1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 21, 2007, in the Administration Building, Room 626, Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, CA 94534-3197, by Pam Keith, Governing Board President.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

At the request of Board President Keith, Trustee Ubalde led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Pam Keith, President
Phil McCaffrey, Vice President
James M. Claffey
Denis Honeychurch, J.D.
Stephen Murphy, J.D.
A. C. “Tony” Ubalde, Jr., Rel.D.
A. Marie Young
Lillian Nelson, Student Trustee
Gerald F. Fisher, Interim Secretary

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Mazie Brewington, Vice President, Administrative & Business Services
Richard Christensen, Ed.D., Director, Human Resources
Jay Field, Vice President, Technology & Learning Resources
Pat Cordry, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent/President and Governing Board
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board President Keith stated that item 9. (e) Proposed Agreement with DGM Environmental, Inc. for a Campus-wide Bat Inspection and Exclusion Management Plan to Address Environmental Health Matters, Resolution No. 06/07-21 would be tabled.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Vice President McCaffrey for approval of the agenda as amended with the deletion of item 9. (e). The motion passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from members of the public.

6. REPORTS

(a) Associated Students of Solano College (ASSC)

Shawn Bee introduced Jack Hooper, Academic Curriculum Senator, who reported that ASSC is:

--hosting an open forum to unveil the landscape master plan by LPA Architects on March 5, 2:30-4:30 p.m., in Room 1404.

--meeting with administrators regarding relocation and/or removal of vending machines due to Measure G renovation projects.

--helping to promote a new student service entitled, “eCounseling,” as well as upcoming basic skills’ forums.

--proud to announce the successful Club Promo Day and barbeque held recently and noted that more events are planned for the Spring Semester.

The following ASSC Student Senators for spring 2007 introduced themselves to the Governing Board including their representation on the Senate and various District committees as well as their chosen field of study:

Christoph Cleveland - Business Senator; Robert Weitl – Business Services Senator; Joseph Hooper – Legislative Advocate; Latasha Wormsley; Paris Watson – Vocational Curriculum Senator; Sana Kharufeh – Senator; Osati Tarbell-DeOcampo - Diversity Affairs Senator; and Jack Hooper – Academic Curriculum Senator.

Shawn Bee, ASSC President, informed the Board that this is his last semester at Solano as he will be transferring to the University of Hawaii to finish his law degree and minor in Hawaiian Studies.
Board President Keith expressed appreciation to the student senators who attended the Board meeting and stated that she was very impressed that the students are so involved with their school. Trustee Young echoed Board President Keith’s sentiments.

(b) **Academic Senate**

Gail Kropp, Academic Senate President, reported that:

--the Academic Senate has not met since her last report to the Board. The next Senate meeting is scheduled for February 26. The Senators were invited to attend a portion of the Executive Board of Solano Community College Faculty Association meeting to discuss the following issues of jurisdictional overlap: peer review, class cancellation practices, faculty hiring practices and Flex Cal staff development.

(c) **Shared Governance Council**

Interim Vice President of Student Services Lisa Waits reported that she was impressed with how the College comes together to do work. The major accomplishment of the last meeting was approval of the accreditation progress report. She gave special recognition for the widespread involvement and efforts of faculty and staff on a comprehensive report. The SGC also completed review of Series 2000 and began their review of Series 1000.

(d) **Superintendent**

Interim Superintendent/President Gerry Fisher highlighted the following items from a written report distributed to Board members:

--Our online provider, eCollege, was recognized for their course management system and support services as best in category by the Global Learning Consortium Technology Satisfaction and Trends Report released February 12, 2007. The report is based on over two years of research uncovering best practices for success in Internet-supported learning. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher indicated that eCollege has served Solano Community College very well and he was pleased that they have been recognized.

--The Locks of Love Cut-A-Thon sponsored by the Cosmetology Department will take place on Saturday, February 24, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

--Interim Superintendent/President Fisher attended a meeting of the Vallejo Economic Development Committee on Wednesday, February 14, to co-present a slide show on the progress of the Vallejo Center with the Center Director, Dr. Jerry Kea. Former SCC Governing Board President Jerry Wilkerson presided over the meeting. The presentation was well-received as attendees were interested in the opening of the new Vallejo Center and viewed it as an asset to the Vallejo community.
--Interim Superintendent/President Fisher also attended the first Solano County Economic Summit held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Fairfield on Thursday, February 15. Over 170 participants from business, government and education were in attendance. Representatives from Solano College included Trustees Ubalde and Young, Associate Vice President Shatzer and Interim Superintendent/President Fisher. Moore, Iacofano and Goltsman (MIG) led the six-hour strategic planning session. An outcome of the session was a clear strand for education and workforce development. After the meeting, Interim Superintendent/President Fisher met with Solano County Superintendent of Schools Dee Alarcón and suggested that the District Superintendents’ meeting be expanded to include representatives from the four-year educational institutions, i.e., California Maritime Academy, Touro University, UC Davis, Sonoma and Sacramento State so that discussion can take place on the continuum of students from K-12 through the community college to the four-year degree. Summit participants felt that a county cannot have economic vitality without an educated workforce that is prepared to take advantage of the jobs that are available within the county whether the job is entry level or Ph.D. level for companies choosing to locate in Solano County. A second meeting will be held in May.

-- Ashley Casassa was named one of the Pepsi Scholar Athletes for 2006. Ashley was an all-conference soccer player on our successful women’s soccer team for two years. She maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA in chemistry from Solano and Napa colleges and has transferred to UC Berkeley to pursue her academic goals. She will be honored at the April 5 Commission on Athletics celebration of student athletes awards luncheon at the Ontario Doubletree Hotel. This award goes to the top scholar-athletes in the state who have shown academic and athletic accomplishments during their two years of intercollegiate participation.

-- Last weekend, February 10-12, 2007, the Solano Speech and Debate team competed in the Northern California Forensics Association’s Regional Championship Tournament attended by 26 community colleges and universities in and around the Bay Area. Solano’s team won the tournament for the ninth year in a row. One of our students, Paul Starbuck, took 1st place in the Senior Division Persuasive Speaking and earned the right to represent the State of California at the Interstate Oratory Competition in Santa Fe, New Mexico in late April.

-- A tour of the Vallejo Center will be conducted on Friday, March 9, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., to provide a construction update for all members of the Benicia City Council, Vallejo City Council and our Governing Board.

--The SCCD Governing Board Retreat will be held on Saturday, March 3, 2007, 9 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m., at the Hilton Garden Inn in Fairfield.

--Copies of a membership list containing all of the participants on the various committees over the duration of the Accreditation Progress Report were provided to Board members.

--On Friday, May 11, the Retirement and Recognition event will be held.

--The recruitment list indicates vacancies in 35 positions. Second interviews will take place in April and new names will be submitted for employment in the 2007-08 academic year.
Trustee Young suggested that an article appear in the paper about the Locks of Love Cut-A-Thon. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher indicated that he would try to contact Mr. Zelinski; however, Mr. Zelinski was not able to attend the Board meeting due to illness. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher stated that articles were in the newspaper regarding the “Stop the Violence” event.

- **Bond Update**

Scott Colt, Kitchell CEM, Program Manager, reported that all construction projects are on schedule and going well. He suggested a walk-through of the newly-renovated Building 700 at the next Board meeting.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS**

**Superintendent/President**

(a) Minutes for the Meeting of February 7, 2007

**Human Resources**

(b) Employment 2006-07; Gratuitous Service; Approval of Job Description; Employment 07-08 – Request for Unpaid Leave of Absence

**Administrative and Business Services**

(c) Warrant Listings

(d) Approval to Certify the Appointment of Representatives to the Joint Powers Agency (JPA) for Retiree Health Benefit Program, Resolution No. 06/07-20

(e) Construction Change Order Approval for Ralph Larsen & Son, Inc. – Bid No. 06-002

(f) Final Acceptance and Notice of Completion for Bell Products, Inc. – Bid No. 05-006

Board President Keith stated that Trustee Ubalde has requested that item 7. (e) Construction Change Order Approval for Ralph Larsen & Son, Inc.—Bid No. 06-002 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Young for approval of the Consent Agenda as amended with the removal of item 7. (e). The motion passed unanimously.
8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Construction Change Order Approval for Ralph Larsen & Son, Inc.—Bid No. 06-002

Trustee Ubalde questioned District payment for PCO items 17, 19, 29 and 32 containing errors and omissions totaling $48,147. He expressed his opinion that these items (mostly for electricity, electrical design and grading) were the responsibility of the architect and that the District should not pay for them.

Moved by Trustee Ubalde and seconded by Trustee Murphy that PCO items 17, 19, 29 and 32 be removed from the Change Order and that the engineer be allowed to pay for the errors and omissions.

Trustee Ubalde expressed concern about the long-term financial impact on Bond funds should the District continue to pay for errors and omissions throughout the remaining Bond projects.

Trustee Honeychurch asked about the ramifications if the Board chose to decline the payment for the cost overrides or the change order. Scott Colt, Kitchell Program Manager, explained that the architect would receive notification that the owner (District) wants to call into question his omissions insurance. Mr. Colt stated that in every case of the errors and omissions contained in this change order, all of the work needed to be done, was done in the course of building the project and was part of the original scope of work. Mr. Colt stated that the legal position of the architect’s attorney would be that the owner has to pay once for everything at a fair price. He further explained that the District is paying a non-competitive price after a competitive bid for the base contract so there is an incremental amount that is more than the District would have paid if the amount was in the original bid. In summary, Mr. Colt informed the Board that the matter would go through mediation, arbitration and then litigation with a high cost in legal fees. Mr. Colt further advised the Board that the way Kitchell manages architects in such situations is that Kitchell tracks errors and omissions change orders as they occur and at some point, Kitchell discusses with the architects whether or not they need accommodate the owner with regard to additional services that are needed, of which he stated that extra services are always needed. Mr. Colt assured the Board that if the errors and omissions were excessive or there was a real major error, then Kitchell would immediately go after the architect’s insurance. He stated that no documents are perfect.

Trustee Claffey expressed concern about PCO item 17 indicating that the specifications should have been correct for the conduit size and that the architect was responsible. Vice President McCaffrey expressed concern about PCO item 19 regarding incorrect grades and work that needs to be redone, i.e., re-surveying, re-staking and re-grading.

Mr. Colt explained that the grading was not done incorrectly as the grading error was discovered by the contractor as he laid the site out and brought it to the attention of the design team. The design team evaluated it, agreed, looked for solutions, found a solution and fixed the problem. He stated that additional grading work was required over the initial grading estimate by the general contractor when the job was bid.
Trustee Young asked whether the errors and omissions listed in this change order are typical for contractors. Mr. Colt explained that it is not unusual for architect’s drawings to have errors and omissions; the question is how much. He further stated that if the architect is advised that the District wants him to use his errors and omissions insurance, the change order is enough money that the architect will ask his attorney to represent him and the District would find itself in protracted, long discussions with the end result being the same as listed above.

Trustee Young asked about the total cost of errors and omissions that have accumulated on the project, including the change order listed on the February 21 Board agenda. Mr. Colt stated that for this project, including the February 21 Change Order, there is $315,000 of which $69,000 would be errors and omissions. He stated that they would look to the contractor to accommodate the District for $7,000-$9,000 of fees for additional services.

Student Trustee Nelson questioned whether the architect would be willing to pay the legal fees to go to court for $48,000. Mr. Colt expressed his opinion that the architect would take this as an indication that this is how everything would be handled.

Trustee Murphy expressed his opinion about PCO item 63 in the amount of $101,021 being listed as an unforeseen condition while others of similar oversight were listed as errors and omissions. Mr. Colt explained that there was a delay from PG & E advising where to connect.

Trustee Claffey reiterated concern about the error in PCO item 17 and the expectation that the District has for professional work when the District is paying professional fees. Mr. Colt indicated that it was a mistake on the architect’s part; however, the work still needed to be done and the District would still need to pay whether it had been included from the beginning in the initial bid documents. It is simply a question of when payment is made.

Trustee Honeychurch asked if it were Kitchell’s recommendation to pay for the change order conceding that some mistakes were made in the design and in the change order items because of the big picture, that the architect will do other things for the District and that this is all in the course of construction. Mr. Colt stated that it is not a good use of resources to engage in a long, protracted discussion on this and if it were a bigger issue, he would not hesitate to involve legal counsel. Mr. Colt recommended that the Board approve the change order given the relationship that Kitchell has with the architect to have add services with this architect and be able to negotiate an accommodation that will recognize the premium that the District paid. He cited a reasonable settlement in negotiations with Dreyfuss & Blackford on the first renovation contract which gave value back to the District.

Board President Keith expressed her opinion on the matter indicating she was looking to Mr. Colt for his recommendation, his greater experience in this field, what he sees as being the end result and the fact that one way or the other, the District will have to pay for the needed work.

Trustee Ubalde repeated his motion that the Board not approve PCO items 17, 19, 29 and 32 of the change order. He stated that the Board needs to make a statement that these errors are
careless and that the Board has a responsibility to the citizens to keep watch of the taxpayers’ money and that his motion would suggest this message clearly if it passes.

Board President Keith reiterated the motion to approve the change order with the exception of items 17, 19, 29 and 32. The motion failed with a majority four-to-three (4-3) vote.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Young to approve the entire change order. The motion passed with a majority four-to-three (4-3) vote.

9. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent/President

(a) Second Reading and Approval of Revisions to Administration Policies, Series 2000

Gerald F. Fisher, Interim Superintendent/President, presented revisions to Administration Policies, Series 2000 for a second reading and approval by the Governing Board. Series 2000 were approved by the Shared Governance Council on January 24, 2007 and were presented to the Governing Board for information at the February 7, 2007 meeting.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Ubalde for approval of the revisions to Administration Policies, Series 2000, as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

(b) Building 1700A Renovation Project Professional Services Agreement with TLCD Architecture

Mr. Scott Colt stated that we are still in the design phase of Building 1700. The project was divided into two parts--1700A and 1700B. When the basic renovation project was started in 2005-06, it was not clear what the scope of the renovation might be. The architect had to wait to see what he was going to have to design. A design contract was not set until the re-benching of the Bond program was done roughly six months ago. The project changed from a $5.9 million renovation of the gymnasium to a $12.9 million renovation and expansion of the facility.

Trustee Honeychurch expressed opposition to advancing the architect’s fee until the Board has received more information on the Building 1700 renovation. Trustee Honeychurch expressed concern that the project does not seem to be in sync with the information originally planned and given to the voters by the District earlier and stated that he did not feel comfortable with the project.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Murphy to table item 9 (b) until the next Board meeting on March 7 in order for more information to be submitted to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Interim Superintendent/President Fisher clarified that the presentation should be done by the architect on what the changes are from the last review that the Board saw as well as having the
Steering Committee discuss the nature of the changes and the current status of Building 1700. Trustee Claffey suggested that the Dean of Physical Education also be present to address the changes.

Trustee Ubalde stated that he had asked Interim Superintendent/President Fisher about transportation to the Vallejo Center. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher will report on this item under Announcements.

(c) **Amendment to Agreements with TLCD Architecture for Bond Projects; Buildings 1400, 1700B, 1800A, and Sports Complex Master Plan**

The amendments will revise the original contracts previously Board-approved. Building 1400 includes three Scope Change Notices (SCN) issued by TLCD for fee adjustments. These adjustments are necessary for the additional faculty/staff dining room, added meetings with staff during the schematic design phase, and a redesign of the Student Development and ASSC Offices. Scott Colt pointed out that the one item that is part of the additional services is 1700B.

All fee proposals are in alignment with the State Chancellor’s Office guidelines under Section 6553 of the *State Administrative Manual*, Architectural and Engineering Fee Structure.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Young for approval for additional architectural services by TLCD Architecture as outlined above. The motion passed with the majority vote. Vice President McCaffrey voted “no.”

(d) **AB 2910 Quarterly Report, Second Quarter, FY 2006-07**

Mazie Brewington, Vice President of Administrative & Business Services, presented the AB 2910 Quarterly Report, FY 2006-07 for the Governing Board’s review and acceptance. She highlighted sections of the report including projected revenue of $47 million, projected expenditures of $46.4 million, and an ending balance of $871,389. As of December 31, 2006, the District received 51 percent of its revenue and total expenses were at 45 percent. Based on receipt of revenue and expenses, there is a positive balance of $3.1 million, adjusted beginning fund balance of $4.4 million and an ending balance of $7.5 million.

*Trustee Murphy left at this time.*

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Honeychurch for acceptance of the AB 2910 Quarterly Report for the second quarter, FY 2006-07 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

(e) **Proposed Agreement with DGM Environmental, Inc. for a Campus-wide Bat Inspection and Exclusion Management Plan to Address Environmental Health Matters, Resolution No. 06/07-21**

This item was tabled.
Mazie Brewington, Vice President of Administrative & Business Services, presented Bid 002 for the Governing Board’s approval. The bid went out to 13 potential vendors; eight responses were received. Vice Brewington stated that this year, the recommendation is to award the bid to three different vendors. A comparison was done of all bid quotes and only one vendor bid on all three items—the catalog, class schedules and summer VISTAS. By recommending three different vendors to do the work, the District is saving approximately $31,000. It was recommended that Westminster Press, Inc. receive the bid award for the 2007-09 Schedule of Classes in the amount of $176,910; Wesco Graphics, Inc., be awarded the bid for the 2007-09 Community Services Bulletins (VISTAS) in the amount $99,678 and Delta Web Printing, Option 2 be awarded the bid for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 College Catalog in the amount of $38,020. This price includes insertion of the registration envelope and delivery.

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Claffey for acceptance of Bid 07-002 as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

Shirley Lewis, J.D., Director of Student Development, presented this item requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 06/07-22 proclaiming March 2007 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College.

Shirley Lewis, J.D., Director of Student Development, presented this item requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 06/07-22 proclaiming March 2007 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College. She distributed copies of a flyer including presentations taking place during the month of March: Women & Health, Violence & Religion, South Africa, Harlem Renaissance, 16th Annual Community Health Faire and Surviving the Holocaust.

Board President Keith expressed her hope that in her lifetime, we get to the point in society where we are inclusive and no longer need this type of separate recognition.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee McCaffrey for approval of Resolution No. 06/07-22 Proclaiming March 2007 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College. The motion passed unanimously with the roll call vote as follows:

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE—Lillian Nelson concurred.
AYES—Trustee Claffey, Trustee Honeychurch, Vice President McCaffrey, Trustee Ubalde, Trustee Young, Board President Keith
NOES—None
ABSENT—Trustee Murphy
10. INFORMATION ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED

(a) Annual Report and 2005-06 Audit Report of the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee

Tom Snyder, Chairperson of the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC), presented an annual report to the Board to fulfill their obligation to inform the public concerning the District’s expenditure of bond proceeds. CBOC membership throughout most of 2006 includes Anita Hawkes (community or civic organization), Joe Thomas (community or civic organization), Gaylord Whitlock (Foundation), Bruce DuClair (Taxpayers’ Association), Hilding Spradlin (business organization), Shawn Bee (Students) and Thomas Snyder (senior organization). In 2006, the SCCD Governing Board expanded the CBOC to include two representatives of the construction or trades industry and in August, Ben Espinoza and Tom Mattis joined the CBOC. Lillian Nelson served as Student Representative during several CBOC meetings.

Mr. Snyder reported that the Committee is satisfied that SCCD Board is in compliance with Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution with respect to (1) evaluating safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing Bond projects; (2) conducting an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that Bond sale proceeds have been expended only on specific projects listed and (3) caused to be conducted an annual independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds under the purview of the CBOC. Mr. Snyder reported on progress of Bond-related activities and projects reviewed during their quarterly meetings which included a tour of facilities that have come on line: Building 300 (Room 308, Lecture Hall). The District is currently advertising to fill four vacancies on the CBOC that will occur in May.

On behalf of the CBOC, Mr. Snyder expressed appreciation to Dr. Perfumo, Interim Vice President Hendrickson, Vice President Brewington, Frank Kitchen and especially Judy Anderson for their support.

At the request of Trustee Young, copies of Mr. Snyder’s written report will be provided to the SCCD Board members.

Tina Treis of Perry-Smith, LLP presented the annual 2005-06 audit report of the Measure G Bond that was presented to the CBOC at their February meeting. Ms. Treis stated that a sample of 50 expenditures during the year were examined to ensure that they meet the projects outlined in the Bond and there were no exceptions. Also attached to the written audit was an overall summary of the activity, original offering of the Bond, refunding and expenditures leaving a remainder of approximately $68 million to spend as of June 30, 2006.

(b) Presentation by DeNova Homes

Gerald F. Fisher, Interim Superintendent/President, introduced Mr. R. Reed Oñate, former SCC student and Manager, Planning & Entitlements, DeNova Homes, in partnership with Garaventa Enterprises who gave a presentation for the Governing Board’s information on a project that will begin on the College’s southern boundary. As part of the approvals process with the City of
Fairfield, the development group has agreed to construct project specific and regionally oriented infrastructure improvements. Briefly, the items that need cooperation with the College include:

- Temporary access & construction area encroachment associated with water line construction under Dan Wilson Creek;
- Temporary access & construction encroachment along the residential boundary at the City trail easement;
- Permanent trail access points from residential areas to the City trail easement; and
- Request for temporary water connection near the baseball field (with compensation to the College).

Regarding the last item above, Mr. Oñate expressed the desire for temporary support from the College for drip irrigation to some palm trees that were moved from an old farmhouse south of the College and the baseball fields.

Copies of two large scale overhead maps of the College and the proposed DeNova Homes development were provided to Board members.

Over 400 town homes and apartments will be developed in the DeNova Homes project adjacent to the College. The project includes a segment of the North Connector between Suisun Valley Creek and Suisun Valley Road. The North Connector is a regional thoroughfare that will connect traffic from Abernathy Road to Jamison Canyon Road. Mr. Oñate explained that a water line will come up under Dan Wilson Creek via a bore and jack operation and run through the residential portion of the site and a portion of the North Connector. As part of the design, the City has asked DeNova Homes to hook up connections from the development to the City pedestrian trail. He indicated that an attractive fence would be erected between the development and the College.

Trustee Honeychurch asked about approval by the City of Fairfield Planning Commission and City Council. Mr. Oñate assured Trustee Honeychurch that the project had been approved by both the Commission and the City Council over a two-year period involving environmental impact reports (EIR).

Trustee Claffey asked if the traffic study included the impact this development might have on Rockville Road and Suisun Valley Road. Mr. Oñate indicated that off-site mitigation will be required for this development and will include some upgrades for Green Valley Road and the off-ramp onto the highway and the road that comes into the old truck stop entrance, Mangels and Suisun Valley Road. In answer to Trustee Claffey’s question, Mr. Oñate indicated that there would be landscaping at the 15-foot buffer between the property lines of the development and SCC.

Mr. Oñate expressed the intent to be a “good neighbor” to the College. He reiterated that the project was part of a regional corridor that DeNova Homes has been tasked with in terms of their agreement with the City of Fairfield. It also involves much larger entities, i.e., Solano
Transportation Authority (STA). Mr. Oñate indicated that DeNova Homes will be overseeing construction of a much larger project.

Trustee Young clarified that the pipe will not remain on SCC property; however, access to Solano College property is needed by DeNova Homes in order to get the work done to install a water line via a bore and jack method under Dan Wilson Creek.

Interim Superintendent/President Fisher, Frank Kitchen and Mr. Oñate walked the actual area where the project will take place. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher expressed his view that the project will not encroach much of the corner to the SCC property.

Trustee Honeychurch questioned any benefit to the College in allowing the City of Fairfield to increase its growth, affordable housing, more traffic on the roads to get to the College, the development butting up against College property and no notice to the Board. Trustee Honeychurch stated before the Board approves the item, he would like the Board to have more notice so that more study can be done.

Mr. Oñate stated that he would confirm with the City that information was sent to SCC about the development. He stated that he was aware that there were previous discussions with Garaventa Properties and the College. The draft EIR was published in April 2005.

Interim Superintendent/President Fisher stated that he would contact Mr. Rick Wood for the long-term plans the City may have for the 30-inch pipe. Concerning previous approvals for the project, the contact person would be Erin Beavers at the City of Fairfield Planning Department.

Trustee Ubalde asked for more information on which department at the College received the information and who served as the contact person at the College.

(c) Acceptance of Accreditation Progress Report

Gail Kropp, Academic Senate President, presented the accreditation progress report for information to the Governing Board in the absence of Dr. Marjorie Carson, Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs and Accreditation Liaison Officer, who was unable to attend the Board meeting due to a family emergency. Academic Senate President Kropp reported that the Shared Governance Council “unanimously and enthusiastically” voted to accept the progress report at its February 14 meeting. She stated that the report is the culmination of much hard work and great collaboration between the constituent groups. Academic Senate President Kropp expressed regret that Dr. Carson could not present the report to the Board as Dr. Carson deserves full credit and recognition for a job well done. Ms. Kropp stated that the report was a group effort. She also recognized the work of Dr. Emily Blair, English Department faculty member, who worked many long hours with Dr. Carson on the final draft. The draft provided to the Board is not substantially different than the previous edition as it contains a few corrections to errors of facts, particularly to the implementation of SLOs to reflect progress made in the last two months.
On behalf of the Governing Board, Board President Keith thanked Ms. Kropp and also asked Ms. Kropp to thank Dr. Carson for her work as well.

(d) Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2006

Mazie Brewington, Vice President of Administrative & Business Services, submitted the General Fund Revenue and Expenditure Report for the period ending December 31, 2006, for the Governing Board’s information. She reported that overall, resources for the District’s General Fund are approximately $59 million; 48 percent of revenue has been received as of December 31 and 43 percent has been expended of the total General Fund of the projected September budget. We are on target with the projected ending balance which could result in $1.9 million.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Ubalde asked about information he requested on transportation for students to the new Vallejo Center. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher stated that he had contacted Mrs. Willy at the Vallejo Transportation Agency who advised that the Vallejo Bus Service is currently under a complete review for efficiency and operation as they are assessing every route they have for the buses. The bus stop is 150 feet to the east of the intersection on Columbus Parkway toward Blue Rock Springs Park and is part of the retail bus route that goes through the Costco retail area. Currently, there are two buses and the Vallejo Bus Service is contemplating a third bus when classes begin at the Vallejo Center. It is projected that Solano College will take occupancy sometime in September and some late start classes are projected to begin in October. Trustee Claffey asked if there were any plans to build a shelter for inclement weather and provide shade at the bus stop. Interim Superintendent/President Fisher will look into the matter further and update the Board.

Trustee Ubalde announced that he attended the Economic Summit and expressed appreciation for the information that was provided. He also attended the “Stop the Violence” summit held yesterday and gave special commendation to Dr. Karen McCord and Dr. Ella Tolliver for their presentations. Trustee Ubalde stated that he attended the ROP Counselors’ Breakfast at which time Dean Johnson and other staff were in attendance. Trustee Ubalde stated that he was concerned that in order to take courses at Travis Air Force Base, students have to be U.S. citizens due to new requirements since September 11, 2001.

Trustee Young announced the following community events that she has attended since the last meeting: Vallejo Community Access Television (VCAT) on February 9; February 10 - opening reception at Jesse Bethel High School and health clinic in partnership with Kaiser, 19th African American Spiritual Award ceremony at the Vallejo Naval Historical Museum, the African American Women Forum Enrichment at the Country Club hosted by Congressman Miller; February 15 – Solano Economic Summit at the Hilton Garden Inn; February 17 – 41st Annual
Solano County Democratic Central Committee Crab Feed; February 20 – “Stop the Violence” forum; “Mentoring and Empowering Youth” Workshop by Mychal Wynn (books should be in the Bookstore); Solano Coalition for Better Health 2007 Champions for American Health at the Hilton Garden Inn; and February 21 – the Solano County Black Chamber of Commerce Profiles in Excellence Luncheon at the Courtyard Marriott. Trustee Young’s position on the College Board was announced at many of the above functions.

Board President Keith recessed the regular meeting at 8:58 p.m.

13. CLOSED SESSION

(a) Public Employee Performance Evaluation
   All Contract Faculty

(b) Conference with Labor Negotiator
   Agency Negotiator: Richard Christensen, Ed.D.
   Employee Organization: CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39

(c) Public Employee Performance Evaluation
   Dean of Admissions & Records
   Dean of Counseling/Guidance & DSP

(d) Conference with Gerald F. Fisher
   Interim Superintendent/President Employment

(e) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Board President Keith called the Closed Session to order at 9:08 p.m. and adjourned the Closed Session at 9:26 p.m.

14. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board President Keith reconvened the regular meeting at 9:27 p.m.

15. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President Keith reported that the Board discussed Public Employee Performance Evaluation all Contract Faculty; Conference with Labor Negotiator on CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39; Public Employee Performance Evaluation—Dean of Admissions & Records and the Dean of Counseling/Guidance & DSP; held conference with Gerald F. Fisher on the Interim Superintendent/President Employment and no action was taken in Closed Session. There was no discussion on Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release.
16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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APPROVED

PAM KEITH
PRESIDENT

GERALD F. FISHER
INTERIM SECRETARY