

SANTA CLARITA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STUDY SESSION / SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2006
MINUTES

The Business Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District was called to order on Monday, August 7, 2006, by President Bruce Fortine, in the Staff Dining Room of the Student Center, College of the Canyons, 26455 Rockwell Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, California.

Members Present: Mr. Bruce D. Fortine
Mrs. Michele R. Jenkins
Mrs. Joan W. MacGregor (via teleconference)
Mr. Ernest L. Tichenor
Mr. Steve Pemberton, Student Trustee

Others Present: Dr. Dianne Van Hook, Superintendent-President
Dr. Mijtl Capet, Assistant Superintendent/VP of Instruction
Dr. Michael Wilding, Interim Asst. Superintendent/VP, Student Services
Ms. Sharlene Coleal, Vice President, Business Services
Dr. Barry Gribbons, VP, Institutional Development, Technology & Online Services/ Interim
Asst Superintendent
Ms. Diane Fiero, Vice President, Human Resources
Ms. Lynne Mayer, Administrative Assistant

President Fortine declared a quorum, noting Ms. MacGregor was present via teleconference. He called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**Quorum Established
(1.1)**

President Fortine asked Mr. Pemberton to lead the flag salute.

**Flag Salute
(1.2)**

President Fortine welcomed all present and invited members of the audience desiring to address the Board to so indicate, and they would be recognized. He also welcomed Dr. Capet to his first official Board meeting since he started on August 1.

**Welcome Guests
(1.3)**

The Board moved approval of the Agenda for the meeting. A roll call vote was taken: Tichenor-Aye; Jenkins-Aye; MacGregor-Aye; Fortine-Aye; Student Trustee-Aye.

**Approval of Agenda
(1.4)**

Motion: Tichenor Second: Jenkins Record of Board Vote: 4-0
Student Opinion: Aye

The Board received an informational PowerPoint on Educational Program and Facilities Needs, Planning and Funding Options at College of the Canyons. Dr. Van Hook provided information on:

- Current conditions to be addressed including infrastructure needs.
- New programs on the horizon to address community demand and support of business and industry.
- An overview of Measure C bond funding, how it was spent, state matches received, the benefits we have received from these funds.
- Enrollment growth, projections, & concurrent enrollment trends for the District.
- Our current demands for updated curriculum, as well as classroom and student services space needed to create opportunities and respond to community needs.

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- The current need for a General Obligation bond on the November 2006 ballot, equating to \$160 million for the District (\$9.73 per \$100,000 of assessed value); approximately \$30 per year per property owner.
- Overview of how the money would be spent, including new/expanded program space, site repairs and modernization of existing facilities, site upgrades, health and safety, technology, new buildings, and remodel of 35 year old space for new curriculum and programs.

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Following Dr. Van Hook's presentation, the Board members noted that:

- Student population growth could reach much higher than we expect or can even try to predict.
- Community college's accept **all** students, and do not turn them away like UC/CSU schools. We are limited in our space now, and must expand.
- In a bond, we would be asking the voters for an amount of money that we need, not just the legal maximum, and we would be acting responsibly for the community.
- Homeowners should investigate and know the difference between assessed value versus market value on their property.
- The District is basing this decision on the College's need and desire to support the community's needs.
- We also anticipate an increase in our student growth from students who did not pass the high school exit exams for math and English.

Several individuals who attended the meeting addressed the Board, voicing their support for the College's needs as this will support the furthering of industry training, vocational training, and space needs. They voiced an overall positive response to meeting the community's and students' needs. Those addressing the Board were:

- Ms. Sue Albert – Dean, Allied Health, COC
- Mr. Roger Korte – CREATE
- Mr. Bill Barritt – CFO, Advanced Dynamics Incorporated
- Mr. Kevin Anthony – Director, Hotel & Restaurant Management, COC
- Mr. Gary Dalton – Machine Shop Manager, Westman Filter
- Dr. Dena Maloney – Dean, Economic Development, COC
- Mr. Peter Bellas – Director, CACT, COC

Dr. Van Hook listed the many academic disciplines that have a need for additional classrooms, labs and/or equipment that would be addressed in the 2006 Bond and noted the specific plans for these areas that a 2006 bond would allow us to develop.

Ms. Jenkins noted the Board would be looking to Mr. Pemberton for support from the ASG and the students, as they will be the voices of the students who are positioned to benefit from a bond.

Dr. Gribbons provided results of the recent surveys conducted, which included the need to convey to the community the current needs of the District. The surveys reaffirmed the high opinion the community has of the College and there was support for a bond measure to benefit COC.

Ms. MacGregor also thanked members of the Measure C Oversight Committee and the Canyon Country Educational Center Advisory Committee for their time and awareness of everything the College is striving to do for the community's benefit.

There were no other comments.

**Comments by Members
of the Audience on Any
Item NOT on the agenda
(2.2)**

**Board of Trustees Minutes – Study Session/Special Meeting
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President Fortine announced the next regular business meeting will be Wednesday, August 9, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. for Open Session in S-132, Staff Dining Room in the College of the Canyons Student Center.

Announcement of Next Meeting (08/09/06) and Adjournment (3)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mr. Ernie L. Tichenor, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Santa Clarita Community College District

Dr. Michael Wilding
VP, Student Services/Interim Assistant Superintendent
College of the Canyons

Entered in the proceedings of the District _____