



# SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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*Board of Trustees Office*

## Trustee Advisory Council (TAC)

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

Convener: Laurie Coskey

**Members present:** Willie Blair, Nola Butler Byrd, Clint Carney, Laurie Coskey, Dwayne Crenshaw, Bob Garber, Jeff Marston, Alan Mobley, Olivia Puentes-Reynolds, Gary Rotto, Evonne Seron Schulze, David Valladolid, Sid Voorakkara

**Board Members present:** Rich Grosch, Bernie Rhinerson, Maria Nieto Senour, Peter Zschiesche

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

**Members absent:** Herb Delute, Ricardo Flores, Alberto Ochoa, Cecil Steppe

**Board Members absent:** Mary Graham

### 1. Welcome/Introductions

Laurie Coskey

Rabbi Coskey welcomed the members and thanked them for their time, their service and their commitment to the future in helping students succeed. She asked the members to share their goals for the TAC during this school year.

The suggestions include:

- Addressing Student Poverty and Homelessness
- Bring more urban engagement with the Community
- Bring Students in the Transfer Program to a TAC meeting and share their experience.
- Continue support of the Baccalaureate Degree Program
- Push for more Innovation within the District that is not necessary dependent on more funding
- Incorporate the Parent Institute for Quality Education as a support system in the District

Rabbi Coskey asked the members to take a moment to remember TAC Member Keith Jackson, who recently passed away. Olivia Puente-Reynolds said that Keith and she were reminiscing about the open collaboration that was taking place in the '70s and how things had changed. Olivia and Keith were working on a plan to help move toward better collaboration. Dwayne Crenshaw stated the Keith exhibited great faith-based leadership, and noted his willingness to help everywhere he could and that he was a servant leader. Trustee Zschiesche shared that Keith was

always positive and he demonstrated that in the community. Chancellor Carroll shared that Keith showed intellectual curiosity. He was always sharing information about the community and trying to make contacts between the District and the community. He was a very humble person and is dearly missed.

## **2. Trustees' Update Trustees**

Trustee Grosch announced that he had recently attended the Association for Community College Trustees (ACCT) conference with Trustees Graham, Rhinerson, and Zschiesche, and Chancellor Carroll. He and Chancellor Carroll gave a presentation on Collective Bargaining that was well received. Trustee Grosch noted that Mesa College Professor Carl Luna received the prestigious "William H. Meardy Award" for the ACCT Pacific Region. He also noted that the 2015 conference will be held in San Diego.

Trustee Zschiesche stated that he and Trustee Graham participated in a presentation on Military Education at the ACCT conference. He also shared that he had attended Manufacturing Day at the Corporate Education Center at City College. Trustee Zschiesche explain that Manufacturing Day brings local companies together and helps create a liaison with the District to show how important community college can be for their businesses.

Trustee Rhinerson shared that he attended the ACCT conference and found that it is very rewarding to have learning opportunities and support from other community colleges. He also shared that he represents the District on the Association for Community College Trustees (ACCT) Public Policy Committee, which is the legislative side of ACCT. He stated that there is a proposal from President Obama to rate colleges, which has received resistance from higher education. Evonne Schulze asked if the TAC can write letters to show that the District is against this policy. Trustee Rhinerson stated this would not be necessary at this time, but will be providing updates as the policy progresses. Chancellor Carroll will send information to the TAC as it becomes available.

## **3. Approval of the April 22, 2014, minutes**

The minutes were approved on a motion by Evonne Seron Schulze and a second by David Valladolid.

## **4. Update on Strategic Outreach for TAC engagement**

Rabbi Coskey stated that it is up to the Board members to appoint new TAC members that are diverse. Trustee Grosch said that the search has been in motion and asked the members for suggestions. Olivia Puentes-Reynolds suggested that the diversity survey be completed annually to help check the progress.

## **5. Chancellor's Report Chancellor Constance Carroll**

### **• SDCCD Budget Update**

Chancellor Carroll reported on the budget funding for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. She stated that the impact on the District is COLA of \$1.6 million, apportionment of \$6.0 Million, Student Success of \$6.4 Million and Deferral Buy-Down of \$18.6 million. Much this funding is due to Prop 30. [The Deferral Buy-Back is from payments the State made late over the last five years.] The \$18.6 million is only part of what the State owes the District. Chancellor Carroll emphasized that because the District has strong reserves the staff and faculty have not been affected, which is essential in order to provide the best services for students. Chancellor Carroll noted that much of the District's overall budget is from Propositions S & N. Jack Beresford said that much of the Propositions S & N funding will be going away as the bond programs finish. Bob Garber asked if Prop 2 would affect community colleges. Chancellor Carroll responded that yes; it will, but very little because those funds are from the state general fund. Sid Voorakkara asked how the funding level compares to 2008 as far as recovery from all the funding cuts. Chancellor replied that the District's funding level is at approximately 98% of what it was. She also added that Proposition 30 is a big part of the funding restoration. Evonne Seron Schulze asked if the District's reserves helped during the downturn. Trustee Grosch commented that the strong reserves kept the District from having any layoffs or benefits reductions. He shared that the Chancellor conducts annual forums at each campus to explain and inform everyone about the financial situation of the District, which helps them understand what is going on in the District. Peter commented that it is can be difficult for people to understand the need for strong reserves when they think that that money should go to the employees. He stated that because the District is so forthcoming about the budget the staff has a better understanding the budget strategy of the District and the reason for the reserves.

### **• Baccalaureate Update**

Chancellor Carroll reported that the Governor signed SB 850, the community college baccalaureate pilot, on September 28. She said that the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office would provide guidelines and that Mesa College will apply for one of the 15 slots, with a proposal for a bachelor's degree in Health Information Management. Chancellor Carroll will send more information to the TAC and this item will be on the next meeting's agenda.

### **• SDCCD Participation in the ACCT National Conference**

Chancellor Carroll reported that Trustees Graham, Grosch, Rhinerson, and Zschiesche and she attended the ACCT National Conference this month. Trustee Grosch and she gave a presentation on Collective Bargaining. The presentation was well received, and many people requested more information. Trustees Graham and Zschiesche participated in a presentation on Military Education. This presentation was also well received. Chancellor Carroll shared that Mesa College Professor Dr. Carl Luna received the prestigious "William H. Meardy Award" for the ACCT Pacific Region. The award is named after the ACCT's founding director, "who championed the concept of faculty excellence as the foundation for success in the community college movement."

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**December 18, 2014, meeting! Yes!**

**6. Announcement of Upcoming SDCCD Events**

- Board Meeting – District Office, November 6, 2014, 4:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting – District Office, December 11, 2014, 4:00 p.m.

**7. Adjournment**

**1:30 p.m.**

**Future Meeting Dates:   Thursday, December 18, 2014**  
**Thursday, February 5, 2015**  
**Thursday, May 21, 2015 – Group Photo – Date Change**