



SAN JOAQUIN DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING Tuesday, October 3, 2006

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the San Joaquin Delta Community College District was held on Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 5:45 p.m. Closed Session and 6:30 p.m. Public Meeting, in the Board Room, Administration 103, 5151 Pacific Ave., Stockton, California.

Members Present: Ted Simas, President; Maria Elena Serna, Vice-President; Leo Burke, Clerk; Greg McCreary, Dan S. Parises, Anthony Bugarin, Janet Rivera, Jovan Paunovic, Student Representative

<p>I. Called to Order The Board meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Board President Simas.</p>	<p>Call to Order</p>
<p>II. Communications 1. Public Comments Lodi resident Troy Wagers residing at 17867 N. Kennison Lane addressed the Board of Trustees with concerns regarding the college's plans to expand in the Lodi area. Mr. Wagers read a statement on behalf of neighbor Bill Johnson who was unable to attend the meeting. The statement by Mr. Johnson was against building a college site on Kennison Lane. Mr. Wagers stated that he has lived on Kennison Lane for four generations and that this was a very tough subject for him to address.</p>	<p>Public Comments</p>
<p>III. Recess to Closed Session Board President Simas convened to Closed Session to discuss matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and 54957.6, 54956.8. Trustee Bugarin motioned and Trustee Serna seconded the motion to recess to closed session. Vote: 7/0; motion carried.</p>	<p>Closed Session</p>
<p>IV. Reconvene Public Session Board President Simas reconvened the meeting at 6:35 p.m. p.m. with the following to report: <i>The Board voted 5/2 to approve the extension of the 5 option agreements on the highway 12 property, to extend the due diligence period by 60 days. Vote: 5/2, descending votes by McCreary and Simas.</i></p>	<p>Reconvene Public Session</p>
<p>V. Pledge of Allegiance Trustee Simas led the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>	<p>Pledge of Allegiance</p>
<p>VI. Communications 1. Public Comments Lodi residents Janice Miller residing at 17519 N.</p>	<p>Public Comments</p>

Kennison Lane; Terry Fena residing at 17598 Kennison Lane; Nicole Miller residing at 1607 Conventry Lane and; Sue Harper residing at 510 Cardinal Street addressed the Board of Trustees with concerns regarding the college's plans to expand in the Lodi area.

Their concerns ranged from environmental impact issues, bond fund usage, and questions regarding the Board's postponement to vote on the matter.

VII. Information/Report Items

A. Travel to Paris Program.

Peggy Rocha, French Instructor in the Social Science Division gave a report on the Study Abroad Program. Ms. Rocha explained the program to the Board of Trustees and shared a Power Point presentation in support of her report. Ms. Rocha stated that 22 Delta students participated in the program for 4 weeks. The students stayed with host families in Paris and were immersed in the language and culture of France. Students attended classes in the morning Monday-Friday and received 7 units of credit, 5 units of French Language and 2 units of Humanities which was the cultural component of the program. Students were able to site-see in the afternoons and took lengthy excursions throughout Paris. Ms. Rocha introduced students Caitlin Mackey and Tracy Wheaton who spoke on their experience abroad.

Ms. Rocha thanked Dr. Karen Milsop, the administration and the Board of Trustees and asked for their continued support.

Trustee Parises asked how the students paid their way to France. Ms. Rocha responded that there is financial aid available to students. Trustee Serna stated that she agreed with the positive educational experience the students receive in the program and that she will support future educational trips.

Student Trustee and ASBG President Jovan Paunovic stated that he was amazed to see American students going to visit other cultures.

Trustee Simas thanked Ms. Rocha and thanked students Caitlin Mackey and Tracy Wheaton for being good ambassadors to France.

B. Extended Opportunity Program & Services.

Director of Extended Opportunity Program & Services (EOPS) Jose Michel addressed the Board of Trustees regarding EOPS and shared a Power Point presentation regarding the programs success measures. Mr. Michel

Information/Report Items

Travel to Paris Program.

Extended Opportunity Program & Services.

stated that more than 1300 students are served annually through the college's EOPS which is a state funded program. Mr. Michel informed the Board the program is the 8th largest EOPS program in the State and shared the mission and services of the program.

C. Bond Update.

Vice President of Business Services Andy Dunn gave an update on the Mountain House Project stating that this discussion has been held in closed session for some time due to threat of litigation. Vice President Dunn informed the Board that that threat of litigation has been lifted and it was now appropriate to discuss the Mountain House Project in public session. Vice President Dunn discussed the land conveyance, a temporary construction easement, the annexation process, the infrastructure agreement and the potential ground breaking ceremony.

VIII. Communications

Superintendent/President:

Dr. Raul Rodriguez reported the loss of Dr. Della Condon's husband and the scholarship that has been established in his name.

Dr. Rodriguez pointed the Board to the program for the National Community College Annual Symposium that he and Trustee Rivera attended. Dr. Rodriguez stated that Delta was a sponsor of the event and thanked Trustee Rivera for attending and giving the welcome at the awards banquet and being a part of a panel as well.

Dr. Rodriguez stated that he had learned a lot at the conference and shared with the Board a program developed at Cabrillo College, Watsonville Center called the Digital Bridge Academy. The program was designed to take one semester using digital technology and some other techniques to assist students to get out of basic skills and into college level courses in one semester. The success rate of the program has been phenomenal at an almost 85% success rate. Dr. Rodriguez informed the Board that he would be bringing the developer of the program to the campus to work with our faculty.

Dr. Rodriguez informed the Board of the state-wide bond measure in November, Proposition 1B, which is a kindergarten to university construction bond. The college has a big part in this bond that may provide the college with \$40 million in matching funds. Dr. Rodriguez informed the Board that though this is outside of our college duties here at Delta there will be an event to be held in Stockton on October 19 for Delta

Communications

Superintendent/President
Dr. Rodríguez

College, the Yosemite District and Merced to try to raise money. Over \$50,000 has already been raised and other donations are pending. Dr. Rodriguez stated that he really wanted to thank the people who donated to the bond measure.

Dr. Rodriguez stated that the other thing the bond measure will do besides give money to higher education is it will allow us to create projects that relate to the California Building and Standards Code.

Dr. Rodriguez commended Peggy Rocha on her presentation and reflected on his own experience studying abroad.

Dr. Rodriguez stated that the college has been working with the University of the Pacific on a number of projects and that we are the largest feeder school to the university sending 90 students to UOP last year by comparison to other community colleges in the area.

Board of Trustees:

Trustee McCreary commended Peggy Rocha on her Study Abroad Program. Trustee McCreary reported on his attendance at the Tracy Unified School Districts Board meeting in support of the Passport to College Program and was very impressed with their sound system. Trustee McCreary raised concerns that the college's sound system by comparison is not as clear and this makes it difficult to hear motions. Trustee McCreary recommended that staff move to get microphones for the boardroom – both the podium and the board table.

Trustee Parises made comments regarding the sound system for graduation stating that it is also inadequate.

Dr. Rodriguez added that when the boardroom was remodeled microphones were purchased and stated that he would look into getting them installed. In regards to the graduation ceremony, Dr. Rodriguez explained that two years ago the college invested in getting an outside sound system at the University of the Pacific (UOP) because their sound system was so bad, but the other problem is the poor acoustics in the UOP structure. It was hoped that the college graduation could move downtown to the new Stockton Arena. Staff had toured the facility however it was found to be cost prohibitive.

Trustee Serna informed the Board that she had attended the Passport to College reception at the college last week. With respect to the Foundation,

Board of Trustees

Trustee Serna asked about the audit exceptions found last year, whether or not they had been corrected. Dr. Rodriguez stated that the Foundation has an annual audit and that they are using the same auditors that the college uses. Although there were some items noted they are being corrected. At the last Foundation board meeting policies were being looked at for adoption, which are the auditor's recommendations however it may take longer than expected to get the policies adopted.

Trustee Simas added that, as a member of the Foundation Board, there was a merger of the SJDC Foundation with the old Auxillary to use the 501 C 3 tax status. Trustee Simas stated that there are still some accounting issues which were addressed by our accounting system however there are no issues of monies missing or anything like that.

Trustee Simas also stated that he had attended the Passport to College event at August Knodt school in Weston Ranch. Trustee Simas was very impressed with the work of Dr. Mary Ann Cox and Diana Slawson. The event was very well attended and parents seemed very excited to be there.

Trustee Simas further added there are 12,000 students eligible for the Passport program. Dr. Della Condon approached the Foundation to pay for these children's participation. The Foundation has agreed to fundraise to help raise the \$2 million needed and that funds will not come out of the general fund.

Constituent Groups:

No comments.

No comments.

Management Senate President Alin Ciochina informed the Board of Trustees about the POST Academy's 25th graduation stating that 46 students graduated with 15 already hired. Dr. Ciochina thanked faculty members Jeff Hislop and Bruce Able as well as the POST Academy secretary Lorie Kulp.

ASBG President Jovan Paunovic informed the Board of Trustees that Academic Senate President Janice Takahashi had approached the ASBG with concerns regarding the student book loan program. Mr. Paunovic

Constituent Groups
Academic Senate
Janice Takahashi

Classified Senate
Joyce Giovanetti

Management Senate
Alin Ciochina

ASBG President/Student
Trustee
Jovan Paunovic

explained the program to the Board and the problems students are experiencing. Mr. Paunovic pledged the support of the ASBG for the program and asked that the administration and rest of the Delta College community work with the ASBG to ensure books are available for students to loan.

No comments.

No comments.

No comments.

CTA
Joe Gonzales

CSEA President
Pat Putnam

POA
Mario Vasquez

Adjournment

Board President Simas adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Raúl Rodríguez
Superintendent/President and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees