

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
San Mateo County Community College District
May 12, 2021 – 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 5:07 p.m.

Board Members Present: President Thomas A. Nuris, Vice President Richard Holoher, Trustee Maurice Goodman, Trustee Lisa Petrides, Trustee John Pimentel

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

President Nuris said that during closed session, the Board will take up items as listed on the printed agenda, including: (1) Hold a Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(2): Two cases, and (2) Hold a Conference with Labor Negotiators for Employee Organizations: Unrepresented Employees.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to closed session at 5:08 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to open session at 6:08 p.m.

Board Members Present: President Thomas A. Nuris, Vice President Richard Holoher, Trustee Maurice Goodman, Trustee Lisa Petrides, Trustee John Pimentel, Student Trustee Jade Shonette

Others Present: Chancellor Michael Claire, Chief Financial Officer Bernata Slater; Skyline College President Melissa Moreno, College of San Mateo Interim President Kim Lopez, Cañada College President Jamillah Moore, District Academic Senate President Jeramy Wallace

ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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President Nuris stated that no reportable actions were taken in Closed Session.

DISCUSSION OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

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There were no changes to the order of the agenda.

Approval of the Minutes of the April 14, 2021 Study Session (21-05-01)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Holoher

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Edits or Corrections: None.

Approval of the Minutes of the April 19, 2021 Special Meeting (21-05-02)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Holober

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Edits or Corrections: None.

Approval of the Minutes of the April 28, 2021 Regular Meeting (21-05-03)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Holober

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Edits or Corrections: None.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PERSONS OR DELEGATIONS**Contemporary Conversation Regarding Race, Class, Gender, Privilege and Equity: Presentation of Statements Regarding Anti-Asian Hate (21-05-01C)**

[\(Time Stamp: 01:07:29\)](#)

Summary of Discussion: Skyline President Moreno introduced the topic by reminding the Board that May was Asian American Pacific Islander Month. She noted that, as the Board has discussed on previous occasions, there has been an increase in violence and outward hate toward members of the Asian-American Pacific Islander communities, which has impacted students and colleagues. Dr. Moreno introduced the Filipinx Student Union (FSU) at Skyline College and Katipunan (KTP) at College of San Mateo who presented a statement regarding anti-Asian American violence. The student presenters were then joined by a group of faculty and staff from Skyline College in presenting a resolution adopted by the FSU, KTP, and Skyline College Academic and Classified Senates denouncing anti-Asian racism and violence. The FSU and KTP student presenters included: Angeli Ong, Tyler Castillo, Monica Dollezon-Yu, Asa Mobley, Caitlin Collantes, and the Skyline College faculty and staff presenters included: Golda Margate, Liza Erpelo, Sherrie Prasad, Nina Floro, Belinda Chan, Rika Yonemura-Fabian, Kennya Ruiz, Doris Garcia, and Karen Wong.

The student presenters noted that their goal was to inspire and encourage youth to understand how racism is played out in daily lives, to make connections to history of anti-Asian violence in the United States, and to learn from these lessons. Their presentation included condemning (1) Hate crimes and acts of violence against the AAPI community; (2) Being bystanders when witnessing an attack; (3) Racist comments and wrongful labeling of the AAPI community in relation to the COVID-19virus; (4) Institutions contributing to the ongoing attacks by not raising awareness; (5) The normalization of the model minority stereotype of Asian Americans; (6) Prioritizing personal image over standing with the AAPI community; and (7) Police brutality and lack of care towards AAPI life. They also explained that they were demanding: “(1) Do not allow police to be the first responders to mental health crises in order to help stop the police brutality happening against marginalized communities; (2) The administration at our colleges to denounce white supremacy and continue to properly inform students of recent events; (3) The creation of more ethnic studies classes and programs in both high schools and higher education aimed at inspiring the youth to understand and re-write history for our generation; and (4) Solidarity throughout our communities; not perpetuate Anti-Blackness, we need to come together if change is to happen.”

The resolution presented by the student presenters and faculty and staff presenters from Skyline College resolved that the Academic and Classified Senates champion a transformative solidarity; condemn

oppressive forces and denounce xenophobia and anti-Asian sentiment; prioritize the safety of the Asian community; provide dedicated space and programming that serve Asian students' needs; support consistently offering culturally responsive curriculum, events, installations, and professional learning and training; improve employment practices; and invest in programming and resources to promote and support activism among students in advocacy for Asian communities.

On behalf of the Board, President Nuris thanked the presenters for their important presentation and assured the presenters of the Board's support.

STATEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVES AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

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Student Trustee Shonette introduced Jose Gutierrez, outgoing Vice President of the Associated Students of Skyline College (ASSC) and Anthony Tran, incoming President of the Associated Students of Skyline College, who provided an update about ASSC activities for the spring 2021 semester. Mr. Gutierrez noted that the ASSC had conducted successful student elections, with 13 incoming student leaders, held 13 spring events with 35 different campus and community collaborators, and supported resolutions regarding Myanmar students and stopping Asian American hate. He noted that the ASSC also hosted events in recognition of Black History Month and Women's History Month and Love Notes for Our Asian Community. Mr. Tran noted that the ASSC held leadership programs, hosted a panel discussion regarding understanding our anti-Asian climate, and welcomed Dr. David Stovall as the spring college lecture speaker.

STATEMENTS FROM OTHER REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS

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- ***AFT, Local 1493:*** Marianne Kaletzky announced that the members of the union had ratified the contract and she thanked the negotiating teams for their work. She also shared concerns from faculty regarding the COVID Recovery Plan, including safe return to work, ventilation in buildings, guidance for enforcement of safety regulations and the engagement of the campus health and safety committees.
- ***CSEA, Chapter 33:*** Annette Perot said that CSEA was appreciative of being included in the District's Emergency Operations Center and looks forward to working toward a safe return to work for employees.
- ***AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 829, Council 57:*** Joseph Puckett spoke about the need for communication, inclusion and upholding the Districts values as the COVID Recovery Plan is considered.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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- Sam Cheung spoke about allowing access for students to return to campuses for classes and services.
- Vera Quijano spoke about her proposal for a learn-to-swim and water safety program.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Personnel Items: Changes in Assignment, Compensation, Placement, Leaves, Staff Allocations and Classification of Academic and Classified Personnel (21-05-01A)

(Time Stamp: 01:54:50)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Goodman

Second by: Trustee Vice President Holober

Action: Approved, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

Ratification of Renewed Collective Bargaining Agreement between the District and the San Mateo Community College Federation of Teachers, AFT Local 1493 from July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2022 (21-05-02A)

(Time Stamp: 01:55:39)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Goodman

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Approval of Consent Agenda

(Time Stamp: 01:56:38)

Approval of Curricular Additions, Deletions and Modifications – Cañada College and Skyline College (21-05-01CA)

Approval of Contract Award for Districtwide Pest Control Services (21-05-02CA)

Approval of Contract Award for Districtwide Moving Services (21-05-03CA)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Pimentel

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: Item 21-05-04CA was removed for the purpose of asking a question by Vice President Holober.

Acceptance of California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program Grant and Sole Source Agreement and Approval of Sole Source Agreement with PowerFlex (21-05-04CA)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Pimentel

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: Vice President Holober expressed his support of the program and asked for a future report on the utilization of the electric vehicle charging stations (pre-pandemic). Trustee Pimentel asked why the agreement was sole source rather than a bid and also who is responsible for the ongoing maintenance. Vice Chancellor Jose Nunez explained that the sole sourcing was part of the grant process and that the District would be responsible for future maintenance costs.

NEW BUSINESS: Other Recommendations

Approval of Contract Award for College of San Mateo Water Tank Replacement (21-05-101B) **(Time Stamp: 02:01:43)**

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Holober

Second by: Trustee Goodman

Action: Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Menlo Park/Cañada College Community, Continuing and Corporate Education (CCCE) Collaborative Programming: Web Programmers/ Developers Continuing Education Certificate (21-05-102B)

(Time Stamp: 02:02:26)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Pimentel

Second by: Trustee Holober

Action: Approved unanimously, with all Trustees voting Aye

Summary of Discussion: Trustee Pimentel asked, as a new trustee, for a briefing on the CCCE programs to become familiar with the work of that division.

Public Comment: None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Update on District Recovery of Operations Relating to COVID-19 and Policy Recommendations Relating to Vaccination Requirements for Employees and Students (21-05-02C) **(Time Stamp: 02:03:57)**

Summary of Discussion: Chancellor Claire gave an introduction on the District Recovery of Operations Relating to COVID-19 and Policy Recommendations Relating to Vaccination Requirements for Employees and Students. Chancellor Claire emphasized that the District is committed to reopening as safely and quickly as possible and plans for a full reopening for Spring Semester 2021.

Chancellor Claire also mentioned the Governor's plan to reopen California on June 15th and he said checkpoints and contact tracing on campus will no longer be required. He acknowledged that the recovery phase of the COVID-19 pandemic is the most challenging phase and many faculty, staff, students and community members have varying opinions and levels of comfort. Chancellor Claire

also noted that the District continues to take the same recovery approach as other local California Community College Districts.

Dr. Aaron McVean, Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Planning, presented the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan. Dr. McVean said the plan is health and safety focused and student data driven. Dr. McVean discussed decision-making lines of authority during the COVID-19 Pandemic including federal, state, county and District guidance. He also acknowledged the work of the District Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Dr. McVean explained how COVID-19 has impacted continuity of instruction, specifically student enrollment. Overall, enrollment and headcount are down due the COVID-19 pandemic, but there are 1,500 more students who are enrolled in more than one college in the District. Dr. McVean said that regular (non-K-12) resident students and international students saw a continued decline of more than double the previous academic year. He also noted that COVID-19 has had a dramatic impact on low-income student enrollment. Dr. McVean also discussed student retention rates, student success and course success rates.

Dr. McVean also discussed continuity of instruction in regards to in-person classes. He said students have continued instruction in-person in critical areas such as healthcare and emergency services, STEM and career education (CE) courses, athletic conditioning and return to play, and hard to deliver online courses. He said it is projected that about 3,700 students will be on campus for in-person learning for Fall 2021.

Dr. McVean also discussed limited return of in-person essential student services for the Fall 2021 semester. Student survey responses indicated that, given a choice, students prefer services such as library, academic counseling, and learning centers/tutoring to be offered in-person. Dr. McVean also discussed other student survey responses including comfort levels returning to campus and opinions on requiring vaccinations. He also discussed possible return of business operations such as bookstore, facilities rental, and food service.

Dr. McVean shared the Chancellor's recommendation for summer 2021 and fall 2021. He said with the expectation that the state will move beyond the Blueprint for a Safer Economy on June 15th, employees who are fully vaccinated will be allowed to access their office space and work on campus. He also said the Chancellor is recommending that all employees working on site or accessing the campus be fully vaccinated by July 31, 2021. The Chancellor is also recommending that all employees and students be required to demonstrate proof of vaccination beginning January 3, 2022. Dr. McVean outlined policy changes in regards to these recommendations.

Trustee Petrides asked about in-person student services for fall 2021. Dr. McVean said this will depend on logistics such as tiered staffing, employee vaccinations, social distancing requirements, mask wearing, and how to schedule spaces for meetings. Trustee Petrides also asked if a Faculty survey has been distributed. Dr. McVean said the most recent survey is from February and March 2021.

Trustee Goodman asked if there was a plan to require vaccinations for on-site contractors, SMAC employees, SMAC members, and other visitors. Vice Chancellor of Auxiliary and Community Services Tom Bauer, said all SMAC employees are fully vaccinated and Pacific Dining staff will be required to be vaccinated when they return to campus. Dr. McVean discussed possible policy creation to require SMAC members, visitors and members of the community.

Trustee Goodman also asked if faculty, staff and students that have been on campus for the past

year have been vaccinated. Vice Chancellor of Facilities, Planning, Maintenance and Operations Jose Nunez, said most of the Facilities and Public Safety Department staff have made a personal decision to get vaccinated.

Ray Hernandez, Interim Director of Operations, said people have different reasons for vaccinating and not vaccinating. He said as a District we have campaigning to do to encourage vaccinations and fall 2021 is a great opportunity for that.

Trustee Pimentel acknowledged the hard work and expressed appreciation for the heroic efforts of faculty, staff and students during the COVID-19 pandemic. He asked if faculty and staff are represented in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Chancellor Claire said the EOC is a very prescribed operation, but as the pandemic has evolved, it has become increasingly important to hear perspectives from various constituencies. Ben'Zara Minkin, Emergency Preparedness Manager, said there is also feedback from each College's Safety Committee being received by the EOC.

Trustee Pimentel asked about the possibility of a vaccination center on campus. Ray Hernandez said there are some physical infrastructure limitations to accomplishing this, but acknowledged that the District intends to explore providing vaccinations or partner with another organization to provide them.

Jeremy Wallace addressed the concerns expressed in the public comments. Mr. Wallace said he has represented faculty in the EOC for two months along with members of the District Academic Senate. Mr. Wallace also acknowledged that some students are hesitant to receive the vaccine. He recommended using the Fall 2021 to educate students about the vaccine and provide vaccines on-campus available to students.

Vice President Holober recognized the tremendous work that has gone into COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan. He encouraged staff to include more participants in decision making. Trustee Holober said he is very concerned with enrollment decline and believes more courses should be in-person for Fall 2021. Trustee Goodman encouraged more inclusion and representation in the EOC. Trustee Petrides agreed and encouraged staff to look at what California State Universities (CSUs) are doing to reopen.

Trustee Pimentel said employee safety is of utmost importance and encouraged staff to improve ventilation in older buildings. He also encouraged educating students about the vaccine and using it as a recruiting tool. Trustee Pimentel said he supports maximizing on-campus education as soon as possible.

President Nuris commended the efforts of the EOC and said the District has extremely qualified employees working diligently to keep us all safe. President Nuris said we all have the same goal in mind to return to campus as safe and quick as possible.

Chancellor Claire reiterated that the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan is a draft. He acknowledged varying opinions and levels of comfort. Chancellor Claire recommended that another Student Survey be distributed to students and ask what learning modality they prefer for fall 2021. Chancellor Claire also mentioned HyFlex Classrooms which can give students options for in-person or online learning.

Public Comment:

- Jennafer Carson asked for more flexibility in the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan.

She asked for more access to outdoor services and spectators at athletic events.

- Rena Korb said safe reopening is possible right now and students deserve the full extent of a college experience.
- Tina Acree, AFSCME Business Agent, expressed dissatisfaction with AFSCME being excluded from the EOC. She said the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan lacks transparency and common courtesy for all stakeholders.
- Sam Chuang asked for a change in some wording in the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan. He also asked for a more transparent process.
- Arielle Smith said faculty at CSM are concerned about ventilation systems in older buildings. She asked the Board to put the health and safety of faculty, staff and students above all else and encouraged Fall 2021 to remain online.
- Katharine Harer shared concerns from faculty members regarding reopening of campuses. She encouraged faculty input and a more collaborative process.
- Rosemary Bell expressed disappointment in the COVID-19 Recovery and Reopening Plan. She advocated for improved ventilation systems at Skyline College Building 1.
- Jessica Truglio encouraged thoughtful consideration in returning to campus and said many faculty and staff are not comfortable returning before Spring 2022.
- Jenna French said faculty and staff need time to plan for return to campus and Fall 2021 is too soon. She suggested using Fall 2021 to prepare for return in Spring 2022.
- Annette Perot said staff have concerns about returning to campus.

The Board recessed for a short break at Break 04:16:32.

Update on 2021-22 Tentative Budget Development for Unrestricted General Fund (21-05-03C)
(Time Stamp: 04:27:36)

Summary of Discussion: Chancellor Claire noted that this was another opportunity to get feedback from the Board before the tentative budget is presented in June.

Chief Financial Officer Bernata Slater provided a brief presentation that highlighted potential changes in the tentative budget and the timeline for the budget process. She noted that the District does not anticipate any negative impact from the governor's May Revise budget due to recent federal funding packages. She also explained that the District uses an allocation model to distribute funds to the colleges and District sites.

CFO Slater explained that the tentative budget is based on various assumptions, including a 4.54 percent county property tax increase, full-time equivalent student enrollment of 14,087, non-resident tuition at \$307 per unit and state inflation at 1.57 percent. She also noted that like with most educational organization budgets, the majority of the expenses relate to personnel costs – salary and benefits.

It was explained by Ms. Slater that there was only a slight variance in the income and expense projections for the District's unrestricted general fund budget since the last presentation to the Board, with a \$219,032,911 unrestricted general fund budget anticipated. She also explained that the District continues to adhere to the Board's direction in funding applicable to the 50 percent law, with \$1.5 million being allocated in this budget to be applied to part-time faculty parity. Ms. Slater also reviewed key District initiatives, including the Promise Scholars Program, the Equity Institute, the Food Insecurity Initiative, and COVID-19 mitigation, which includes funding for both students and the District/colleges. She reminded the Board of the Board of the budget calendar which includes analyzing the governor's May Revise on May 14, presentation and adoption of the Tentative District Budget on June 23 and presentation and adoption of the Final District Budget on September 9.

Trustee Pimentel asked about the ability to reserve federal funds received through the CARES Act and HEERF programs to support priority initiatives relating to access, support, affordability for students, including programs like Middle College, Dual Enrollment and Promise Scholars. Ms. Slater noted that the funds from the federal programs have two purposes (1) to provide direct support to students, and (2) to provide institutional support for COVID-related issues. Trustee Pimentel also asked about the allocation of funds for the Food Insecurity program and the Equity Institute. Ms. Slater noted responded that the Food Insecurity program was funded based on projected need pre-COVID and that there have also been state funds that have been available to supplement District funds. As it relates to the Equity Institute, she explained that that allocation was made from one-time dollars and not ongoing funds. Trustee Pimentel said that he would have difficulty supporting a budget that does not have the ability to apply additional funding to accessibility, access and affordability initiatives for students and that he noticed staff that a proposal regarding free college should be produced by staff, not the Board and expressed interest in seeing such a proposal in the near future.

Vice President Holober noted that in his experience, budgets traditionally have fixed costs that roll from budget to budget, such as personnel costs relating to wages and benefits. He said that he believes there is more room to fund initiatives and that a comparison of prior year budgets versus actual expenses in those areas of personnel costs would likely show a great variance. He suggested that the Board consider matching the recent \$2 million allocation from the Board of Supervisors to support the Promise Scholars program.

Trustee Petrides said that she believes that it is not simply a student pipeline issue, but that the District must also focus on completion, transfer and student success. She also commented that the District's strategic plan was nearing its end and inquired if there was alignment with the new plan to the budget.

Public Comment: None.

Update on Senate Bill 659 (21-05-04C)

(Time Stamp: 05:08:33)

Summary of Discussion: Chief of Staff Mitchell Bailey provided the Board with a brief update on Senate Bill 659, which the Board endorsed at a prior meeting. The Bill works to achieve some of the policy goals the Board has in having flexibility to reduce fees, use unrestricted general fund dollars to support student basic needs and to support expansion of the Promise Program. Mr. Bailey noted that the Bill had passed through the Senate Education Committee but had since been placed on the Senate Appropriations Committee Suspense File. He sought guidance from the Board about its interest in pursuing a District-only bill, which would create a special statute specific to

SMCCCD, if that was the only remaining avenue to release the Bill from the Suspense File, should other proposed amendments not be successful. Trustees provided their consent to this approach.

Public Comment: None.

Review of Internal Auditor Position Description (21-05-05C)

(Time Stamp: 05:19:18)

Summary of Discussion:

Chancellor Claire introduced the topic and thanked Vice President Holober and Trustee Pimentel for their work on the Board subcommittee for this item. Chancellor Claire mentioned that he started with the existing Compliance Officer position description and added many of the internal audit duties from Antelope Valley College to develop the proposed duties of the internal auditor. Chancellor Claire stated that he met with Vice President Holober and Trustee Pimentel to review and edit the proposed duties, which are included in the Board Packet. Chancellor Claire also stated that staff would be prepared to bring an internal audit position to the Board for consideration at the next available Board meeting if that is the direction of the Board.

Vice President Holober provided clarification that the proposed duties are common to many of the community colleges that the Board ad-hoc committee reviewed not just Antelope Valley College. There were no further Board member comments. Vice President Holober stated that he would like to bring the position for Board action at the next meeting. Trustee Holober asked Chancellor Claire to share the possible pay level with Board. Chancellor Claire stated that given the scope of duties and responsibilities his recommendation would be to bring the position to the Board at the pay level of a dean or a vice president. The Board directed Chancellor Claire to bring the proposed position to the Board for consideration at the next available Board meeting.

Public Comment: None.

Update on San Mateo Athletic Club RFP and Vision for District Athletic Clubs (21-05-06C)

(Time Stamp: 05:26:04)

Summary of Discussion: Chancellor Claire stated that it was important to begin this conversation now given that the extension with EXOS will expire on June 30. Chancellor Claire stated that the District will continue to work on the RFP unless otherwise directed by the Board. Chancellor Claire also stated that he has also engaged representatives of the kinesiology faculty and the deans at all three colleges to get their feedback on a vision for the athletic club function.

General Services Director Yanely Pulido provided an update on the status of the RFP. Ms. Pulido requested further guidance from the Board before proceeding.

Trustee Goodman stated at the last meeting that the administration was given an extension to work on the RFP process. Trustee Goodman said that there are other options, not just to extend or close. Trustee Goodman stated that his first priority is our students. Trustee Goodman stated that he expects the leadership to present a solution that takes into account the needs of all constituencies, being especially mindful of our student needs. Chancellor Claire agreed with Trustee Goodman's comments and is committed to finding the right balance.

Trustee Petrides stated that she feels that the majority of the Board has been clear on the direction: students first, faculty and employees, and then the community. Trustee Petrides stated that she has heard from many and it is time to resolve this issue. Trustee Petrides said that she would like to see

the operation brought in-house.

Trustee Pimentel made the following suggestions: (1) suspend the RFP; (2) extend the current agreement with EXOS until October or December to allow for a smooth transition; (3) hire a person who can develop a model and guide a transition to a new model; and (4) consider the model for both the CSM and the Cañada sites. Trustee Pimentel stated that the Board should stop spending time on this matter. He referred to a memo that he has shared and suggested several ideas from that memo that should be considered for implementation.

President Nuris stated that we should not lose sight of the income generation of the facility and feels that it is better to continue with an external vendor. He urged the Board to work with what we have to make it better.

Vice President Holober stated that when the new RFP subcommittee was formed at the start of the year, part of the conversation was to include the opportunity to move to a hybrid or an in-house model. Trustee Holober stated that at the time Chancellor Claire asked for direction from the Board with the caveat that any model needs to operate at a break-even level. Trustee Holober stated that he supports the overall view outlined by Trustee Pimentel. Vice President Holober also stated that it will take several months to transition to a new model. He also reiterated the point that our students and program needs should be prioritized. Vice President Holober stated that his preference would be to use employees to provide the services required. He also referenced using a Community Education model to provide classes to the general public in consultation with faculty.

Trustee Goodman stated that he agreed with Trustee Pimentel and Vice President Holober. President Nuris stated his opposition to this direction. Trustee Petrides also supported the position of Vice President Holober and Trustee Pimentel. Trustee Petrides stated that she would like to see a similar plan for the Cañada site.

Trustee Holober stated that he supports the idea of bringing in outside expertise to assist with the transition.

Chancellor Claire thanked the Board for the discussion and summarized the position of the Board as a whole: (1) extend the EXOS contract to provide time for a transition, and (2) begin to take action to build an organization that reflects the Board's direction.

Public Comment:

- Vera Quijano stated that it is important to keep in mind that there was no disruption to classes when SMAC was implemented at CSM. However, at Cañada there has been a major disruption. She also stated that adjunct faculty input has been excluded.
- Frank Elliot stated that until a new vision is articulated his preference would be to stay with the current model, and asked the Board to consider working with fitness experts before changing the model.
- Sam Chuang stated that the District has university-level fitness facilities and should be treated like a university facility. He asked the Board to consider a university model.
- Nancy Littlefield stated that she believes that we all share the same long-term vision.

COMMUNICATIONS

(Time Stamp: 06:18:25)

None.

STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

(Time Stamp: 06:18:50)

President Nuris: None.

Vice President Holober: None.

Trustee Goodman: None.

Trustee Petrides: None.

Trustee Pimentel: Asked about the process for creating a Free Community College Board sub-committee and an Audit sub-committee; asked for an update on student housing presentation; requested a presentation at a future meeting on District marketing; requested an update on progress on a Whistleblower hotline; and asked for a report on the frequency of harassment claims.

Student Trustee Shonette: None.

President Nuris announced that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees would be a study session on June 9, 2021, conducted via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned by consent at X p.m.

Submitted by

Michael Claire, Secretary