

**SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD**

**ADOPTED MINUTES**  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, in the Denis Honeychurch Board Room, Room 626, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, California 94534, by Board President Honeychurch.

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

Board President Honeychurch led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the United States of America.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Denis Honeychurch, President  
Rosemary Thurston, Vice President  
Amber Cargo-Reed  
Karimah Karah, J.D.  
Amanda Lopez-Lara  
Quinten R. Voyce  
A. Marie Young  
Celia Esposito-Noy, Ed.D., Secretary  
Sumiya Ragab, Student Trustee

Others Present:

Salvatore Abbate, Human Resources  
Lucky Lofton, Vice President of Bond  
Sriya P. Srinivasan, ASSC  
Susan Wheet, Vice President of Finance & Administration  
David Williams, Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Sandra Therrien, Executive Coordinator

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Thurston to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

**5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (CLOSED SESSION)**

There were no comments on Closed Session items.

**6. CLOSED SESSION**

President Honeychurch called the closed session to order at 6:34 p.m.

- (a) Conference with Labor Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54957.6)  
Agency Negotiator: Salvatore Abbate, Human Resources  
Employee Organization: CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39
- (b) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt. Code § 54957)
- (c) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, Initiation of Litigation, and Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d) of Govt. Code § 54956.9

**7. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

President Honeychurch reconvened the Regular Meeting at 7:13 p.m.

**8. REPORT OF ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION**

The Board has voted to reject an amended claim by a former employee.

**9. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (CONTINUED)**

There were no comments from members of the public.

**10. REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)**

- (a) Associated Students of Solano College (ASSC)

ASSC Board Senator, Sriya Srinivasan, gave the following report:

This coming week ASSC is holding a Boba and Cram on Thursday in the ASTC from 12:30 to 4:00 PM. ASSC will cater Boba for students, encouraging them to study for SCC Finals. Following that, on Friday we will be holding Picnic Day also from 12:30 to 4:00 where ASSC is collaborating with ICC and other SCC clubs to cater food, entertainment, games, and drawings for the students and anyone else who would like to come, including members of the board! Huge thank you to our Legislative Advocate, Karissa Brown for putting so much effort into the planning of Picnic Day.

Moreover, we've finally concluded our Executive Board elections for the 2023-2024 Fall and Spring semester. With majority votes, your new President and Vice President are Christian Burmutesz and Dianna Solis, your Legislative Advocate is Karissa Brown, and your Student Trustee is your current Student Governing Board Senator, Sriya Srinivasan.

I'd like to bring attention to our current Executive Board members and those who are graduating from ASSC. These students have done an excellent job leading ASSC with the many events we man and maneuvering around numerous unexpected twists. Though we'll miss them dearly, we are excited to see what their futures hold next. We hope to see you all at SCC's graduation!

(b) Academic Senate

There is no report from Academic Senate.

(c) College Governance Council

Superintendent-President Esposito-Noy gave the following report:

CGC held its last meeting of the academic year on May 10th and provided updates on the following:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter budget
- SaaS implementation
- Culturally Responsive Pedagogy Grant
- Student Equity and Achievement
- Cultural programming
- Brand perception
- Graduation

We also reviewed recommended updates for BP and AP 5440 for Financial Aid programs to bring them in line with federal and state requirements.

(d) Superintendent-President

Dr. Esposito-Noy gave the following report:

We have been busy with end of semester celebrations including Puente, EOPS, and Art and Music. Earlier today we celebrated the following student athletes transferring to four-year colleges:

- From women's Volleyball: Dani Rydjord committed to Simpson University
- From Softball
  - Bianca Belo Diaz committed to Shawnee State
  - Kristy Regelado committed to Georgian Court University

- Friday we will host the classified appreciation lunch, the Latino student recognition ceremony, and the VEBA Scholarship event and on Saturday, we will host the Black Student recognition ceremony in the afternoon and the Athletics Hall of Fame event in the evening.
- Next week is the Nurse Pinning ceremony, Fire Academy graduation, and our Commencement celebration.

## **11. CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS**

### Superintendent-President

- (a) Draft Minutes for the Board Meeting Held on May 3, 2023 (Pending Board Approval)

### Human Resources

- (b) Employment 2022-2023 and 2023-2024, Page 6

### Finance and Administration

- (c) Warrants, Page 8
- (d) Personal Services Agreements and Contracts Under \$50,000, Page 10
- (e) Termination of Sactown Contractors, Corp.'s Right to Perform Its Contract, Page 12

It was moved by Trustee Thurston and seconded by Trustee Cargo-Reed to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

## **12. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

## **13. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – ACTION ITEMS**

### Human Resources

- (a) Resignation to Retire, Page 13

Dr. David Williams, VP Academic Affairs provided the following comments regarding the retirement of Lue Cobene, English Instructor:

*Lue Cobene is gifted and practiced in the fine (and rare) art of paying attention. He is the artful slow-food chef of English teaching. This is evident in everything he does, from his carefully crafted course syllabus, always a work of art with beautiful images and elegant prose, to the dazzling wordcraft of his emails, with their delightfully witty sign-offs.*

*Dear Lue,*

*May you enjoy your well-deserved retirement. We will miss you.*

*Yours in the whirlwind winding-downness of the semester struggle-straggle and onward to the triumphant finale of your last—and indubitably brilliant—Canvas post,*

*Your English Department Colleagues*

Dr. David Williams read the following comments from the School of Mathematics & Science regarding the retirement of Pamela Muick, Adjunct Biology Instructor:

*Dear Solano Community College Board,*

*I am writing to express my utmost admiration and appreciation for the 16 years of service Pam Muick has given to our College upon her retirement. As an Environmental Science Instructor at Solano Community College for the past 16 years, Pam has undoubtedly left an indelible mark on the institution and countless students who have had the privilege of being her mentees.*

*One of Pam's greatest strengths lies in her ability to provide unwavering guidance and support to her students. By actively meeting with each individual, she ensures that every student feels valued, supported, and empowered to succeed. Pam's patience and clarity during her presentations have undoubtedly contributed to the academic growth and confidence of her students, enabling them to grasp how science and the environment come together.*

*Furthermore, Pam's dedication to incorporating a diverse set of activities for both lab work and local area field trips is truly commendable. By offering students the opportunity to engage in hands-on experiences, she enables them to comprehend complex scientific concepts through practical applications. Her emphasis on students creating an Environmental Project, where students learn the science behind environmental issues, witness their effects, and subsequently present their findings, fosters equity and inclusion in the classroom and helps student generate a deeper understanding and connection to real-world challenges.*

*In conclusion, Pam Muick's retirement from Solano Community College is a celebratory occasion. Her exceptional teaching abilities, dedication to student success, and innovative instructional practices have left an indelible impact at Solano Community College. The entire academic community extends our heartfelt gratitude to Pam Muick for her invaluable*

*contributions. We wish her a well-deserved retirement filled with joy, fulfillment, and new adventures. May she continue to inspire and positively impact the lives of those she encounters.*

*Sincerely,*

*Joseph Ryan and the Mathematics and Science Division*

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Voyce to approve the Resignation to Retire as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Finance and Administration

(b) Approval of Revisions to Board Policies 3840, 3850, 3860, and 3865, Page 14

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Thurston to approve the Approval of Revisions to Board Policies 3840, 3850, 3860, and 3865 as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

(c) Contract Agreement with Laerdal Medical Corporation for Medical Simulation Equipment, Page 19

It was moved by Trustee Lopez-Lara and seconded by Trustee Young to approve the Contract Agreement with Laerdal Medical Corporation for Medical Simulation as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Bond

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Voyce to approve Items 13.(d) through 13.(f) in one motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

(d) Contract Award to Lionakis for Architectural Services for the Main Entrance Improvement Project, Page 29

(e) Contract Amendment #1 to Brooktrout Designs for Architectural Engineering Services for the Gym Audio-Video Enhancement Project, Page 31

(f) Contract Award to Kitchell Capital Expenditure Management for Facilities Asset Management Services Project, Page 33

Student Services

- (g) Resolution No. 22/23-35 Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month, Page 35

It was moved by Trustee Voyce and seconded by Trustee Lopez-Lara to approve Resolution No. 22/23-35 Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

**14. INFORMATION ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED**

- (a) FY 2022-2023 Budget Update, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, Page 38
- (b) Measure Q Quarterly Progress Update Report to the Governing Board, Page 59
- (c) Board Presentation – Quad Water Conservation Project, Page 62

**15. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustee Voyce welcomed Jon Cornelison as our new VP of Technology.

ECHS seniors just finished their senior projects. There are 86 seniors this year, 25 of them are receiving Associates degree with their high school degree.

Pride flag resolution to come to the Board in June

**16. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

**17. CLOSED SESSION (CONTINUED IF NECESSARY)**

**18. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING (IF NECESSARY)**

**19. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)**

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Cargo-Reed to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.