



COLLEGE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

3:00 – 4:00 PM via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy began the meeting at 3:05PM without quorum. The meeting was held on Zoom. Informational items 7(a), 7(b), 8(a) and (b) were covered until a quorum was reached. Quorum was reached at 3:21 and meeting was called to order.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

“We should take a moment to acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Band of Wintun Indians, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation.

The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.”

3. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present: Joshua Scott, Erin Farmer, Jeff Lehfeldt, Rei Leal, Shanan Danley, Rhuenette Alums

Absent: Irene Camins, Dani Gonzalez, Sal Abbate, Sandy Lamba

Advisory Members Present: S-P Celia Esposito-Noy VP Lisa Neeley, VP Susan Wheet, VP David Williams

Others Present: VP Lucky Lofton, Nathan Rexford, Kimo Calilan, Patrick Scott

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA. Agenda was approved as presented.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. The minutes of April 26, 2023 were approved.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

7. SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT REPORT - Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy

- a. Our application for SB169 funds is due in July and we have put together a competitive proposal reaching 60 of 100 points. There was a certain dollar amount that our college had to commit and our proposal includes a recommendation to use bond funds in order to meet this criterion. VP Lucky Lofton shared renderings of the student housing which were included in our application. The renderings are of a 3-story building with 118 beds located close to athletic facilities.

- b. Quad Area. Noll & Tam Architects will merge interests from our survey and propose a design for the quad. More to come on this project.

8. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT – Vice President Susan Wheet

- a. 3rd Quarter Budget update as of March 31. Unrestricted budget highlights include moving revenue and expenses for COVID state block grant to restricted instead of non-restricted (as previously notified by the state). We received unrestricted lottery funds and saw an increase in utility costs. Our budget also includes almost 3 month's expenses in reserve. For restricted funds we operate on a net 0 budget (revenue equals expenses) since these federal and state funds are geared towards certain things.
- b. SaaS/Experience Update provided by Kimo Calilan. SaaS provides more security, stores data in a cloud and updates will be done automatically. eLucian recommended we take a "migration" path for our system upgrade, which means that all of our data will be coming over to the new system at the same time (rather than staggered). With this in mind, we have to clean up our data prior to the migration. We plan to launch all functional areas during Spring break, 2024. IT is reconfiguring the project plan and realigning resources.

The college will be upgrading to Self Service Banner 9 and using Experience instead of MySolano. IT plans to have both in our test environment in the next few months and go live for all functional areas (except students) in July/August. There will be several training sessions during August FlexCal.

There will be wide promotion, training videos, social media and text messages in order to notify and prepare students for implementation of Experience. Go-live for students is November (when registration is not taking place).

9. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS REPORT – Vice President David Williams

- a. Culturally Responsive Pedagogy and Practices; Innovative Best Practices Grant. Through a competitive process, the college was awarded a grant of \$300,000 (one-time funds) to support the work that is currently being done through the Curriculum Committee, Teaching for Equity Program, and Center for Educational Excellence. This work focuses on increasing Black and Hispanic student success and retention by helping faculty create supportive and welcoming learning environments, developing culturally responsive curriculum for English and math courses to improve English and math success, and supporting the development of the Center for Educational Excellence, which was a faculty-driven project for a professional Development on campus. We will be pulling together work groups to talk about how we actually start to implement the grant and continue to support the good work that is being done.
- b. LaunchBoard Demonstration. VP Williams and Nathan Rexford, Dean of Research and Planning, demonstrated the LaunchBoard which is a free data resource on the Chancellor's Office website found at [Cal-PASS LaunchBoard](#). By navigating to [cal-PASS Student Success Metrics Dashboard](#) the user is able to query statewide, regional and college specific data based on student demographics, financial aid type, and other characteristics. All the metrics for the vision of success are included. We can see where we stand in comparison to

other colleges as well as system wide. This data can help us identify disproportionately impacted groups and assist with implementation and evaluation of guided pathways. Please share this easily accessible tool with your constituency groups.

10. STUDENT SERVICES REPORT– Vice President Lisa Neeley

- a. Student Equity and Achievement Plan Update. We are in the early stages of the first year of planning for the SEA Plan. There will be a few activities as part of a Summer orientation program focused on black and African American students. This is one of the planks of the SEA Plan. On August 5th we will host a black student and family barbeque to which all are welcome to come and support. August 7-8 will be a summer bridge style program where key information will be provided. We want to lay the basis for a successful first semester and persistence into a second term by welcoming students, doing community building activities and providing support and information. Our overall Falcon Welcome Day, planned for August 9th will include informational workshops, community building and lunch.
- b. Cultural Programming. We may use some of our equity funds to support a position that would allow us to be more intentional and create momentum for the cultural programming we have been putting in place on campus. The position would bring a sense of focus, help to calendarize an annual talent of events, build engagement and audience by cross promoting, and supporting the various different activities on campus. More to come.
- c. Brand perception surveys and focus groups. We have been working with a company that focusses on marketing, recruiting and retention at 2-yr colleges to design an 18-month marketing strategy. The company has already begun surveying students, staff and faculty on brand perception. There will also be focus groups for these groups as well as community partners.
- d. Graduation. Thank you to everyone who has come forward to help in some capacity. There are still opportunities to participate. We have a great team working diligently to make this a great experience for our graduates and their families as well as faculty and staff.
- e. Guided Pathways. We are looking for progress towards the implementation around Guided Pathways its alignment with the SEA Plan. Our Guided Pathways plan is due in June.

11. OTHER

- a. BP/AP 5440 - Patrick Scott, Dean of Financial Aid. A requirement for Title IV is to have a policy on consumer disclosure reports and misrepresentation. Patrick presented draft board policy and administrative procedure 5440 which included the League's language for this particular category of financial aid. Although it was the first reading of the draft, this was the last CGC meeting of the academic year, the CGC voted to adopt the proposed changes in order to be in compliance.

12. ADJOURNMENT. Meeting adjourned 4:02PM