EXECUTIVE BOARD
Approved Minutes
May 25, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Steve Collins, Modesto Junior College
David Dauwalder, CSU Stanislaus
Dennis Gervin, YCCD/Columbia College
Jane Lawrence, UC Merced
John Spevak, Merced College
Marcella Rodgers, HECCC Executive Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The Board approved the April 20, 2005 meeting minutes as read.

HECCC
Ford Foundation Project: Lawrence discussed the Ford Foundation projects at the request of the Board. It is felt that this may be a good model to review as the Board addresses the need to increase the community college student transfer rate to the University.

CSU System Wide Lower Division Transfer Project: Dauwalder distributed an information packet to each Board member. He informed the committee that CSU Stanislaus is participating in 20 of the 30 baccalaureate majors.

Articulation and Evaluators Committee Updates: Rodgers shared a copy of the training handbook created by the HECCC Evaluators Committee. The evaluators did not think a training conference was necessary. They would rather use the handbook on an individual basis to provide training to new employees. The Board asked that the handbook be shared with the Presidents and Chancellors during the Joint Council June meeting.

Physics Project Update: There are 24 high school physics/physical science teachers registered for the summer 2005 institute with two people on the waiting list. Rodgers distributed a hard copy of the high school physics/physical science teacher data base that has been developed by the HECCC Regional Office. This information will be shared with Council as approved by Board members. It was suggested that if the high school teachers would make the three-year commitment this would create some research possibilities. Rodgers proposed a wine and cheese tasting event (using HECCC funds) for all of the participating teachers to meet with UC, CSU, and community college faculty during the training. Board members approved.

Draft Council Meeting Agenda: The draft Council meeting agenda was approved by Board. The Ford Foundation concept will be added under 05/06 Goals and Priorities.

Budget: The Board reviewed and discussed the list of current and proposed job duties for the HECCC Administrative Assistant. The proposed increase of $5,000 for clerical support was approved.

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Research Report Activity One: Rodgers will send a complete packet to the Council and share a one page executive summary during next joint meeting.

Research Report Activity Two: Rodgers discussed the importance for each student to have an accurate educational plan to increase student transfer success. Coordinators are to
meet with students three times per semester. The coordinators agreed to conduct monthly campus meetings with their mentors and invite the CSU mentors and the CSU Activity Two Coordinator.

Tech Support: Rodgers expressed the need for a consultant to work on Collaborative Regional Server diagnosis. She informed the Board that she had talked to someone in CISCO Systems about possible candidates. Dauwalder suggested creating a contract to hire someone. Collins suggested our office contact the Assistant Chancellor of Technology at MJC as another option.

Advisory Committee: Board members discussed the need of adding a CSU Stanislaus representative for this committee.

CAMPUS REPORTS

Merced College: Completed hiring of 16 faculty members. A new science and library building have been approved at Los Banos campus.

UC Merced: The opening Day Celebration is scheduled for September 5, 2005, with the first day of class set for September 6, 2005. Approximately 1,000 students are enrolled for Fall 2005 semester.

Modesto Junior College: Jim Williams is now the permanent Yosemite District Chancellor. More than 30 new faculty have been hired. MJC is in search of permanent President. Collins will retire in mid-July but a new Interim Vice President for Instruction has been found.

Columbia College: Currently hiring a new dean.

CSU Stanislaus: This year the University is graduating 1,800 students. Commencement is on May 28, 2005. President’s Celebration to honor her retirement was a success. New faculty hiring is 70% completed. The new president will start in July. OIT and Global Affairs are hiring new management leaders.

OTHER
Collins, Dauwalder, Gervin, Lawrence, Rodgers, and Spevak agreed to organize and attend a meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2005 at CSU Stanislaus from 1pm to 4pm. The meeting focus is how to increase community college student transfer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recorder