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Santa Barbara Community College District
Board of Trustees
Study Session
Wednesday, September 13, 2001
4:00 p.m., Room A218C

1. State Budget Update

- The President reported that a bill to reinstate $98 million in California Community
College funding for instructional equipment and deferred maintenance passed both
Houses of the Legislature. Only one dissenting vote was registered in the combined
votes. Success on the bill followed an extensive effort by California Community
College's to reinstate the $98 million dollars that the Governor cut from the budget.
The task now will be to convince the Governor that the funding needs to be fully
reinstated. The effort to do so will be led by the Community College League;
certainly Santa Barbara City College will play a role in supporting that effort.
- There was recognition of how important the reinstatement of the funds was to the
California Community Colleges. For Santa Barbara City College reinstatement could
mean approximately $1.2 million dollars in funding.

2. Housing Options

- Mr. Barton Myers, Professional Architect, and a U.C.L.A faculty member presented
an overview of his conceptual plans pertaining to the possibility of the district
pursuing housing and increased parking on the West Campus. Specifically what the
architect explored were plans for placing housing and additional parking over the
current surface parking lots on the West Campus. Three plan formats were
presented ranging from low to medium to high density for both parking and housing.
Rough cost estimates for each plan were provided.
- Mr. Myers also discussed the positive impact of housing on the educational life of
the college, and the different designs he has applied in various University settings.
He referred specifically to projects he worked on at Universities in this country
(UCLA) and in Canada (Toronto).
• Dr. Alexander, who had to leave the meeting early, expressed concern regarding the limited space that the college has to expand educational facilities. In looking toward the future her concern was to maintain options to provide buildings for instruction. If the limited space was used for housing, the capability to provide additional academic structures would be reduced.

• The Board Members questioned whether providing faculty housing would require amenities for children e.g. child care, playgrounds etc. Issues relating to affordability and cost per unit were also highlighted.

• After considerable discussion it was agreed that the matter would be referred back to the college administration. The administration was charged with the responsibility of identifying the policy issues, and presenting the matter to the Board so as to enable the Board to evaluate the policy options and make a judgement regarding whether or not to proceed with increased parking and/or housing.

• Among the issues to be discussed are priorities regarding the use of space; costs for building; the unit affordability required; the mix of housing versus parking units; height issue; and “rippling” effects from the type of units proposed. For example; if faculty units allow for children, will playground space and other needs be required?

3. Update on Energy/Construction Projects

• Vice President Fahnestock said that the current lighting project should be finished on October 1, 2001. This project involves the retro-fitting of the LRC, the Bookstore and Campus Center to reduce energy consumption in these buildings. The reason for the delay in projection completion was explained.

• The energy audit for the campus to identify subsequent buildings that can be worked on to effect energy cost savings should be completed by November 1, 2001.

• The co-generation study. The project has been delayed while waiting to determine the “power profiles” for the various buildings. The expectation is that that project will be finished by mid October 2001.

• Vice President Fahnestock also reported on the status of construction projects. Specifically the LSG building is moving ahead quite smoothly with no major problems; the studio theatre is on schedule; and, the entertainment technology remodel has for the most part been completed. Mr. Fahnestock also distributed a
list of projects that have been completed since the summer. It was acknowledged that the list of projects undertaken and completed was very impressive. The good work of the staff was recognized.

4. **Long Range Development Plan**
   - The college’s plan, to be submitted to the Coastal Commission, represents a major action by Santa Barbara City College. With the consideration of housing and additional parking on the West Campus an evaluation will be made as to whether it is best to proceed now with a Coastal Commission review, or to incorporate parking and housing planning into the LRDP. There will be a meeting with the College’s Coastal Commission consultants to assess which option will be best.

5. **College Calendar Revision**
   - Executive Vice President Jack Friedlander spent considerable time reviewing the change in the college calendar. Dr. Friedlander asserted that with the shortened calendar it is expected that there will be fewer students with non-productive grades. Students will spend the same number of hours in class (longer class periods) but the number of weeks will be fewer. He reviewed the criteria to be used for decision making and provided a handout for review by the Board.
   - It was recognized that this matter will be thoroughly analyzed by the Academic Senate and the full faculty of the college. Recommendation will be forwarded to the Trustees.

6. **Selection of a new Superintendent/President**
   - Vice President Ehrlich reviewed the procedures for the selection process. These procedures will be forwarded to the various Governance groups and their feedback obtained on the process.

7. **Miscellaneous**
   - Consideration of a policy regarding special events on campus.
     - This policy statement is intended to consider weddings being held on campus. More administrative review is needed before a recommendation is made to the Board.
   - Lease: Lou Grant Parent/Child Workshop
A draft letter regarding the issue of a land lease from the sanitary district was reviewed. It was agreed that the current situation, i.e., without a lease, is more of an advantage to the college.

8. **Closed Session**
   - Conference was held with the District’s representatives for negotiations, Vice President Sue Ehrlich and Vice President Brian Fahnestock. Directions were provided to the negotiators.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:20 p.m.

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Superintendent/President
Secretary/Clerk to the Board of Trustees

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