

Minutes
May 17, 2006
San Mateo, California

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

Board members present: President Mandelkern, Vice-President Clerk Hausman, Trustees Holober, Miljanich, (arrived at 6:25) and Schwarz; and Student Trustee Burns (arrived at 6:35)

Others present: Chancellor Galatolo, Executive Vice Chancellor Keller, Vice Chancellor Joel, Skyline President Morrow, Cañada Interim President Mohr, CSM President Kelly, and District Academic Senate President Kapp

Pledge of Allegiance

DISCUSSION OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

None

MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Hausman and seconded by Trustee Holober to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of March 22. The motion carried by a voted of 4-0, all members present voting "Aye" (Trustee Miljanich had not yet arrived).

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PERSONS OR DELEGATIONS

None

STATEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVES AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Executive and Student Representative reports were presented by Chancellor Galatolo, Skyline President Morrow, CSM President Kelly, Interim Cañada President Mohr, Executive Vice Chancellor Keller and CSM Associated Students President Mario Medina.

CSM President Kelly asked that tonight's meeting be adjourned in memory of Julio Bortolazzo, former President of CSM, who passed away recently.

Executive Vice Chancellor Keller presented an oral report on the status of the May Revise. He said that there are several positive items, including payment of Prop. 98 funds that had previously been withheld; COLA of 5.92% for apportionment; enrollment growth funding at 3%; increased funding for scheduled maintenance and educational equipment; PERS increase from 9.116 to 9.124. He added that Senate Bill 361 proposes a new funding model and that the State Senate is examining a decrease in student fees to \$20 per unit.

Copies of the Executive Statements/Reports were available for distribution at the meeting and are attached to the official minutes of record.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Three AFT members – Katharine Harer and Rich Hough from Skyline and Monica Malamud from Cañada – addressed the Board regarding matters related to the AFT contract. In describing her duties, Professor Malamud noted that she is the only full-time faculty person in her department and has a disproportionate workload in addition to other responsibilities that constitute uncompensated time. She said she is concerned that the District does not rank among the top three in the Bay 10. She said that a fair contract settlement is what the AFT is seeking.

Professor Hough stated that, while District faculty love their students and their subjects and maintain their own self-respect, they have not taken a vow of poverty. Given the high cost of living in the Bay Area, he said that faculty are disappointed that the District has not yet achieved an improved ranking among the Bay 10, as promised. Regarding negotiations, he said that the District has requested a four-year settlement; he said that faculty feel that the fourth year of such a contract would be risky.

Professor Harer, who also serves as AFT co-president, said that the AFT has been bargaining with the District for nine months, beginning with the District's initial offer of a 0% compensation, which the AFT considered "insulting." Recently, she said that both parties moved to consider mediation as a means to move negotiations to closure. She reported that a recent letter-writing campaign, initiated by faculty members, revealed that most faculty want the AFT to hold on a bit longer in hopes of a better settlement.

Trustee Miljanich expressed her concern about the "climate of misinformation" within the District regarding the Chancellor's commitment to improving the ranking of the SMCCCD within the Bay 10. Chancellor Galatolo responded he wants the District to compensate its faculty fairly without overextending District resources. Trustee Miljanich added that the District is committed to being the best overall, not just third in the rankings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF BOARD GOALS (06-4-1B)

President Mandelkern stated that the original version of Board Goals had been considered at the April 19 meeting, at which time the members recommended a number of refinements and revisions that are reflected in the version presented at this meeting. In discussion, members of the Board expressed their appreciation for the accurate incorporation of their ideas and suggestions.

At the meeting of April 19, it had been moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Hausman to approve the goals but no action was taken, pending the incorporation of the modifications and refinements. At this time, the motion carried, with all members voting "Aye" to approve the updated version.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS: CHANGES IN ASSIGNMENT, COMPENSATION, PLACEMENT, LEAVES, STAFF ALLOCATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC AND CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL (06-5-2A)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Trustee Miljanich to approve the actions in Board Report No. 06-5-2A. The motion carried, all members voting "Aye."

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (06-5 1CA – 06-5 14CA)

The Consent Agenda consists of the following board reports:

06-5-1CA	Approval of Trustees' Fund for Program Improvement projects
06-5-2CA	Contract amendment with Krueger International for office furniture
06-5-3CA	Approval of voluntary international student insurance program, 2006-07
06-5-4CA	Denial of claim against the District by Shannon Maffit
06-5-5CA	Approval to execute a site use permit for GPS monument with UNAVCO/PBO – College of San Mateo
06-5-6CA	Approval to amend agreement with SPURR for purchase of non-core gas
06-5-7CA	Augmentation to contract with Chevron Energy Solutions
06-5-8CA	Contract extension for multi-year price painting projects – Districtwide
06-5-9CA	Contract extension for multi-year unit price acoustic projects – Districtwide
06-5-10CA	Contract extension for multi-year unit price flooring projects - Districtwide
06-5-11CA	Approval of Community Education water polo club – Summer 2006
06-5-12CA	Approval of Community Education basketball league – Summer 2006
06-5-13CA	Approval of revision to District Rules & Regulations, Section 8.06, Investment of District Funds
06-5-14CA	Approval of Skyline College Summer 2006 baseball camp

President Mandelkern stated that Board Report No. 06-5-13CA (Approval of revision to District Rules & Regulations, Section 8.06, Investment of District Funds), will be deferred to a future date. Trustee Holober asked that Board Report 06-5-5CA (Approval to execute a site use permit for GPS monument with UNAO/PBO – College of San Mateo), be set aside for separate discussion. It was then moved by Trustee Hausman and seconded by Trustee Holober to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion carried, all members voting "Aye."

APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A SITE USE PERMIT FOR GPS MONUMENT WITH UNAVCO/PBO – COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO (06-5-5CA)

Trustee Holober asked about the advantages of this installation being located at CSM. CSM President Kelly stated that the information gathered from these sites will create a clearer picture of the constantly changing state of the earth's crust. She added that the agency will provide the District with direct access to the recorded GPS data and data product. In addition, members of the organization are available to make presentations to CSM's Geology Department and other related science departments. She also said that the Geology Department is considering incorporation of this feature into the academic curriculum.

Following discussion, it was moved by Trustee Miljanich and seconded by Trustee Hausman to approve the agreement with UNAVCO/PBO for the installation of a GPS monument at CSM. The motion carried, all members voting "Aye."

CONSIDERATION OF SERVICE AWARD FOR 2005-06 STUDENT TRUSTEE (06-5-100B)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Hausman to authorize payment of a \$2778 service award to Student Trustee Patrick Burns, in accordance with District Rules and Regulations Section 1.05. The motion carried, all members voting "Aye."

Members of the Board extended their appreciation to Student Trustee Burns for his two terms of outstanding service, with special thanks for the excellence of his representation of District students. Student Trustee Burns thanked the Board and noted that his successor will be selected by the students shortly. He stated that both of the Student Trustee candidates are outstanding individuals who will serve the District and its students well. He said that he would be in attendance at the June 14 Study Session, at which time the new Student Trustee will be sworn in.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2006 (06-5-5C)

Executive Vice Chancellor Keller presented the report, which was forwarded to the State Chancellor's Office and to the San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with Education Code requirements.

THIRD QUARTER REPORT OF AUXILIARY OPERATIONS (06-5-6C)

Executive Vice Chancellor Keller presented the report, which covers the period July 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006 for Associated Student Bodies, Bookstores and Cafeterias.

UPDATE OF FACILITIES MASTER PLAN – DISTRICTWIDE (06-5-7C)

Executive Director of Facilities Planning and Operations Nuñez opened the discussion and asked Liz Gibbons and Ernie Yamana, consultants from Steinberg Architects, to present information to the Board. Mr. Yamana stated that the Facilities Master Plan documentation reflects a strategy to provide the facilities that support the Colleges' mission statements. He described the Plan process, which includes physical and academic review and analysis; options development; solutions development; and approval. The following elements are included in the guiding principles that are considered in the implementation of each strategy: accessibility; asset preservation; fiscal responsibility; human interaction; safety and security; sustainability; and focus on students. He emphasized that the process encouraged participation of College constituencies at all levels.

Ms. Gibbons presented the highlights of the Plan at Cañada, which will provide spaces that accommodate a diversity of academic, social and community uses both indoors and out; will provide an atmosphere that fosters and supports interaction among faculty, staff and students; will promote a stimulating environment that embraces community participation; will manage the interface between pedestrians and vehicles; and will provide buildings that accommodate College enrollment and operational needs.

At CSM, she stated that the Plan goals will provide a supporting, collaborative and integrative learning environment; provide a working environment in which faculty and staff can thrive; will strengthen partnerships with businesses, industry and other educational institutions which supporting community use of facilities; will express the campus image; and will support institutional needs.

The Plan at Skyline will provide a student setting that supports and exemplifies academic excellence and accommodates the needs of a diverse student population and community; will support recruitment and retention of diverse and excellent faculty and staff; will facilitate opportunities for multicultural expression, exchange and enrichment in the community;

will provide access and wayfinding through clearly articulated entry points; as well as sufficient and distributed parking; will provide a campus setting that supports and stimulates intellectual curiosity as well as gathering spaces that promote human interaction to ensure a cohesive College campus.

The Board, executive staff and other members of the audience expressed their appreciation for the presentation.

SKYLINE COLLEGE AND SUMMER SERVICE IN THE CHILDREN’S CENTER (06-5-8C)

Skyline President Morrow presented the report, which described the rationale for a Child Development Center at Skyline, the size and service level offered at the Center and the features of the Summer Children’s Center which contribute to its uniqueness.

She said that the Center raises the level of child development and care in the entire community, providing instruction to students studying early childhood education, psychology, sociology and other health-related areas if study. The Center also supports the lives of Skyline college students, many of whom are not only students but also parents and workers. The availability of high quality, subsidized services supports them in their efforts to attend to the priorities of being both a parent and a student. In addition, the availability of these services enhances not only the development of participating children but also of the students’ parenting skills. As examples of the College’s commitment to the Center, President Morrow stated that the College has submitted an FPP to the State to allow the College to 1) replace the cramped and antiquated portable now in use as the Center; and 2) expand the capacity of the Center to double the current size and allowable number of children.

Child care services for preschool children are available to SMCCCD students, faculty and staff. The children may attend on a part-time basis (up to 6.5 hours) or a full-time basis (over 6.5 hours). The Center can serve a total of 47 children in each of the two classrooms. The Center is open M-F, 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. when the College is open for Fall and Spring semesters. Costs range from \$33/day to \$50/day, depending on the age of the child and the number of hours in the Center. The State Department of Education subsidizes the cost of child care to qualifying families; families that do not qualify for the subsidy can enroll their children at the full fee.

President Morrow stated that a number of factors affect whether, and when, the College should return to a Summer Children’s Center: structure of the College’s summer instructional offerings, budgetary considerations, and enrollment history. Enrollment at Skyline during the Summer is approximately 2/3 smaller than either Fall or Spring enrollment. Because the majority of the Summer instructional programs are only six weeks long (with some shorter sessions that are conducted before or after the six-week term), non-student parents would need to make alternate child care arrangements before and after the open weeks; this is an unattractive option for many parents.

As for budget history, the Center operated during the Fall, Spring, and Summer terms, during which times the total expenditures consistently exceeded revenues. The deficit was addressed by transferring resources from the District. A careful fiscal analysis led to the decision to offer services during the Fall and Spring semesters only, beginning with the 2004 05 academic year. For that year, the budget was balanced with an ending balance of approximately \$10,000. From 1999 through 2004, enrollment figures during the summer ranged from a high of 47 to a low of 28 at the outset of the sessions, but the number completing the sessions was much lower, ranging from 30 down to 20, and reflecting a withdrawal rate of 34%. The withdrawal rate in the Spring and Fall semesters is far smaller. When there is a withdrawal during the Fall or Spring, the vacancy is easily filled by a child on the waiting list. During the previous six summers during which Center services were offered, there has not been a waiting list, due to insufficient demand.

The Board expressed its appreciation for the report.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 9:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:25 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS TAKEN

President Mandelkern reported that, at the Closed Session conducted earlier, the Board considered the personnel items listed on the printed agenda and unanimously approved the actions in Board Report No.1-A and 1-B He also reported that the Board discussed collective bargaining matters with Chief Negotiator Joel; no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Hausman to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried, all members voting "Aye." The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board will be a Study Session on June 14, 2006, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be June 28, 2006, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

Submitted by

Ron Galatolo
Secretary

Approved and entered into the proceedings of the June 28, 2006, 2006 meeting.

Helen Hausman
Vice President-Clerk