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

January 11, 2007

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

Vice President Livingston called the meeting to order.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Members present:

Dr. Kathryn Alexander
Dr. Joe Dobbs
Mrs. Sally Green
Mr. Morris Jurkowitz
Ms. Joan Livingston, Vice President
Mr. Desmond O'Neill
Mr. Luis Villegas, President (arrived a few minutes late)

Others present for all or a portion of the meeting:

Mr. John Romo, Supt/President and Secretary Clerk to the Board of Trustess
Auchincloss, Liz, President CSEA
Bishop, Paul, VP Information Technology
Borlaug, Eric, ASB President
Buckelew, Pablo, Interim Vice President Continuing Education
Ehrlich, Sue, Vice President, HRLA
Eschenbach, Al, Auditor
Friedlander, Jack, Executive Vice President Educational Programs
Garey, Tom, Senator, Academic Senate
Griffin, Leslie, Controller
Scharper, Alice, Dean
Sullivan, Joe, Vice President Business Services
Water, Stacy, Auditor

1.3 WELCOME

Vice President Livingston extended a cordial welcome to all.
1.4 HEARING OF CITIZENS

No citizen expressed a wish to address the Board.

1.5 GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Livingston brought in and distributed to board members a sample board evaluation form that was presented at a CCCT meeting from Mira Costa Community College and this will be reviewed as part of item 4 on the agenda.

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.)

1. SBCC General Fund Overview – Attachment 1

Vice President Sullivan reported to the Board that the documents included as attachments with this agenda had been reviewed and discussed at previous meetings. The documents provide historical and current perspectives of the general fund and they reflect the 06-07 fiscal year balances. Mr. Sullivan deferred to the Board to answer any questions they had.

After much discussion, Dr. Alexander requested that the Fiscal Committee discuss the equalization funding and how the funds will be disbursed. She felt that there wasn’t a clear understanding as to how these funds are allocated. Board President Villegas stopped the discussion and requested that board members continue the discussion by asking or commenting on the report presented by Vice President Sullivan.

President Romo’s reported that continued discussions on this item will take place with the Fiscal Committee and that the 07-08 budget building process has begun. A fiscal committee meeting has been scheduled and the evaluation through CPC will continue. President Romo noted that he received the Governor’s proposed budget and the governor is still showing support for community colleges. President Romo has’t had a chance to analysis the budget, but will give a report at the board meeting.

2. Audited Financial Statements – (Detailed report may be viewed in the Accounting Office, A-130.)

Leslie Griffin, Controller, explained that the audit being presented is the independent audit that is required every year. This is the second year the college has worked with Glen, Burdette, Phillips & Bryson. Mr. Allen Eschenbach explained to the Board how the financial audit was conducted and reviewed the report. The Board concurred that this audit should be submitted for approval at the January board meeting.

3. Long Range Capital Construction Priorities

President Romo provided a handout which gave a breakdown of the projects and where they are in the process and how they would be funded. President Romo felt it was important to incorporate statements in the document about general priorities and
issues that the district still has to face in the coming years. The statements have been reviewed through the consultation process and it has been concurred that these should be included in the document. President Romo reported that good work has taken place in carrying out the consultation process and identifying the major capital priorities of the district. Work will continue on this report.

President Romo requested that the Board allow staff to contract with a consultant would provide an analysis on these specific projects and to discuss the possibility of a bond campaign in the community. The first step would be to have the consultant meet with the Board. Vice President Sullivan provided a handout which gave the Board a timeline for the preparation and completion of a community survey. There are two issues that the district has to confront long term. The first one is that the district has needs that exceed state funding, the second one is that the state now admits that they would fund approximately only 60% of all capital projects, which means that they expect the district’s to come up with the remaining 40% and they are expecting the districts to do it through local bond campaigns. They are also expecting districts to fund a majority of all of their capital projects through local bond funds. The key question is “How will we fund future capital projects?” The survey would allow staff to determine whether the community would support a bond.

Executive Vice President Friedlander did note that the College Planning Council is in support of exploring a bond measure. Tom Gary reported that faculty and the Academic Senate appreciate the consultative process in the development of the long range capital construction plan and because of this there is positive support among the faculty for pursuing the bond issue, which may not have been the case the last time a bond was pursued by the District.

Board President Villegas asked when the proposed meeting would take place with the consultant. President Romo reported that it would take place in February. Mr. Villegas requested that a timeline be presented to the Board with dates covering a twelve month process for a possible bond campaign.

It was agreed that a meeting should be scheduled for discussion of a bond with the consultant as soon as possible. President Romo will begin work on scheduling this meeting.

4. Board Self Evaluation

Because of time constraints this item was deferred to the next study session.

3. CLOSED SESSION

1. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Jurkowitz, the Board approved convening to closed session. Mr. Villegas was excused from the closed session.

Agency designated representatives: Sue Ehrlich, Vice President, Human Resources and Legal Affairs, Jack Friedlander, Executive Vice President, Joe Sullivan Vice President, Business Services.

2. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

   Upon motion by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Alexander, the Board approved convening to open session. Vice President Livingston reported that the Board had consulted with the labor negotiators and that the Board had directed them to take appropriate action. Vice President Livingston had no action to report.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

   The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2007, at 4:00 pm in A211.

   [Signature]

   John B. Romo, President