#)

Interim Chancellor Moreno advised there are no changes to the agenda.

## **STATEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVES, ACADEMIC SENATE, AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:14:00\)](#)

- *Chancellor and Chancellor's Cabinet* – see the attached report in board packet. Interim Chancellor Moreno stated the Board had a good and informative Board Retreat on July 15<sup>th</sup> with Cindy Reis. She acknowledged Dr. Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza; and introduced O'KenZoe Brian Selassie and David McLain.
- *District Academic Senate President Browne* – she stated what the Senates are doing to prepare for the upcoming school year. She thanked the Board and District Administration for their leadership, as this is her last meeting as the District Academic Senate President.
- *Student Trustee Veloso* – he mentioned the Affirmative Action decision by the Supreme Court.

## **RECOGNITION OF THE PRESIDENT OF COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO**

### **Recognition and Adoption of Resolution No. 23-20 Honoring President of College of San Mateo, Dr. Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza (7.1)**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:21:50\)](#)

President Petrides made congratulatory and farewell comments about President Taylor-Mendoza, and read a resolution in her honor.

**Public Comment:** The following persons made congratulatory and farewell comments to President Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza.

1. Nicole of College of San Mateo
2. Dr. Jeremiah Sims
3. Dr. Frederick Gains
4. Brittney Sneed
5. Chief Ed Barberini
6. Alexis Lewis
7. Trustee Guingona
8. Trustee Lee
9. Trustee Holober
10. Vice President Pimentel

President Taylor-Mendoza made a few comments of appreciation to the Board, district administration, SMCCCD employees, etc.

## **RECESS FOR CONGRATULATORY CELEBRATION**

### **Celebratory Recess in Honor of President of College of San Mateo, Dr. Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza (8.1)**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:47:50\)](#)

The Board recessed at 6:50 p.m. to congratulate and celebrate President Taylor-Mendoza. Light refreshments were served.

**RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION***[\(Time Stamp: 1:48:00\)](#)*

The meeting reconvened from celebration at 7:10 p.m.

**STATEMENTS FROM OTHER REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS***[\(Time Stamp: 2:09:00\)](#)*

- AFT, Local 1493:** Michael Hoffman made statements on behalf of Union members and faculty.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS***[\(Time Stamp: 2:22:38\)](#)*

The following person commented on the new District Administrators.

1. Kolo Wamba

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES****Approval of Minutes from June 12, 2023 Special Meeting (11.1)***[\(Time Stamp: 2:26:54\)](#)*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Lee

*Second by:* Trustee Guingona

*Action:* Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* None.

*Public Comment:* None.

**Approval of Minutes from June 28, 2023 Regular Meeting (11.2)***[\(Time Stamp: 2:27:16\)](#)*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Lee

*Second by:* Trustee Guingona

*Action:* Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* None.

*Public Comment:* None.

**NEW BUSINESS****Approval of Personnel Items (12.1)***[\(Time Stamp: 2:27:35\)](#)*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Guingona

*Second by:* Trustee Lee

*Action:* Approved as amended, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* None.

*Public Comment:* None.

**Acceptance and Approval of Revised 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Dates (12.2)**

*(Time Stamp: 2:28:49)*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Lee

*Second by:* Trustee Guingona

*Action:* Approved, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* Interim Chancellor Moreno advised the dates now include a Special Meeting scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>. President Petrides commented on how the Board reviewed policies, etc. during the July 15<sup>th</sup> Board Retreat.

*Public Comment:* None.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

*(Time Stamp: 2:32:38)*

**Approval of Agreement with San Mateo Union High School District Regarding Middle College at Skyline College (13.1)**

*NOTE: This item was removed from the agenda for discussion, per AFT President Monica Malamud.*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Lee

*Second by:* Trustee Guingona

*Action:* Approved as amended, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* Faculty requests for the word “adjunct” to be removed from the agreement. Michael Hoffman commented.

**Approval of Agreement with South San Francisco Unified School District Regarding Middle College at Skyline College (13.2)**

*NOTE: This item was removed from the agenda for discussion, per AFT President Monica Malamud.*

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Lee

*Second by:* Trustee Guingona

*Action:* Approved as amended, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* Faculty requests for the word “adjunct” to be removed from the agreement. David Hasip commented.

**Approval of Contract Award for Meal Services for the Child Development Centers at College of San Mateo and Skyline College (13.3)**

***Motion to Approve by:*** Trustee Lee

***Second by:*** Trustee Guingona

***Action:*** Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting aye.

***Summary of Discussion:*** None.

**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Proposed Extension of the Third Amended Master Agreement between the District and Foundation (14.1)**

**[\(Time Stamp: 2:41:00\)](#)**

***Motion to Approve by:*** Trustee Guingona

***Second by:*** Trustee Lee

***Action:*** Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting aye.

***Summary of Discussion:*** Executive Vice Chancellor Storti provided a brief overview, and stated the extension being proposed is for an additional 30-days.

***Public Comment:*** None.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Discussion of Process and Timeline for Chancellor Search (15.1)**

**[\(Time Stamp: 2:46:08\)](#)**

***Summary of Discussion:*** Chief Human Resources Officer, Julie Johnson briefly provided an overview on this item. She provided the Board with options to decide how they want to move forward with the process – as a whole Board or create an Ad-Hoc Subcommittee. Ms. Johnson suggested the district have a Chancellor in place or selected by July 1, 2024.

The Board discussed the possibility of wanting to have a consultant assist with the search, as they district used one in the past. They also decided to go through the process as a whole Board and to not create a subcommittee.

***Public Comment:*** None.

**College of San Mateo Building 9 Library Modernization Project (15.2)**

**[\(Time Stamp: 3:03:15\)](#)**

***Summary of Discussion:*** Executive Vice Chancellor Storti briefly provided an overview on this item. He stated a decision needs to be made about the project within the next month or two. This item will possibly be on the next meeting agenda for further discussion and approval.

***Public Comment:*** None.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

*(Time Stamp: 3:23:45)*

Interim Chancellor Moreno advised there are no communications at this time.

**STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

*(Time Stamp: 3:23:54)*

- *Trustee Lee* thanked District Administration and Staff for their work and preparation for the July 15<sup>th</sup> Board Retreat.
- *Trustee Holober* made a comment regarding Assembly Bill 1749, and would like for it to be considered by the Board for support and adoption. This bill provides options for guaranteed admission to the UC System under the Student Transfer Achievement Reform (STAR).
- *President Petrides* stated the next meeting of the Board will be a Study Session on Wednesday, August 9, 2023.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 8:34 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 9:44 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

President Petrides advised there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Submitted by

Melissa Moreno, J.D., Secretary and Interim  
Chancellor