

SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD

UNADOPTED MINUTES
October 5, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Board Study Session of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2011, in the Administration Building, Room 626, Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, California 94534-3197, by Board Vice President A. Marie Young.

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

At the request of Vice President Young, Ms. Susan Foft, Director of Fiscal Services, led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

A. Marie Young, Vice President
Sarah E. Chapman
Pam Keith
Rosemary Thurston
Lexi Parmer, Student Trustee
Jowel C. Laguerre, Ph.D., Secretary

Members Absent:

Denis Honeychurch, J.D., President
James M. Claffey
Phil McCaffrey

Others Present:

Peter F. Bostic, Executive Director, Institutional Advancement
Sandra Dillon, Interim Director, Human Resources
J. Arturo Reyes, Executive Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs
Janet Leary, Interim Executive Assistant, Finance and Administration

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was amended to switch items (a) and (b) under REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED). Amended order: (a) Middle College High School Program; (b) Redistricting Update.

Moved by Trustee Thurston and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from members of the public.

6. REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

(a) Middle College High School Program

*Facilitated by McKinley Williams, President of Contra Costa College; and
Hattie Smith, Principal of Contra Costa Middle College High School*

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, introduced McKinley Williams, who spoke to the development, mission, and success of Contra Costa College's Middle College program, an alternative high school. The Middle College High School was established in 1989 in collaboration between the West Contra Costa Unified School District and Contra Costa College to provide a nurturing and academically challenging environment for at-risk youth to ensure high school completion, college graduation, and success beyond. The school, President McKinley explained, gives students with high potential and low academic performance a special opportunity to achieve, and if the middle college students have the desire to soar, they are given the wings at Contra Costa Middle College High School. The school's staff works to maintain a challenging, caring, and supportive environment, and the program's excellence is as a result of the outstanding caliber of the enrolled students from throughout the West Contra Costa Unified School District. Success rates are high, and many students go on to graduate from top colleges.

Ms. Hattie Smith acknowledged some of the Middle College High School's numerous awards, which include recognition as one of the best schools in America as a California distinguished school and as a No-Child-Left-Behind blue ribbon school. She added that the selected students are not necessarily the cream of the crop but are students who want to be at the school. They follow a rigid educational plan and must be highly motivated, as they concurrently complete high school and college course work. Parents have to sign a contract and attend meetings. The students are provided college support and a liaison to keep them on task.

Middle college students earn high school diplomas and AA degrees, and enrollment is 300. They are interwoven into the fabric of the Contra Costa College campus; once a middle college student (a high school student) served as the College's student body president.

Ms. Smith concluded by saying Solano Community College District would not make a mistake if it chose to offer the same program

Trustee Chapman asked what the drop-out rate is. It is less than 10%. As soon as students begin to fail, they are offered mentors and additional support.

Trustee Thurston inquired about another tour of Middle College High School campus and expressed an interest to go. She asked too if the middle college had a separate building on campus. Ms. Smith explained that the offices were moved to the center of campus near administration, and classes, including the high school ones, are offered all over campus. The middle college students are fully integrated.

(b) Redistricting Update

Facilitated by Ms. Kimi Shigetani, Vice President, Community College League of California, and Mr. Chris Chaffee, Consultant with Redistricting Partners

Ms. Shigetani and Mr. Chaffee discussed the application of redistricting and the traditional redistricting principles, and reviewed the communities of interest which bring like people together for representation. Ms. Shigetani reviewed Solano CCD's redistricting issues that were identified at the first meeting and provided existing area ethnic data.

Governing Board members studied Options A, B, and C and discussed what their preferences were for the District. There was a strong sense that Winters, Dixon, and Elmira should be kept together, and a consensus that, as much as possible, the splits of Vallejo, Vacaville, and Fairfield should be minimized.

Ms. Shigetani and Mr. Chaffee will return to the October 19 Governing Board meeting with two map options narrowed down from the feedback they received at this meeting.

7. CONSENT AGENDA—ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent-President

- (a) Minutes from the Regular Meeting held September 21, 2011, will be approved at a future meeting.

Human Resources

- (b) Employment - 2011-2012, Gratuitous Service

Academic and Student Affairs

- (c) Renewal of Agreement for Small Business Support Services with City of Benicia
(d) Amended Renewal of Children's Programs Contract – CCTR-1341

(e) Agreement Between Solano Community College District and Rancho Santiago Community College District Faculty Entrepreneurship Project Mini-Grant

Vice President Young advised that Dr. Jowel Laguerre made the following specific correction to the Consent Agenda as follows: Item 7.(b), Gratuitous Service, page 4, line 4, ~~TV/Cinematography~~ should read as **Art Studio**.

Moved by Trustee Thurston and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the Consent Agenda as corrected. The motion carried unanimously.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

9. RETIREMENTS OF STAFF WITH 10 OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Thurston to approve the resignations to retire of George Daugavietis, effective May 23, 2012; Shirley Gunn, effective December 20, 2011; and Beverly Pfeiffer, effective November 11, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

10. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS—ACTION ITEMS

Human Resources

(a) District and CSEA, Chapter #211 Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2011-14

Ms. Sandra Dillon, Interim Director of Human Resources, reported that a tentative agreement has been reached with Solano Community College CSEA, Chapter #211 and the District for a three-year contract covering 2011-14. The CSEA ratified the agreement on September 22, 2011. The CSEA agreed to take eight furlough days for full-time employees and six furlough days for ten-month employees over the 2011-12 fiscal year, beginning November 2011.

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Thurston to approve the District and CSEA, Chapter #211 Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2011-14 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Administration

(b) Approval to Enter into Agreement with Larry J. Frierson, Esq.

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, reported on the agreement to engage the legal services of Larry J. Frierson, Esq., for specialized services at a rate of \$180 per hour.

Moved by Trustee Chapman and seconded by Trustee Thurston to approve the agreement with Larry J. Frierson, Esq., for specialized services at a rate of \$180 per hour. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Young recessed the Board Study Session at 7:59 p.m.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Young called the Closed Session to order at 8:05 p.m.

- (a) Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency Negotiator: Sandra Dillon
Employee Organization: CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39
- (b) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
(No additional information required.)

12. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Vice President Young reconvened the Board Study Session at 8:25 p.m.

13. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Young reported that the Board held Conference with CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39, in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

Vice President Young reported that the Board discussed Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release in Closed Session, and the following action was taken: The Board approved an agreement for reduction in hours for a classified employee, Instructional Assistant, Adaptive P.E. Moved by Trustee Thurston and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the agreement for reduction in hours. The motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

AYES: Trustee Thurston, Vice President Young, Trustee Keith, and Trustee Chapman
NOES: None
ABSENT: Trustee Claffey, Trustee McCaffrey, and Board President Honeychurch

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

JCL:jl/js

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DENIS HONEYCHURCH, J.D.
BOARD PRESIDENT

APPROVED

JOWEL C. LAGUERRE, Ph.D.
SECRETARY

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