

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
San Mateo County Community College District
February 17, 2016, San Mateo, CA**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Board Members Present: President Dave Mandelkern, Vice President Thomas Mohr, Trustees Maurice Goodman, Richard Holober and Karen Schwarz, Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa

Others Present: Chancellor Ron Galatolo, Executive Vice Chancellor Kathy Blackwood, Skyline College President Regina Stanback Stroud, College of San Mateo President Michael Claire, Cañada College Vice President of Instruction Gregory Anderson, District Academic Senate President Diana Bennett

DISCUSSION OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

None

MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Vice President Mohr to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 13, 2016. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

It was moved by Vice President Mohr and seconded by Trustee Holober to approve the minutes of the Joint Study Session of January 27, 2016. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

STATEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVES AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Chancellor Galatolo announced that this will be the last Board of Trustees meeting that Barbara Christensen, Director of Community/Government Relations, will attend before retiring. He said Ms. Christensen has been the foundation of the District Office. He acknowledged her tremendous accomplishments and said she will be sorely missed.

Sennai Kaffl, President of the Associated Students of College of San Mateo (ASCSM), said ASCSM's executive officers and senators are a very diverse group which facilitates outreach to all students. Mr. Kaffl highlighted events that have taken place, including Welcome Day Fall 2015, the Board of Trustees Candidate Forum, World Village which focused on an array of different cultures, Spring 2016 Reboot Week which featured casino rentals and a photo booth, and an African-American Heritage Month event which was held today. Upcoming events included a Club Fair, Washington, D.C. advocacy trip, WTFilm Student Film Festival, Spring Fling, Student Trustee nominee elections, and the ASCSM general election for 2016-17. President Mandelkern thanked Mr. Kaffl for his excellent report.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PERSONS OR DELEGATIONS: RECOGNITION BY THE BOARD OF DISTRICT AND COLLEGE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR AND SELECTION OF NOMINATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE STATE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE (16-2-1B)

President Mandelkern said this award honors community college classified employees who demonstrate the highest level of commitment to professionalism and community colleges. Each of the Colleges and the District Office were invited to nominate one classified employee, and each will be honored by the Board tonight. Each district may forward the information for one nominee to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office for consideration of a statewide award; that nominee is selected by the Board.

President Stanback Stroud introduced the nominee from Skyline College, Jocelyn Vila, Program Services Coordinator for the Financial Aid office and foster youth liaison. She said Ms. Vila believes that behind every student is a story and a future. She said Ms. Vila has helped establish partnerships with K-12 schools, community-based organizations and government agencies. She shows leadership and vision in the area of financial aid and has contributed to the Student Success and Support Program and the Student Equity Plan. In short, Ms. Vila is an advocate for students and has made it her professional life's work to make sure that people have access to college. President Mandelkern presented a certificate to Ms. Vila and congratulated her on behalf of the Board. Ms. Vila introduced a friend in the audience, Director of Financial Aid Regina Morrison, and colleagues Patricia Mendoza and Jenny Yang. Ms. Vila said it is a privilege and honor to work at Skyline College and to be a member of the District family. She said it is rewarding to live and work in the community, allowing her to see students every day.

Jan Roecks, Vice President of Administrative Services, introduced the nominee from College of San Mateo, Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant. She said Mr. Hamadeh began as a College of San Mateo student and was active in student government. She said he brings the same passion he had as a student to his current position. She said staff and students often comment on how they appreciate Mr. Hamadeh's guidance and support for students. He is involved in many aspects of campus life and is also a member of the statewide Student Affairs Association. He is a certified Safe Zone trainer and is working to develop a LGBTQ Safe Zone program at College of San Mateo. President Mandelkern presented a certificate to Mr. Hamadeh and congratulated him on behalf of the Board. Mr. Hamadeh said it is an honor to be nominated and to represent staff who work to support students. He said he loves what he does and it is a pleasure to come to work every day. He said he gained so much from the College and the District and he feels that, in a small way, he is giving back.

Vice President Anderson introduced the nominee from Cañada College, Maria Huning, Upward Bound Program Services Coordinator. He said Ms. Huning maintains a sharp focus on students and understands how to communicate with students at the right place, in the right way and at the right time. She also understands the quantitative and qualitative approach to work; she is very knowledgeable about the Upward Bound Program and its focus on students and also exhibits the human touch. President Mandelkern presented a certificate to Ms. Huning and congratulated her on behalf of the Board. Ms. Huning introduced her husband, Upward Bound Program Director Rosaline Mira, Cañada College Classified Senate President Debbie Joy and other colleagues and friends. She said it is an honor to be a member of the illustrious group of nominees as well as all who serve students at the District and Colleges.

Vice Chancellor José Nuñez introduced the nominee from the District, Karen Pinkham, Project Manager II in the Facilities Planning Department. He said Ms. Pinkham started as a student assistant in 2000. She graduated from College of San Mateo and went on to San Francisco State University. She worked at the San Mateo County Community Colleges Foundation and joined the Facilities Department in 2007 as a Project Coordinator. Vice Chancellor Nuñez said Ms. Pinkham is the "go to" person as Project Manager II. She is the epitome of the Students First attitude. She excels at teamwork, communication, professionalism and customer service. President Mandelkern presented a certificate to Ms. Pinkham and congratulated her on behalf of the Board. Ms. Pinkham introduced her husband and children. She thanked the Board and said it is an honor to be nominated.

President Mandelkern said the Board had a very difficult choice to make and he thanked all of the honorees for their work on behalf of students. He said that, based on a survey among all Board members, the candidate whose name will be submitted for a statewide award is Jocelyn Vila.

Each Board member congratulated the four representatives and thanked all classified staff for the outstanding work they do.

BOARD SERIES PRESENTATION – INNOVATIONS IN TEACHING, LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES – PROJECT CHANGE AT COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO (16-2-1C)

Jennifer Taylor Mendoza, Dean of Academic Support and Learning Technologies, said Project Change is in its second year of operation. She introduced Katie Bliss, Program Director for Project Change. Ms. Bliss said the program serves students who are currently incarcerated at Juvenile Hall in San Mateo County as well as those who have been through the juvenile justice system and are court involved and coming to the campus to take classes. She said this is the first college-supported program of its kind in California and said it is a testimony to the District, College of San Mateo and community partners. Ms. Bliss said Project Change students typically have been underrepresented and disenfranchised. She said it is powerful to see these students making the transition from Juvenile Hall to college. She said they are motivated and academically inclined students who are transforming their lives. Dean Taylor-Mendoza acknowledged Dean Henry Villareal and thanked him for his support of the program.

Ms. Bliss played a video of student testimonials. She introduced two students who spoke in person, sharing their experiences with Project Change and how it helped them realize they could go to college and be successful. They noted that the program offers continual support and has provided financial help to purchase textbooks.

Ms. Bliss introduced Tabitha, an instructor who teaches a course at Juvenile Hall for college credit. Tabitha said teaching the course has been a rewarding experience and has helped her realize how wonderful the students are and how much support they need. She said she is thankful to Ms. Bliss for spearheading Project Change.

The following community partners spoke in support of Project Change: Jorge Contreras, Advocate Supervisor with CASA of San Mateo County; Bill Johnson of the County Probation Department; Rick Halpern, Managing Attorney for the Private Defender Program, Juvenile Services; Cliff Cretan, Superior Court Judge assigned to Juvenile Court; Christine Villanis, Deputy Chief of Juvenile Services for the County; Jeneé Littrell, Director of Safe and Supportive Schools with the County Office of Education; and Harold Atkins, Program Manager for Each One Reach One.

Dean Taylor-Mendoza discussed how Project Change addresses access, equity and achievement. She said all Project Change students are first-time students. She discussed enrollment status, course completion, persistence, English and math placement, and gender and ethnicity of the participants. Dean Taylor-Mendoza said 93 students have been touched by Project Change in the past two years. She said there is recognition that a richer web of student resources is needed to address issues such as transportation and the cost of books. She said a broader definition of student achievement is also needed as the definition of success may be different for different populations.

Sandra Comerford, Vice President of Instruction at College of San Mateo, said the community college system has an essential social justice component which is access to higher education. She said Project Change provides support and guidance to the most underrepresented population in San Mateo County and captures the meaning of the community college vision. Vice President Comerford said Project Change illustrates the care and dedication that the County, College and District have for all students. She said Project Change is aligned with Board goals and core values and principles in terms of equity and access.

Trustee Goodman said Project Change does great work. He commended the students who spoke about their experiences and encouraged them to keep up their good work. Vice President Mohr said Project Change is extraordinary and goes to the heart of social justice. Trustee Schwarz said Project Change serves students who didn't think they could go to college and realized that they could with the support offered by the program. She said she is pleased to see a program that focuses on these students and commended everyone involved. Trustee Holober said Project is a wonderful program. He commended the students who spoke and said he appreciates the community partners who reported on the program's impact. He said he appreciates the mention of how Project Changes is consistent with the Board's goal regarding social justice. Student Trustee Bajwa said he has interacted with many Project Change students and is inspired by them. He said he hopes the program grows to reach more students. President Mandelkern thanked the presenters for their excellent report. He thanked staff who work with the program. He said it is gratifying to see that the District focuses on the needs of all students in the community. President Mandelkern said he appreciates the support of community partners. He especially thanked the two students who shared their stories.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ITEMS: CHANGES IN ASSIGNMENT, COMPENSATION, PLACEMENT, LEAVES, STAFF ALLOCATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC AND CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL (16-1-1A)

It was moved by Vice President Mohr and seconded by Trustee Goodman to approve the actions in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

RATIFICATION OF RENEWED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS (AFT), LOCAL 1493 (16-2-2A)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Vice President Mohr to ratify the agreement as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS, LOCAL 1493 INITIAL CONTRACT PROPOSAL TO THE DISTRICT (16-2-3A)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Trustee Goodman to accept the proposal as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

DISTRICT'S INITIAL CONTRACT PROPOSAL TO AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS, LOCAL 1493 (16-2-4A)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Holober to accept the proposal as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

RATIFICATION OF RENEWED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME), AFL-CIO, LOCAL 829, COUNCIL 57 (16-2-5A)

It was moved by Vice President Mohr and seconded by Trustee Goodman to ratify the agreement as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

RATIFICATION OF RENEWED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA), CHAPTER 33 (16-2-6A)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Holober to ratify the agreement as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

President Mandelkern said the consent agenda consists of Board Reports 16-2-1CA through 16-2-7CA as listed on the printed agenda. It was moved by Trustee Goodman and seconded by Trustee Schwarz to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion carried, all members voting Aye. Regarding 16-2-7CA, Disposition of District Records, Trustee Schwarz noted that records retention and destruction is mandated by the Education Code. She asked how often records are reviewed. Sue Harrison, Director of General Services, said she will provide the information to the Board.

Other Recommendations

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-4 IN SUPPORT OF AB 1721 – STUDENT FINANCIAL AID: CAL GRANT PROGRAM (16-2-100B)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Vice President Mohr to adopt Resolution No. 16-4. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-5 IN SUPPORT OF THE SKYLINE COLLEGE EXPRESS PROJECT AND SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY SHUTTLE PROGRAM FUNDING FOR THE SKYLINE COLLEGE EXPRESS PROJECT (16-2-101B)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Goodman to adopt Resolution No. 16-5. Trustee Holober said the issue of transportation has been discussed at several meetings. He asked how this resolution fits in with other ideas on how the District might approach the issue. Chancellor Galatolo said the District is looking at a host of options to address the needs of students at all of the Colleges. He said the resolution is being presented at this time because of the opportunity to apply for grant funding. President Mandelkern said previous discussions on transportation included “The Last Mile” which was a topic at the Skyline College Success Summits. He said he is pleased to see progress with this grant opportunity and hopes the District is successful in securing the funding. Student Trustee Bajwa said transportation is one of the most important issues for students. He expressed gratitude on behalf of students that the issue is being addressed. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

AUTHORIZATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 3 (CIP3) PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS, PHASE ONE PROJECTS (16-2-102B)

It was moved by Vice President Mohr and seconded by Trustee Schwarz to authorize the project delivery methods as detailed in the report. José Nuñez, Vice Chancellor of Facilities Planning, Maintenance and Operations, thanked the Board for their patience and perseverance with the changes that have occurred regarding this issue. Karen Powell, Executive Director of Facilities Planning and Operations, said staff has spent considerable time looking into the optimization of delivery methods in terms of minimizing the District’s risk and mitigating risks that cannot be completely reduced. She said the District’s trusted business partners and members of the Design-Build and contracting communities report that they are very concerned about use of the Lease-Leaseback method, primarily due to the Fresno v. Davis appellate court ruling. Staff had reported to the Board on the use of the Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) delivery method as a potential alternative; however, it is reported that the risk management departments of large contractors are leery of this method as well. Ms. Powell said staff are concerned that implementation of a delivery method with which the market is not fully comfortable will result in a lack of competition. She said it could also further exacerbate the pricing being experienced in the current market. She said staff is seeking approval from the Board to

revise the recommended delivery method for four of the first wave projects from the CMAR delivery method to the Design-Build method.

In response to questions from the Board, Ms. Powell compared the benefits and liabilities of the various delivery methods in terms of risk, complexity of the projects, flexibility and construction value. With regard to the benefits of the alternative methods, she said staff is continuing to pursue creating these dynamics within the Design-Build delivery system. Trustee Schwarz complimented the Facilities team for the work they have done and said she is pleased that they have listened to the concerns of contractors. President Mandelkern said he also appreciates the team's diligence and thorough investigation of the various delivery methods. He said the District has had success with the Design-Build method in the past and he is comfortable with the request to revise the delivery method for the four projects as requested. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR TRANSCRIPT PROCESSING SERVICES TO CREDENTIALS SOLUTIONS (16-2-103B)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Vice President Mohr to approve the contract award as detailed in the report. In response to a question from Vice President Mohr, Dean Henry Villareal said an electronic version of a transcript will be the equivalent of the paper version. Regarding cost, Ms. Harrison noted that the requester of a transcript will pay the entire cost. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIT SERVICES TO CROWE HORWATH (16-2-104B)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Vice President Mohr to approve the contract award as detailed in the report. Trustee Holober noted that only two firms submitted proposals. Executive Vice Chancellor Blackwood said the District sent a Request for Proposal to 15 firms on the State Chancellor's list. She said it is fortunate that the two firms that responded are of high quality. Chancellor Galatolo said audit services are becoming more burdensome because of increasing requirements. He said there is a low margin for the amount of work required. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye. Trustee Schwarz said she will appreciate getting a fresh perspective.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR ON PREMISES UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS TO MAVERICK NETWORKS (16-2-105B)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Trustee Schwarz to approve the contract award as detailed in the report. Bruce Griffin, Chief Technology Officer, presented a report on why a new system is needed, the process for selecting the vendor, and information about Mitel and Maverick Networks. Trustee Holober said some of the proposals recommended the same equipment but the total prices varied; he asked about the breakdown of costs for equipment vs. other services. Mr. Griffin said staff did break out the cost for services; however, since the proposers designed systems based on the District's stated needs and sometimes included different services or different products from the same vendor to meet those needs, it is difficult to compare costs. Noting that Maverick Networks' pricing includes a \$132,000 discount, Trustee Goodman asked if discounts were embedded in the other responders' proposals as well. Mr. Griffin said this was vendor specific. President Mandelkern said many organizations seem to be moving away from traditional desktop handsets. He asked if the proposed system supports people using cell phones or laptop computers. Mr. Griffin said it does. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICIES: POLICY 1.15 OFFICERS OF THE BOARD; 6.31 AUDITING OF COURSES; AND 8.70 FEES AND CHARGES (16-2-106B)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Goodman to approve the revisions as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO THE BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (16-2-107B)

It was moved by Trustee Holober and seconded by Vice President Mohr to approve the appointment as detailed in the report. The motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF REVISION OF EMPLOYEE SECOND LOAN PROGRAM (16-2-108B)

It was moved by Trustee Schwarz and seconded by Trustee Goodman to approve the revisions as detailed in the report. Trustee Holober asked if there have been problems with balloon payments which have caused problems for many people in the general population. Chancellor Galatolo said there have been no balloon payments to date because people have either refinanced or found other loans. Trustee Holober asked if the District loans have a variable interest rate

once the payment period begins. Chief Financial Officer Raymond Chow said the rate is fixed. President Mandelkern said he believes it is necessary to amend the terms of the second loan program because of the prices in the Bay Area. He said he believes the proposed terms are reasonable to protect the District's financial interests. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANTS (16-2-109B)

It was moved by Vice President Mohr and seconded by Trustee Holober to approve the construction consultants as detailed in the report. Trustee Holober noted that MediFit is listed as a construction consultant for the Cañada College Kinesiology/Wellness and Athletic Club and will most likely also be a prospective management firm for the Athletic Club. Vice Chancellor Nuñez said MediFit has a design department within their company and they are experts in physical fitness facilities layout. He said the amount listed is a not-to-exceed amount and he expects the amount to be less. President Mandelkern said he appreciates mention of the not-to-exceed provision and he hopes the Facilities team will make every effort to spend as little as possible on outside consultants. After this discussion, the motion carried, all members voting Aye.

INFORMATION REPORTS

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY (16-2-2C)

President Mandelkern said this is the report to the community from the Bond Oversight Committee on last year's activities, as required by law. Trustee Schwarz asked where the report can be found. Ms. Christensen said it will be posted on the District website after the Bond Oversight Committee approves the report at their meeting on March 3. She said the Committee approved the preliminary report at their last meeting. President Mandelkern asked Ms. Christensen to convey the Board's thanks for their work and diligence.

2016 CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION UPDATE (16-2-3C)

Trustee Schwarz noted that there is a 2% decrease in the number of applications submitted for 2016 prequalification. Vice Chancellor Nuñez said market conditions are such that contractors are very busy and not as interested in submitting applications. He said the 2% decrease represents a loss of only three applicants. President Mandelkern asked if the list of prequalified contractors is robust and meets the District's needs. Vice Chancellor Nuñez said the District's needs are being met. He said the prequalified contractors are those who like doing business with the District and are responsible. Trustee Holober said he believes this is an important part of the way the District is approaching construction work. He said that looking at contractors' past records is a way to prevent potential problems. He said he is pleased to see that the list is being updated regularly. Vice Chancellor Nuñez thanked Sue Harrison and Yanelly Pulido, Contracts Manger, for their invaluable work on the process of prequalifying contractors.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Mandelkern said the Board received a letter from a member of the public regarding the capital improvement and international education programs. The Board also received a letter from the 2016-17 Grand Jury Judge of San Mateo County inviting the Board to submit names of citizens who would be interested in serving on the Grand Jury.

STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Trustee Holober recognized the crucial role and wonderful job Barbara Christensen has done for the entire District. He said he considers the work she does to be as central and vital as anyone employed in the District. He said the breadth of subjects and issues with which she deals is mindboggling. He said he wishes her well and thanked her for the outstanding job she has done.

Trustee Schwarz said she attended the Human Trafficking Awareness event at Cañada College and said the speakers were very informative. She said the other two Colleges are trying to address the issue and the San Mateo County School Boards Association (SMCSBA) will approach the subject as well. She said conversation about this topic must continue. Trustee Schwarz said she attended the Wounded Warrior game at College of San Mateo. She said the College did a wonderful job and the event was enjoyed by many members of the public. Trustee Schwarz said the SMCSBA will present a conference on mental health on April 29. Trustee Schwarz said that when she first decided to run for a seat on the Board of Trustees, former Trustee Eleanor Nettle told her she must talk to Barbara Christensen. Trustee Schwarz said this was good advice. She said the Board has had complete confidence in Ms. Christensen and she cannot say enough about her contributions to the District.

Vice President Mohr said he has known Ms. Christensen for many years. He said she is the epitome of a professional. He said she is incredibly articulate and brings great heart to her work. He said she cares deeply about the District and is simply the best. Vice President Mohr said he accompanied Anna Camacho, Project Director of the STEM Center at Cañada College, to the Futures Assembly in Orlando. The Math Jam program at Cañada College was recognized as one of ten innovative and far-reaching programs in the country in the Instructional Programs & Services category. Vice President Mohr said Ms. Camacho and the Cañada College team made an outstanding presentation at the Assembly.

Trustee Goodman said he attended the Wounded Warrior game at College of San Mateo. He said it was a wonderful event and presented a good opportunity to showcase the College. Trustee Goodman said he attended the Effective Trustee Workshop. He said he learned a good deal and the workshop helped him recognize that he needs to learn more. Trustee Goodman said there was a lockdown at his child's elementary school today because of a report of a person with a weapon. He said there still has been no email notification from the school. He said this highlighted for him the importance of the District having a robust telephone and communication system as part of its emergency plan. Trustee Goodman said he met Ms. Christensen years ago when he was a student at Skyline College. He said she is held in high regard by legislators and many other in the community. He said she is a person who always made the District look good. He said he appreciated her taking the time to meet with him after he won election to the Board.

Student Trustee Bajwa said there has been a strong response from students regarding the discussion of armed officers on campus. He said students have expressed the desire to have an active voice in the discussion. Student Trustee Bajwa said this is an exciting time for students who are receiving acceptance letters for transfer. Student Trustee Bajwa expressed gratitude to Ms. Christensen for her support for him and for all students. He said he has asked many questions and Ms. Christensen was always willing and able to answer them.

President Mandelkern thanked Ms. Christensen for her service to the District. He said that while her title is Director of Community and Government Relations, which is a full-time job in itself, she has developed many other specialties. He said many people will have to replace her. President Mandelkern said Ms. Christensen has brought in revenue because of her special knowledge of funding systems. He said she is recognized throughout the County as an expert on Redevelopment Agencies and has made sure that the District maximizes its revenue. He said no one in the area had developed faculty and staff housing and no one had any idea how to go about it. Ms. Christensen recognized the need and saw College Vista and Cañada Vista through to successful completion. He said it has been a pleasure and an awe-inspiring experience to work with Ms. Christensen. President Mandelkern said he attended Assembly Member Rich Gordon's Higher Education Committee meeting along with Vice President Mohr and Chancellor Galatolo. He attended the Wounded Warrior game and was impressed by the triumph of the human spirit over adversity. He was most impressed by the spirit of cooperation among the many groups within the District and College who worked together to make the event succeed flawlessly. President Mandelkern said he attended a Chinese New Year celebration in State Senator Leno's San Francisco office, along with Assembly Members Ting and Chiu. President Mandelkern encouraged everyone to attend the Skyline College President's Breakfast on March 17. President Mandelkern said he was interviewed by NBC Bay Area regarding campus security and the research being done on armed vs. unarmed officers. He said he was told that the interview aired last night. He emphasized that research on this issue will proceed and there is no predetermined outcome. He said the Board looks forward to hearing from experts, followed by discussion and a decision on whether to take any action. He said the Board wants input from all constituencies on this topic.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

President Mandelkern announced that during Closed Session, the Board will (1) hold a conference with District Labor Negotiator Eugene Whitlock; the employee organizations are AFSCME, AFT and CSEA, (2) hold a conference with legal counsel regarding one case of existing litigation and one case of potential litigation as listed on the printed agenda, (3) hold a conference with Real Property Negotiator Barbara Christensen regarding disposition of property and terms of payment as listed on the printed agenda.

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 9:02 p.m. and reconvened to Open Session at 10:23 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS TAKEN

President Mandelkern reported that the Board took no action during the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 10:25 p.m.

Submitted by

Ron Galatolo, Secretary

Approved and entered into the proceedings of the March 16, 2016 meeting.

Dave Mandelkern, President