

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
San Mateo County Community College District
April 30, 2025 – San Mateo, CA**

In-Person Location

3401 CSM Drive, San Mateo, CA 94402

Remote Location

Aloft Raleigh - 2100 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27607

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 5:03 p.m.

Board Members

Present: Vice President Wayne Lee, Trustee John Pimentel, and Trustee Richard Holober

Board Members

Absent: President Michael Guingona (absent at time of Roll Call; arrived at 5:13 p.m.)

Board Members

Remote: Trustee Lisa Petrides

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Vice President Lee stated that during Closed Session, the Board will take up items as listed on the printed agenda including: (1) Pursuant to Gov. Code §54956.9 (d)(2), (d)(4), and (h): Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation - Number of Potential Cases: 2; (2) Pursuant to Gov. Code, §54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (2 Matters); (3) Conference with Labor Negotiator - Agency Designated Representative: Ellen Wu and Richard Storti; Employee Organization: AFT; (4) Conference with Labor Negotiator - Agency Designated Representative: Randy Erickson and Julie Johnson; Employee Organization: CSEA; (5) Conference with Labor Negotiator - Agency Designated Representative: Randy Erickson and Julie Johnson; Employee Organization: AFSCME (6) Pursuant to Gov. Code §54957: Public Employee Evaluation: Contract Renewal Discussion for Cañada College President, Executive Vice Chancellor, and Vice Chancellor; (7) Pursuant to Gov. Code, §54957: Public Employment: Skyline College President; and (8) Pursuant to Gov. Code §54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation and Discussion of Goals: Chancellor

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

The following individuals commented:

- Carl Lafata
- Nadia Biglari
- Tamara Perkins
- Deborah Garfinkle
- Camille Kaslan

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:24 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 6:06 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Members

Present: President Michael Guingona, Vice President Wayne Lee, Trustee John Pimentel, Trustee Richard Holober, and Student Trustee Chloe Johnson

Board Members

Remote: Trustee Lisa Petrides

Others Present:

Chancellor Melissa Moreno, Executive Vice Chancellor Richard Storti, Skyline College Acting President Newin Orante, College of San Mateo President Dr. Manuel Alejandro Pérez, Cañada College President Kim Lopez, and District Academic Senate President David Eck (remote)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action taken.

DISCUSSION OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

- Staff requests to move the following items out of order, as we have guest presenters and attendees in attendance this evening.
 - Item 8.1 and New Business Items 11.1 and 11.2 before Statements from Executives and Student Representatives
 - Discussion Items 14.2 and 14.4 after Consent Agenda

*** Note: Items 8.1 was taken before Statements from Executives and Student Representatives, per staff request.*

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PERSONS OR DELEGATES

[\(Time Stamp: 1:14:19\)](#)

Recognition of Skyline College Women's Wrestling Team (8.1)

Summary of Discussion: President Guingona read the team's season accomplishments and presented them with a Certificate of Achievement. He also presented Graciela Caro a plaque for being the 2025 Women's Wrestling State Champion. Olga Camacho, head coach, made commending remarks to the team and thanked the Board of Trustees for the recognition.

Public Comment: No comments.

*** Note: New Business Items 11.1 and 11.2 were taken before Statements from Executives and Student Representatives, per staff request.*

NEW BUSINESS

(Time Stamp: 1:24:12)

Approval of Personnel Items (11.1)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Holober

Action: Approved as amended by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye.

Summary of Discussion: Director of Human Resources David Feune advised of edits to the report. Under Section B Public Employment under Skyline College for Brandon Williams, that item is pulled as the candidate declined the job offer. Secondly, on page 5 under Section I Public Employee Retirement and Resignation under Kolo Wamba, requesting to change resignation date from May 22, 2025 to August 8, 2025.

Public Comment: No comments.

Consideration and Approval of Skyline College President Employment Agreement (11.2)

(Time Stamp: 1:26:40)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Holober

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

Summary of Discussion: Director of Human Resources David Feune read the Employment Agreement for President, which would formally appoint Dr. Nathan Carter as the new President of Skyline College. The Agreement provides an initial term of employment that runs from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2028. The annual salary will be \$283,788. The President shall receive 225 hours of vacation per year, of which 75 hours can be cashed out annually. The President will also receive group health, medical, dental, vision, life insurance, and retirement on the same terms as those generally applicable to all unrepresented managers of the District.

Dr. Nathan Carter was in attendance via Zoom, and made brief comments.

Public Comment: No comments.

STATEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVES, ACADEMIC SENATE, AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

- ***Chancellor and Chancellor's Cabinet:***
 - ***Chancellor Moreno*** congratulated and welcomed Dr. Nathan Carter as the new President of Skyline College. She also thanked and commended Dr. Newin Orante for his service as Acting President of Skyline College.
 - ***Dr. Manuel Alejandro Perez*** no statement
 - ***Dr. Newin Orante*** no statement

- *District Academic Senate President David Eck* made a statement on the multiple Academic Senate events, processes, meetings, etc.
- *Student Trustee and/or Associated Student Body* no statement

STATEMENTS FROM OTHER REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS

- *AFT, Local 1493:* Rika Yonemura Fabian made a statement.
- *CSEA, Chapter 33:* no statement.
- *AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 829, Council 57:* no statement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The following individuals commented:

- Qimmah Tamu
- Dr. Katie Hern
- Tatiana Irwin
- Tim Shively
- Christopher Branco

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes from March 26, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (10.1) **(Time Stamp: 1:57:05)**

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Holober

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved 4-1 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye. Vice President Lee was absent at the time of taking action.

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2025 Special Closed Session of the Board of Trustees (10.2) **(Time Stamp: 1:57:38)**

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Holober

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved 4-1 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye. Vice President Lee was absent at the time of taking action.

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2025 Special Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees (10.3)
(Time Stamp: 1:58:05)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Holober

Second by: Trustee Petrides

Action: Approved 4-1 by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye. Vice President Lee was absent at the time of taking action.

Summary of Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

(Time Stamp: 1:58:39)

Approval of Agreement with San Mateo Union High School District Regarding Middle College at Skyline College (12.1)

Approval of Agreement with South San Francisco Unified School District Regarding Middle College at Skyline College (12.2)

Approval of Agreement with the Jefferson Union High School District Regarding Middle College at Skyline College (12.3)

Approval to Reject All Bids and Rebid the College San Mateo Beach Volleyball Project (12.4)

Review of January and February 2025 District Warrants (12.5)

Curricular Additions, Deletions and Modifications - Cañada College (12.6)

Curricular Additions, Deletions and Modifications - College of San Mateo (12.7)

Curricular Additions, Deletions and Modifications - Skyline College (12.8)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Holober

Action: Approved unanimously by Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye. Vice President Lee returned to meeting.

Summary of Discussion: No discussion.

Public Comment: No comments.

***** Note: Discussion Items 14.2 and 14.4 were taken the Consent Agenda, per staff request.***

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Private Financing Options for Capital Improvement Projects (14.2)

(Time Stamp: 2:00:12)

Summary of Discussion: Executive Vice Chancellor Storti provided an overview of the item, and introduced Makiko Sato of Isom Advisors to review the projects, possible options, and next steps with the Board.

Public Comment: No comments.

Options and Considerations for Compressed Calendars for the SMCCCD (14.4)

(Time Stamp: 2:15:00)

Summary of Discussion: Vice Chancellor Aaron McVean provided an overview of this item, and Arielle Smith was in attendance to assist with presentation. Dr. Smith advised there are some faculty that are interested in compressed calendar.

Student Trustee Johnson advised she enjoys the accelerated pace, and she is in support of the compressed calendar.

The Board of Trustees would also like district and staff administration to look into alternative schedules (i.e. weekend courses, evening courses, etc.), to accommodate those students that have work and family conflicts with school schedule.

Public Comment: No comments.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

(Time Stamp: 2:50:53)

Adoption of Resolution 25-05: Resolution in Honor of National Arab American Heritage Month (13.1)

Motion to Approve by: Trustee Holober

Second by: Vice President Lee

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

Summary of Discussion: Chancellor Moreno provided a brief overview on this item.

Public Comment: No comments.

Update on State Grant Application for Districtwide Student Housing at Cañada College and Skyline College (13.2)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Pimentel

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

Summary of Discussion: Executive Vice Chancellor Richard Storti provided a brief overview on this item. He advised the State Chancellor's office informed community college districts to submit applications for projects that need to be completed. District Administration recommends to the Board to resubmit the application for the Skyline project, which will cost \$5,000.00 to resubmit. Additionally, it is recommended to submit an application for Cañada College project at the cost of \$100,000 to submit.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Contract Award for Construction Management Services for the Capital Improvement Program with 60 PMCM (13.3)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Holober

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

Summary of Discussion: Executive Vice Chancellor Storti briefly provided an overview on this item.

Public Comment: *No comments.*

Approval Founding Partner District Participation Agreement with FHDA for the CCCCCO's Digital Center for Innovation, Transformation, and Equity (13.4)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: Trustee Petrides

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

Summary of Discussion: Vice Chancellor McVean provided a brief overview on this item.

Public Comment: No comments.

Apple Reseller Program (13.5)

Motion to Approve by: Vice President Lee

Second by: President Guingona

Action: Approved unanimously by way of Roll Call Vote, with all Trustees voting aye. Student Trustee Johnson abstained from providing an advisory vote.

Summary of Discussion: Executive Vice Chancellor Storti provided brief overview on this item. This program could possibly provide the district with a net benefit of \$50,000.00. Apple Products would be sold at below retail rates at the CSM Bookstore. District administration is also exploring Microsoft products.

Student Trustee Johnson is concerned about the increase of tariffs, so it would cause the products' prices to be increased as well. That could possibly be a problem for some students.

Public Comment: *No comments.*

DISCUSSION ITEMS

***** Note: Discussion Items 14.2 and 14.4 were taken after Consent Agenda, per staff request.***

SMCCCD and CCCApply (14.1)

(Time Stamp: 3:15:17)

Summary of Discussion: Vice Chancellor McVean provided a brief overview on this item. He provided the relationship or connection between SMCCCD and CCCApply, and the importance of CCCApply in order to be in compliance with the State.

Public Comment: No comments.

Community & Government Relations Update (14.3)

(Time Stamp: 3:29:23)

Summary of Discussion: Chancellor Moreno introduced Executive Director of Government and Community Relations, David McLain. He provided an update on the work he's done while being in his current role over the past year.

The Board of Trustee commended Mr. McLain for his work.

Public Comment: No comments.

SMCCCD District Strategic Plan Update (14.5)

(Time Stamp: 3:48:49)

Summary of Discussion: Vice Chancellor McVean provided a brief overview on this item. Vice President Lee and Trustee Petrides serve on the ad hoc committee for the District Strategic Plan. There was a district-wide District Strategic Plan webinar on April 22nd, and a first draft of the plan will be presented to the Board at the May 21st board meeting.

Public Comment: No comments.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Chancellor Moreno advised no additional material communications.

STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

- **Vice President Lee**
- **Trustee Holober** invited everyone to attend a CSM student art presentation on Saturday, May 3rd at Nuance Art Gallery, which will feature artwork by students as well as himself.
- **Trustee Petrides** no statements.
- **Trustee Pimentel** no statements.
- **Student Trustee Johnson** no statements.
- **President Guingona** congratulated the CSM track team. He also *stated the next meeting of the Board will* be a Regular Board Meeting *on Wednesday, May 21st, at the SMCCCD District Office.*

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 8:57 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:01 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Submitted by

Melissa Moreno, J.D., Secretary and Chancellor