MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

May 13, 2004

STUDY SESSION
4:00 p.m.
Room A-218C

MAC Building
Santa Barbara City College
721 Cliff Drive

Present: Dr. Alexander, Dr. Dobbs, Mr. Jurkowitz, Ms. Livingston, Mr. O'Neill, Mrs. Powell, Mr. Villegas, John Romo, Ken Radtkey (Blackbird Architect), Kyle Bruce (Blackbird Architect), Ron Baker, Alex Pittmon, Liz Auchincloss, Andreea Serban, Kathy O'Connor, Joe Sullivan, Peter Haslund, Leslie Griffin, Jack Friedlander, Ellen O'Connor, Sue Ehrlich.

Facilities

1. Press Box Design Proposal and Preliminary Plan

This phase of the project was funded through the generosity of Mr. Luria. Given that this study session would take place before the next facilities meeting, President Romo requested that presentation be made to the Board at this meeting.

Ken Radtkey, Blackbird Architect presented the design being considered for the Press Box.

Prior to proceeding to development of working drawings the proposal will be submitted to the department for additional input and to the Facilities Committee to address details.

Budget

1. Statewide overview

President Romo reported on budget developments at the state level, since the last meeting:

• The May revise is due out today. Information given at the CCCT Conference was the following: COLA was going to be increased to 2.4%, rather than the original proposed 1.84%. It is also expected that the governor is standing firm on the $26/unit fee and the $50/unit fee. It is expected that the PFE will be folded into the base and other categorical funds will be put into a block grant for the 04-05 budget.
• The Board of Governor’s adopted a resolution in support of the governor’s proposal for $59.8M in equalization. Also they supported loading the PFE into the base, voted to oppose the differential fee, but did not vote to oppose the $26 enrollment fee increase. They proposed taking funding from the Prop 98 reversion fund to allow funding of growth to the level of 3.65% and to also increase the amount to Continuing Ed. from $4M to $6M.

• Negotiations are taking place between the Governor’s office, community colleges and K-12 to establish an agreement on a permanent Prop 98 split. The pending agreement would not get community colleges up to the 12% established by the statute, but would establish community colleges Prop 98 funding at 10.8%.

• The governor is still advocating his dual enrollment concept design to send lower division students to community colleges. The position being taken by the State Senate Leadership is that if these students take advantage of the redirect to community colleges, the fees should not be waived.

• The Chancellor feels that he has regulatory flexibility to make changes in implementation of the AB1725 (PT/FT faculty requirements). He feels that the current formula mechanism in place is too much of a one size fits all approach, and that it doesn’t take into account individual campus and community needs. He will be convening a work group to address this matter.

• Although there has been quite a bit of debate taking place with regard to low revenue districts, it has been agreed that the community colleges would support whatever the governor is proposing. Also, there was support for the principle that if cuts were to take place they would be applied in a proportional way to the various major funding categories.

• It was reported that the governor has not backed off on his intent to achieve full equalization. The 04-05 $80 million commitment is the first of a three year commitment to equalization.

2. 03-04 P2 FTES Update

Andreea Serban handed out and reported on SBCC’s enrollments.
• Summer 2004 enrollment is currently 11.8% higher than Summer 2003.
• Fall 2004 enrollments are currently slightly higher than Fall 2003.
• SBCC will receive 3.73% growth FTES for credit in 03-04.
• SBCC received $722,501 for Basic Skills this fiscal year

3. Update on 04-05 Budget Development

Vice President Sullivan handed out and reviewed the 4-year budget projection analysis. Because there were many concerns and questions regarding the analysis, it was suggested that a Board Retreat be scheduled on a Saturday for a more thorough review
of the budget. The Board has penciled in the date of July 31 for the “Board Retreat”.

4. Resolution in Support of Equalization for California’s Community College Students

President Romo presented to the board a model resolution, which is in support of SB1875 (Alpert). CCLC is supporting this bill and by approving the resolution it would put SBCC on record in support of the senate bill.

Policies

1. Web Standards Policy Recommendation

Vice President Hamre discussed the web policy that will be presented at the Board meeting in May for approval. This policy was written to establish structure and standards for navigation, accessibility standards, and expectations for compliance with web page development standards. This policy was developed through consultation with appropriate committees.

2. Smoking on Campus Policy Recommendation

Vice President Sullivan explained that this policy was written to comply with the law that went into effect January 1, 2004. The college will put this policy into effect by the Fall semester. The recommendation was to make the campus a smoke free campus with designated smoking areas. A handout was distributed showing where the smoking areas will be posted. This policy will be presented to the Board for approval at the next board meeting.

Educational Programs

1. UCSB Actions on Freshmen Applicants: Impacts on SBCC

The Guaranteed Transfer Option (GTO) is a one-year program only. For this year UC as a system has made 1,700 GTO offers. Of the 1,700 GTO’s, UCSB has received 27 redirect students who have accepted the offer. Of the 27 that have accepted 22 will be attending SBCC. This will not have a significant impact on SBCC as the program will be for only one year.

2. Proposal to Move Community Access Television to SBCC Campus

SBCC has been approached by the South Coast Community Media Access Center for a potential partnership. The partnership would include the location of the Community Access Television Station and studios on the SBCC campus. Discussions are in early stages. President Romo asked for a sense of the board on the potential of this partnership.

The Board concurred that discussions between CMAC and SBCC could continue.
However, the Board also asked that this item be included on the next study session agenda for further discussion. The Board requested more details on the CMAC mission statement, and on potential liabilities and protections for the District. There should also be included an escape clause in any agreement that is made.

3. Contract Education Project with EF—this item was deferred.

**Board**

1. Board Evaluation

Mr. Villegas recommended to the Board that they spend an afternoon or a Saturday morning completing their evaluation. Mr. O’Neill and President Romo will discuss this and present a date to the board to complete this evaluation process. The recommendation was that the date be one where everyone can attend.

John B. Romo, President