

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
San Mateo County Community College District  
March 27, 2024 – San Mateo, CA**

**In-Person Location**

3401 CSM Drive, San Mateo, CA 94402

**Remote Location**

81/5 Moo8 Haadchaophao, Thong-Sala, Haad Yao, Suratthani, Haad Chao Phao, 84280, Thailand

This meeting was conducted in person, as well as 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 5:45 p.m.

**Board Members**

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

**Board Members**

**Remote:** Vice President Michael Guingona (remote location address in heading)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

President Pimentel stated that during Closed Session, the Board will take up items as listed on the printed agenda including: (1) Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Subdivisions (d)(2), (4) and (h) of Section 54956.9 - Number of Potential Cases: 2; and (2) Pursuant to Gov. Code, §54957: Public Employment (Performance Auditor/Policy Analyst)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY**

None.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:46 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 6:07 p.m.

**Board Members**

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

**Board Members**

**Absent:** Student Trustee Arthur Veloso

**Board Members**

**Remote:** Vice President Michael Guingona (remote location address in heading)

**Others Present:** Interim Chancellor Melissa Moreno, Acting Skyline College President Newin Orante, Acting College of San Mateo President Richard Storti, Cañada College and President Kim Lopez

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

*(Time Stamp: 20:21)*

No action taken.

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

*(Time Stamp: 20:29)*

Interim Chancellor Moreno advised staff requests to pull Item 15.3 Second Read of Values Statement from the agenda.

### **PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PERSONS OR DELEGATIONS**

#### **Recognition by the Board of Trustees of District and College Classified Employees of the Year and Selection of Nomination to be Forwarded to the State Chancellor's Office (6.1)**

*(Time Stamp: 21:01)*

***Summary of Discussion:*** President Pimentel mentioned that this award honors community college Classified Employees who demonstrate the highest level of commitment to professionalism and community colleges. Each of the Colleges and the District Office were invited to nominate one Classified Employee, and each will be honored by the Board tonight. Each community college district may forward the information of one nominee to the California Community College Chancellor's Office for consideration of a statewide award; that nominee is selected by the Board and will be announced at the end of this presentation.

Acting President Newin Orante introduced the nominee from Skyline College – Martin Marquez. Martin attended the meeting in person and said a few words.

Acting President Richard Storti introduced the nominee from College of San Mateo – Luis Padilla. Luis attended the meeting in person and said a few words.

President Kim Lopez introduced the nominee from Cañada College – Nimsi Garcia Sandoval. Nimsi attended the meeting in person and said a few words.

Chief of Facilities and Operations Michele Rudovsky introduced the nominee from the District Office – John Cuevas. John attended the meeting in person and said a few words.

President Pimentel announced that the 2024 San Mateo County Community College District Classified Employee of the Year is John Cuevas. The Board's nomination will be forwarded to the State Chancellor's Office for consideration of a statewide award.

***Public Comment:*** None.

### **CELEBRATORY RECESS**

*(Time Stamp: 52:26)*

The Board recessed at 6:40 p.m. to congratulate and celebrate each of the employees. Light refreshments were served.

## **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:13:21\)](#)

The meeting reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

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

[\(Time Stamp: 1:13:34\)](#)

- Chancellor and Chancellor's Cabinet – see the attached combined President's Report in board packet.

## **STATEMENTS FROM OTHER REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:13:59\)](#)

- *AFT, Local 1493*: No statements.
- *CSEA, Chapter 33*: No statements.
- *AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 829, Council 57*: No statements.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

[\(Time Stamp: 1:14:27\)](#)

The following individual had a comment on a non-agenda item:

- Qimmah Tamu – commented via zoom regarding Electricity Procurement and renewal energy resources and electricity.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Approval of Approval of Minutes from February 28, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (11.1)** [\(Time Stamp: 1:16:53\)](#)

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Holober

*Second by:* Trustee Lee

*Action:* Approved unanimously by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* None.

*Public Comment:* None.

### **Approval of Approval of Minutes from March 6, 2024 Study Session of the Board of Trustees (11.2)** [\(Time Stamp:\)](#)

*Motion to Approve by:* Trustee Petrides

*Second by:* Trustee Lee

*Action:* Approved unanimously by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

*Summary of Discussion:* None.

*Public Comment:* None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Approval of Personnel Items (12.1)**

*(Time Stamp: 1:18:19)*

***Motion to Approve by:*** Trustee Holober

***Second by:*** Trustee Petrides

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

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

***Public Comment:*** None.

### **Vote to Elect Members to the California Community College Trustees (CCCT) Board (12.2)**

*(Time Stamp: 1:18:51)*

*Note: This item was tabled until the next meeting on April 24, 2024. No action taken.*

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

*(Time Stamp: 1:23:19)*

**Acceptance of English Language Learner (ELL) Healthcare Pathways Funds for Skyline College, College of San Mateo, and Cañada College (13.1)**

**Acceptance of 2024 American Passport Project Grant Funding Through Institute of International Education (13.2)**

**Curricular Additions, Deletions and Modifications - Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College (13.3)**

**Approval for Extension of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Regents of the University of California for Facilities Use and Fire Camera Network – Districtwide (13.4)**

**Approval of Single Source Contract Renewal with One Identity, LLC (13.5)**

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

***Second by:*** Trustee Holober

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

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

***Public Comment:*** None.

## OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

### Adoption of Resolution 24-05: Resolution in Honor of Women’s History Month (14.1)

[\(Time Stamp: 1:24:48\)](#)

***Motion to Approve by:*** Trustee Holober

***Second by:*** Trustee Lee

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

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

***Public Comment:*** None.

### Modification of Board Meeting Schedule for August 2024 (14.2) (Time Stamp: 1:26:03)

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

***Second by:*** Trustee Holober

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

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

***Public Comment:*** None.

### Proposed Ad Hoc Committee for Mission Statement (14.3)

[\(Time Stamp: 1:26:55\)](#)

***Motion to Approve by:*** Vice President Guingona

***Second by:*** Trustee Holober

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

***Summary of Discussion:*** Cindi Reiss is suggesting that the Board have an Ad Hoc Committee to compose the Mission Statement.

The Board is fine with the idea, and Trustees Lee and Petrides will serve on the committee.

Trustee Holober suggested to make the statement simpler and suggested “Students First”.

Vice President Guingona stated the word Equity is very important to include in the statement.

The Board took action on having the committee work on the Values Statement as well. Vice President Guingona and Trustee Holober kept their motions to include the Values Statement.

***Public Comment:*** None.

### Approval of Agreement with Solov Advocacy, LLC for Advocacy Services (14.4)

[\(Time Stamp: 1:34:48\)](#)

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

***Second by:*** Trustee Petrides

***Action:*** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

***Summary of Discussion:*** Interim Chancellor Moreno provided a brief overview on this item. The Board is fine with renewing the contract for one year, but will review it again before the renewal is paid in order to possibly do a RFP.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of Contract Award for Architectural Services for College of San Mateo Building 30 Renovation Project (14.5) (Time Stamp: 1:41:29)**

**Motion to Approve by:** Trustee Lee

**Second by:** Trustee Petrides

**Action:** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

**Summary of Discussion:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Adoption of Equal Employment Opportunity 2023-2026 Draft Plan (14.6) (Time Stamp: 1:42:56)**

**Motion to Approve by:** Trustee Lee

**Second by:** Trustee Holober

**Action:** Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

**Summary of Discussion:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Report of Off-Campus Facilities, 2023-2024 (15.1)**  
**(Time Stamp: 1:45:00)**

**Summary of Discussion:** Yanely Pulido was in attendance to present on this item. The Board and community can see what the district is doing to expand certain services out into the community at specified locations.

President Pimentel would like to discuss this more at a Study Session, especially the nursing program.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Final Read of Revisions to Chapter 3 of Board Policy Prior to Participatory Governance Process (15.2)**  
**(Time Stamp: 1:51:22)**

**Summary of Discussion:** Cindi Reiss is present to review the revisions with the Board. BP 3950 will not go onto District Participatory Governance at this time. It will be brought back to the Board at a later time.

**Trustee Holober would like a phrase**

**Public Comment:** None.

**Second Read of Values Statement (15.3)**

*Note: This item was pulled from the agenda.*

**Title IX and SB 493 Update (15.4)***(Time Stamp: 1:55:09)*

**Summary of Discussion:** Dr. Mwanaisha Sims Adams was in attendance to present on this item to discuss and address any concerns regarding Title IX and specified complaints.

The Board would like the services available to be promoted throughout the district.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Trustee and Student Trustee Orientation (15.5)***(Time Stamp: 2:22:02)*

**Summary of Discussion:** Cindi Reiss presented on this item. Interim Chancellor Moreno advised during the Board Retreat on 7/15/24, the Board directed staff to create something for new Trustees and Student Trustees to be oriented within a 90-day period.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Report on Dual Enrollment in the SMCCCD (15.6)***(Time Stamp: 2:25:20)*

**Summary of Discussion:** Vice Chancellor Aaron McVean presented on this item briefly.

The Board would like staff to reach out to teacher programs to try to recruit more teachers.

**Public Comment:**

- The following persons commented on this item:
  - David Eck
  - Qimmah Tamu

**COMMUNICATIONS****Quarterly Report of Public Information Requests (16.1)**

**Summary of Discussion:** None.

**STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS***(Time Stamp: 2:54:56)*

- **Student Trustee Lee** attended the SMCSBA meeting regarding Dyslexia, and inquired if the district has services that serve students with that disability.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by

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