



# SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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*Board of Trustees Office*

## Trustee Advisory Council (TAC)

Thursday, February 6, 2014  
3375 Camino del Rio South - Room 245  
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  
Minutes

Convener: Laurie Coskey

**Members present:** Clint Carney, Laurie Coskey, Keith Jackson, Jeff Marston, Alan Mobley, Alberto Ochoa, Olivia Puentes-Reynolds, Gary Rotto, Evonne Seron Schulze, Cecil Steppe, David Valladolid

**Board Members present:** Bernie Rhinerson, Maria Nieto Senour

**District officials, staff, and guests present** Constance Carroll, Margaret Lamb, James MacLeod

**Members absent:** Willie Blair, Nola Butler Byrd, Dwayne Crenshaw, Herb Delute, Bob Garber, Ricardo Flores, Sid Voorakkara

**Board Members absent:** Mary Graham, Rich Grosch, Peter Zschiesche

### Welcome/Introductions

Laurie Coskey

Laurie Coskey welcomed new TAC member Alan Mobley and asked him to share some of his background.

Alan Mobley stated that he is a professor of Criminal Justice at SDSU and that his focus is on restorative justice. Restorative justice focuses on why the crimes were committed and the impact on the family of those who are incarcerated, instead of on who is guilty of the crime. He shared that because of funding cuts, there has been a change with the California Prison System not accepting as many prisoners from the cities and counties. Unfortunately, some people will stay in county jails for 6 years or more and the county jails do not provide the same opportunities for education or job training. Alan Mobley stated that in the prison system, a society develops which provides much needed social outlets and some normalcy.

### Trustees' Update

Trustees

Trustee Rhinerson shared that he and Trustees Grosch and Graham attended the Community College League of California's Legislative Conference in Sacramento, CA, last month. He said that the conference was very productive and gave them opportunities to meet with legislators and discuss the need for community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees in specific programs. Trustee Rhinerson said that it has been a very good month, in part because of the release of the Governor's budget, which is favorable to community colleges.

Trustee Senour share that Chancellor Carroll was the Grand Marshall of the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade. She added that this was a great honor acknowledging the important work that Chancellor Carroll has done for students and the District. Trustee Senour said that she was glad to have Alan Mobley as a member of the TAC is because of his focus on the injustices in the prison system and the inequity that exists in the sentencing of different crimes and ethnic groups, and that Alan will help to give insight into how to make education more accessible to people incarcerated.

### **Approval of the December 19, 2014, minutes**

The minutes were approved on a motion by Keith Jackson, and a second by Cecil Steppe. Alan Mobley and Gary Rotto abstained.

### **Update from ad hoc committee on strategic outreach for TAC engagement**

Laurie Coskey,  
Olivia Puentes- Reynolds,  
Trustee Maria Nieto Senour,  
and Clint Carney

Clint Carney stated that the subcommittee had developed a form to chart the demographics of the TAC members. He shared that this information will be used to help identify areas that are needed to broaden the expertise of the TAC. Members were instructed to fill in the forms and give them to James MacLeod, who will compile the statistics.

### **Chancellor's Report**

Chancellor Constance Carroll

- Governor's Budget

After five years of fiscal crisis and severe budget reductions, the passage of Proposition 30 in November 2012 resulted in partial restoration funding that took effect in 2013-14, ushering in the first wave of rebuilding California's beleaguered public institutions. Having lost over \$33 million during the budget downturn, the San Diego Community College District received a \$12.3 million increase in funding and was able to restore over 1,000 class sections for students (including plans for a 50% restoration of the summer session), add 30 full-time faculty positions, replace many faculty and classified staff position vacancies, and provide a cost of living increase for employees. Chancellor Carroll shared that this is the best financial news in many years.

- Baccalaureate Study Group Final Report

Chancellor Carroll stated that there is good progress towards California community colleges offering bachelor's degrees. The Baccalaureate Study Group Final Report has been published. The report describes that 21 states offer bachelor's degrees and gives more information on this issue. She shared that many of these states are having success with offering bachelor's degrees in specific, job-related areas.

Cecil Steppe asked what the fate will be for the students who receive an associate degree if the community colleges will offer a bachelor's degree; will the associate degree be eliminated? Chancellor Carroll responded saying that the associate degree will still be offered, and it is expected that those students will continue on to get a bachelor's degree. He also asked where the for-profit universities stand on this issue.

Chancellor Carroll stated that the for-profit universities are not in favor of this move. She added that enrollment has been down at the for-profit universities.

- SB 850 (Block) Community College Baccalaureate

SB 850 Public postsecondary education: community college districts: baccalaureate degree pilot program; authored by Senator Marty Block. Chancellor Carroll said that the bill is worded to encourage support from the CSU and nursing associations.

Evonne Schulze asked if the bill applies to districts or colleges. Chancellor Carroll said the bill will apply to both, which will give SDCCD the same benefit as the districts that have only one college.

Chancellor Carroll shared that the Board of Trustees will be considering the adoption of a resolution supporting SB 850 at the February 27, 2014, Board meeting. She asked the TAC members for support by sending letters to the legislature individually and as a group after the resolution has passed. Laurie Coskey requested that the TAC members be given a sample of the individual letters.

Chancellor Carroll praised Senator Block for being willing to start and move forward with this important direction. She added that the bill has bipartisan support.

### **Announcement of Upcoming SDCCD Events**

- Grand Opening – City College Science Building, February 19, 2014, 10:00 a.m.
- Board Meeting – District Office, February 27, 2014
- Joint Board Meeting SDCCD-SDUSD, March 18, 2014
- Grand Opening – Mesa College Math and Science Complex, March 19, 2014, 10:00 a.m.
- Board Meeting – Miramar College, March 27, 2014
- Board Meeting – Continuing Education, North City Campus, April 17, 2014

### **Adjournment**

**Future Meeting Dates: Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 12:00 p.m. Group Photo**