MINUTES
Santa Barbara Community College District
Board of Trustees

Study Session
Thursday, September 16, 1999

All Board Members, with the exception of Mr. Eli Luria and Ms. Joan Livingston, were present, including
the Student Trustee, Curry Smith.

The meeting began at 4:15 p.m.

1. Metropolitan Transit District Property on Calle Real – Meeting to Explore its Potential Use

   Mr. Brian Fahnestock, Vice President for Business Services, attended a meeting sponsored by
   the Metropolitan Transit District regarding options for use of MTD property on Calle Real. Items
   discussed for possible use by Santa Barbara City College included:

   ✓ On-site parking and shuttle from that location to the college;

   ✓ Possibly scheduling classes there, particularly, those that might involve collaborative efforts
     with K-12 for vocational technical training; and,

   ✓ Student housing and low-cost faculty housing.

   The primary purpose in bringing this item to the Board was to determine if the Board supported
   engaging in such discussions and possibly pursuing a collaborative planning effort that would
   examine the feasibility of such programs.

   The consensus was that such collaborative efforts with MTD and other community groups could
   have benefits for our community and fit with college needs and the mission of the college. Vice
   President Fahnestock will continue to represent the College at such discussions.

2. Long-Range Development Plan

   Dr. Hanson reviewed the work that is taking place with various groups in the community on the
   College’s LRDP. Specifically, an on-campus public hearing was held; a review with the Santa
   Barbara Planning Commission and the Santa Barbara City Council; and, a meeting with the
   Harbor Commission was scheduled in the early evening.

   The City’s preliminary report was shared with the Board. The Superintendent/President stated
   that he was concerned about the recommendations from the City; particularly, that the Board of
   Trustees would subject some of their actions to mutual agreement by the City. The
   Superintendent/President advised against such an agreement. Though the college will engage in
   highly collaborative and cooperative efforts with the City, ultimate decision making needed to be
   retained by the Board of Trustees.

   Further study of these matters, particularly, in regard to expectations regarding traffic
   management demand, campus parking and the responsibility of the college to provide for
   housing was needed. Thus, the consideration by the Board of the LRDP will not take place until
November. This will provide opportunity for the staff to conduct an analysis of the points raised by the City.

3. Bond

The Superintendent/President reviewed the activities taking place to inform our community of the November bond. Endorsees for the bond continue to be added. Mr. Brooks Firestone provided his endorsement and others are expected to follow. A Campaign Committee meeting was held earlier that afternoon at the Campaign Headquarters. Students are working hard registering voters and individuals are encouraged to vote by mail. All aspects of the plan are going well. The support of the Foundation in raising much needed funds was highlighted.

4. Overlook Development

The Superintendent/President reviewed the West Campus Landscape Master Plan highlighting the walkway and overlook points. A drawing of one of the small overlook points developed by landscape architect George Girvin was presented to the committee members. A donor will support the development of one of the smaller overlooks. The cost is approximately $50,000. The Superintendent/President will be developing a contract with Mr. Girvin and a contractor to achieve the construction of this first overlook.

5. Flex Day Evaluation

Mrs. Powell had questions regarding the Flex Day evaluation. Dr. Friedlander was present. Board Members were presented with a copy of the survey form. Dr. Friedlander reviewed the survey developed by the faculty and highlighted the seriousness with which the evaluation is being taken. The results will be compiled by Dr. Andreea Serban in the Office of Institutional Research and will be presented for further review and analysis. It is expected that the evaluations should be prepared in approximately two to three weeks.

6. Educational Master Plan

The Superintendent/President acknowledged the important work taking place at the State level to review the Higher Education Master Plan. The review taking place at this time will include K-12 matters and the impact of student performance in K-12 on higher education. The Higher Educational Master Plan review is an important activity and one that should be monitored by the college.

7. California Community Colleges Board of Governors and CCCT Board Governance Paper

Discussion took place regarding the joint governance paper approved by the Board of Governors Tuesday, September 14, 1999. The results of the letter sent by the Santa Barbara Community College District were reviewed with the Board. Specifically, clarification had been provided that the agreement is considered to be "a living document" and subject to annual examination by the CCCT Board and the Board of Governors. Input for the annual review will be sought from local community college districts.

The CCCT Board was meeting on Friday and Saturday—all Board Members have received a copy of the SBCCD letter.

The request was made that the Board President, Mr. Luis Villegas, write to the CCCT President requesting that the matter be reviewed at the November CCLC meeting. The Superintendent/President was asked to send a letter to David Viar acknowledging that this request would be made.
8. **Letter from the Siff Foundation**

A letter from a donor notifying the college that they were not pleased with recent college actions regarding students with special needs and that further support would be curtailed until such time as programs were reinstated. The message was received and it was acknowledged that such action is a prerogative of donors; however, it was believed that the approach being taken by the college was sound and necessary.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

September 20, 1999
Date

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Peter R. MacDougall
Superintendent/President
Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Trustees