



SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CITY COLLEGE – MESA COLLEGE – MIRAMAR COLLEGE – CONTINUING EDUCATION

DISTRICT GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

August 21, 2013

Present: Bocaya, Conrad, Dowd, Figueroa, Haidar, Haro, Milligan-Hill (for Surbrook), Hsieh, Kohlenberg, Kovrig, Lareau, Ledbetter, Lee, Liewen, McGrath (for Luster), Mills, Moreno, Neault, Parker (for Beebe), Pawlak, Watkins and Chairperson Dowd (for Carroll)

Absent: Allen, Beebe, Beresford, Carroll, Greenberg, Jackson, Luster, Surbrook

Guests: Cassar, Hernandez

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of July 17, 2013, were approved with the following changes:

STATE BUDGET UPDATE

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd explained ~~budget projections for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, noting that there have been no significant changes from the tentative to the adopted budget which~~ that there are no 2013-14 state budget changes since SDCCD's tentative budget and that more would be known after the State Budget workshops are held in August. The SDCCD's adopted budget is scheduled to be reviewed by the Board of Trustees in September. She also reported on the District's most recent bond issuance to provide funding for continuing construction projects. She indicated that the District received the highest bond ratings ~~among all 72~~ from both entities for a California community college district. The bonds were sold for a total issuance of \$376,216,022. Dr. Carroll had high praise for the work of Dr. Dowd and her team.

2. **REVIEW OF BOARD AGENDA**

The agenda for the August 22, 2013, Board Meeting was opened for review by Dr. Dowd. Each item was discussed and satisfied including a discussion regarding minor changes to AP 0020.6: District Governance Council, to be approved at this meeting.

3. **STUDENT SUCCESS AWARD**

The council discussed the California Community College Chancellor's Office solicitation (due by October 4th) for nominations of a college/district program for the "Student Success Award". It was suggested that the SDCCD submit the "First Year Experience" program, which all agreed was an outstanding program at SDCCD and that the nomination be submitted on behalf of all four SDCCD institutions (colleges and CE). Acting Vice Chancellor of Student Services Gail Conrad said she would meet with Student Services Vice Presidents in advance of the September 4th DGC meeting to report on the status of a submission for consideration for this state award.

4. STATE BUDGET UPDATE

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd provided an update regarding the state deficit for 2012-13 and attempts to resolve the redevelopment agency revenues shortfall, which is resulting in a deficit for all districts; the “slow thaw” process occurring at the SDCCD as the state starts to provide access funds in 2013-14; and, the need for the SDCCD to focus first on increasing its instructional costs with regard to 50% law requirements. With this in mind, Dr. Dowd reported that 30 faculty positions will be filled with the intent of having personnel in place by January 2014, and the SDCCD will also be increasing FTES funding through the campus allocation model for additional summer offerings. Discussion followed including Dr. Dowd stating that there is also a need to provide increased funding for student service areas as a result of the requirements districts must meet under the Student Success Act of 2012. Dr. Dowd also reported that a review of operational costs will be occurring in order to provide additional funding within the SDCCD budget planning over the next several years for the new buildings coming on-line. The council was once again reminded that while there are additional state funds being provided in 2013-14 due to the passage of Proposition 30, the state is only restoring a portion of the revenue funding the SDCCD previously received, with total state imposed cuts to the SDCCD having been in excess of \$33 million over the past five years. The Board of Trustees will be considering adoption of the 2013-14 Budget at the September 12th meeting.

5. FALL PLANNING CONFERENCE

City College Interim President Lynn Neault updated the council on the Fall Governance/ Planning Workshop to be held on October 11th. She provided a brief status of work-to-date, asked the group to meet after DGC to touch base on planning the event, and invited new constituency leadership to join the group.

Adjourned 4:35 p.m.

Martha Strong

Chancellor's Office & Board of Trustees