MINUTES
Santa Barbara Community College District
Board of Trustees

Special Meeting
Thursday, April 30, 1998

Mr. Eli Luria opened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. All Board Members were present.

A. Overview of Facility Projects

The Superintendent/President reviewed with the Board the College’s previous Master Plan. Highlighted was the past decade-plus of progress during which the Master Plan has essentially been completed. All building projects with the exception of a possible multi-level parking lot along Loma Alta have been completed. The campus Landscape Master Plan has many projects to complete—all are dependent upon private funding.

Looking to the future, a planning conclusion is that facility needs for the two Continuing Education Centers will become more acute. This is based on two assumptions: (1) significant population growth projected to take place in the Goleta area of the District and (2) the increase in potential students that will begin to take place as baby boomers enter the retirement cycle, and the increasing need of employees to consistently upgrade their skills. Both the Wake and Schott Centers are presently operating at close to capacity.

For the Cliff Drive campus, there are at present problems in accommodating all classes and a shortage of offices for faculty and space for various college support activities; e.g., student services and grant-funded programs. Even with plans for the alternative delivery of education via the WWW, it is deemed wise to identify sites for campus facility development, go through the extensive review processes with Coastal Commission and local requirements and define potential building functions to respond to college facility needs that might arise.

Thus, the overall purpose of this Study Session was to identify building sites and facility plans that are seen as options to prepare the District facilities to support the College’s mission into the future (5, 10 & 15 years).

B. Review of New Buildings and SBCCCD Major Renovations - Preparing for the Future

1. Continuing Education Centers

   a. Schott Center: Reviewed with the Board were the model and plans, developed by KBZ Architects, and the educational plans for Schott Center-based programs. The model and plan highlights included underground parking, an addition placed in the center of the present parking area, and removal of the temporary buildings.

      A consensus supported major renovation of all classroom facilities to bring them up to a standard reflective of the condition present in the Schott Center’s recently remodeled Computers in Our Future Laboratory.

      The development of housing units in close proximity to the Schott Center was identified as having possible ramifications for the design prepared by the
architect. For example, proposals were made for the shifting of the building from
the center of the Schott Center to a location that recognizes the entrance from
Padre Street will not be the main entrance for the Schott Center.

Conclusions drawn from the discussion included:

- Support for renovating all Schott Center facilities;
- The development of new classroom and administrative facilities; and,
- the development additional parking.

The location for new facilities to replace temporary buildings and add space will
be discussed with the architect.

The total cost of the Schott Center renovations are estimated at approximately
$4.1 million at today’s construction costs.

b. Wake Center: The Board reviewed the proposals developed by KBZ Architects.
These proposals resulted from discussions with Vice President Romo and his
staff in which continuing education program requirements were outlined.
Because of perceived program requirements and the capability of the Wake
Center to accommodate expansion, major changes in the Wake Center were
proposed.

Vice President Romo reviewed program needs with the Board. He outlined how
these needs represented additional facility requirements. A major change at the
Wake Center was for a new Employee-based Training Center which would
service high technology companies in the Goleta area and provide educational
program support for area citizens. The Center would be equipped with
teleconferencing capability. In addition, there was a perceived necessity of
adding a significant amount of classroom space to meet projected demand.

Conclusions drawn from the discussion included:

- Support for the training center concept;
- Addition of classrooms by adding a second story;
- Facility renovations as essential for all present buildings; and,
- Additional parking.

Follow up areas included:

- Coordination with the College’s landscape architect, Mr. George Girvin,
  regarding traffic, both safety entering into the campus and the in-and-out flow
  of traffic from the campus.
- Development of the parking structure so as to be as unassuming as possible
  and to blend in with the area.
- Second story construction—why on the interior buildings of Wake.

The improvements and expansion of the Wake Center facilities were viewed as
important in meeting the future needs.

It is estimated that the renovations, new structures, and parking will cost
approximately $8 million.
2. **Campus Facility Plan**

Four major projects were reviewed with the Board.

- **Gymnasium Addition:** These plans were originally created by architect Bob Grant in 1992. That project has been submitted to the State. Though it is on a state list for funding, it is considerably down in the funding cycle and eventual funding by the State is unlikely.

- Other sites and options were reviewed.

  1. West Campus Building Site. This site is to the west of the Drama/Music Building. Possible use—a technology center.

  2. A building for general use; e.g., additional classroom space for student services and office space. This would be constructed east of the Student Services Building in the Quad area.

  3. Replacement of the present temporary building that now contains international programs and ESL functions. The new facility would house the international programs' administrative and student support functions and, office space for faculty and staff.

Considerable discussion was held on building in the areas proposed, and including them in the overall master plan. Concerns were expressed regarding the size and location of the building east of the Student Services. Comments were also made regarding the technology building in regard to its location for providing access and having it function as an integral part of the College campus.

The Gymnasium addition was recognized as an item that would be nice to have but was not viewed as a high priority. There is recognition that an alternative remodel project for the Gym might meet the major needs.

Conclusions drawn from the discussion included: submitting the initial planning proposal to the State that would include all the buildings with the square footage and locations as noted. However, these are seen as maximum commitments and subject to modification through the long-range development planning process and emerging facility needs required to carry out the College’s mission.

The estimated cost for building the four buildings and providing some additional parking was $25 million. With the Schott and Wake Centers, the total cost would be $37.1 million.

C. **Development of Campus Long Range Development Plan (LRDP)**

1. **Contracting for Expertise to Conduct CQEA, Coastal Commission Review and Outline Means to Confirm Size, and Resolve Issues of Parking, EIR, etc.**

Dr. Hanson reviewed the costs related to conducting this process and shared a potential timeline with the Board. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that this timeline was sound. Obtaining an architect to develop a new master plan was not essential.
D. Financing Bond Issues

It was agreed that following the Santa Barbara School District Bond Issue, Superintendent Mike Caston will be invited to meet with the Trustees to review the process followed by the Santa Barbara School District. A June 2000 bond issue to meet the Santa Barbara Community College District facility requirements will be evaluated.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 p.m.

Superintendent/President
Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Trustees