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

November 2, 2005

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

MAC Building
Santa Barbara City College

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

President Alexander called the meeting to order.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Dr. Alexander, President
Dr. Dobbs, Vice President
Mr. Jurkowitz
Ms. Livingston
Mr. O’Neill
Mrs. Powell

Members Absent:

Mr. Villegas
Ms. Chatcuff (Student Trustee)

Others present for all or a portion of the meeting:

John Romo, Ben Partee, Dan Watkins, Liz Auchincloss, Marc Sullivan, Ann Frystie,
John Lorelli, Paul Bishop.

1.4 HEARING OF CITIZENS

No citizen expressed a wish to address the Board.
2. STUDY SESSION – (The study session will provide the Board with an opportunity to hold general discussions on a range of college issues. **NO** action will be taken.)

a. Student Life Initiatives

President Romo reported on the Communication’s Department Fair. The department hosts this event that highlights some of the professions in media, journalism, and communications every year. There were over 700 students who attended. KEYT, KSBY, The Independent, Jerry Roberts from the News Press, film producers, and a wide variety of media and communications businesses were represented. This was an outstanding event.

The Board received a report on improvements made over the past three years to the Campus Center operation.

Marc Sullivan, Food Director began the presentation. He noted that the cafeteria had been losing money every year and that one of the problems was that students were not eating/staying in the cafeteria. Thus began the partnership with John Lorelli, Ann Fryslie, and Dan Watkins, with input from the student senate to transform the center into a focal point for campus activity. Mr. Sullivan described some of the enhancements which took place, such as: repainting of serving and dining areas, addition of modern tables and chairs, wireless internet, projection TV, addition of bistro style seating in the outside areas, etc. Marc also presented to the board some of the current projects still being considered which are: additional tables, chairs, umbrellas, heaters and planters on the campus center patio; A projection video system in the Campus Center dining area, and an addition of a sandwich shop inside the campus center. There are also additional projects that are under consideration, such as the replacement of the Campus Center guardrail with clear glass. Mr. Sullivan explained that upgrades are necessary to the facilities in order to keep food services on the leading edge and to maintain its fiscal independence and viability.

Ann Fryslie provided a hand out and reviewed with the board some of the events being sponsored by the Student Life Office. Noontime entertainment is now a very popular event that is supported by a generous contribution from the bookstore; the Campus Center lobby has sprung to life with the addition of the wide-screen television; the Student Senate allocated funds to refurbish their clubroom to match the lobby and Cyber Center, which has increased the use of that room. The Cyber Center has increased student access to computers and the Friendship Plaza is being used for multi-cultural, educational events and political forums.

John Romo acknowledged John Lorelli’s generous support for all of the improvements that have taken place in the Campus Center.
b. 05-06 Budget Update

Vice President Sullivan provided the board with an overview of the information that will be presented to the college community as part of the ongoing budget forums. Mr. Sullivan provided a handout and reviewed it with the board.

c. 05-08 College Plan Draft – This item was deferred to the December Study Session

d. Information Technology Strategic Goals & Objectives for 2005-2008

Vice President Paul Bishop explained to Board the process that was used to develop the Information Technology Strategic Goals and Objectives. The work on this report began before he came on board with many other people working on putting together this plan. This plan now is currently in the consultation process. Vice President Bishop began to go through some of the highlights of the report and summarized those for the board. After much discussion it was requested that this item be brought back for more discussion at a future date.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. O’Neill, seconded by Dr. Dobbs, the Board approved adjourning this meeting. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2005, at 4:00 pm in A211.

John B. Romo, President