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Highlights from the Governing Board Meeting

Board Member Reports

Trustee **Mary Kay Rosinski** commended everyone who worked on the Cuyamaca College convocation, and recognized the recipients of the Grossmont College Fall Scholarship Awards.

Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Chuck Taylor** said he enjoyed the opportunity to attend the recent luncheon with State Chancellor Jack Scott. Taylor said there are four new clubs on campus including a veterans' club.

Grossmont College Student Trustee **Christopher Enders** mentioned a television appearance on Fox 5 News. He thanked members of the American Federation of Teachers for their efforts to support the oil severance tax and get the word out that students are hurting.

Board President **Bill Garrett** acknowledged that students are not happy and that it has been a difficult semester. He said his participation in the Commission on the Future and opportunities to review student success make him excited about the possibilities for the future.

Reports to the Governing Board

District Senior Director of Facilities Planning, Development, and Maintenance **Dale Switzer** presented the annual review of District capital construction, including updates on the five master plans.

Gafcon Project Manager **Jim Davies** provided the semi-annual Gafcon Program Management Report for the first half of 2010, providing information on project completions and progress of ongoing projects.

Cuyamaca College Vice President of Instruction **Robin Steinback** and Academic Senate President **Michael Wangler** provided the Governing Board with a midterm progress report on accreditation.

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** thanked Vice Chancellor **Sue Rearic** and her team—Grossmont College Vice President, Administrative Services **Tim Flood**, Cuyamaca College Vice President, Administrative Services **Arlene Satele**, and Interim Director, District Business Services **Sahar Abushaban**—for a great job preparing the Adoption Budget, including the joint Governing Board and Districtwide Strategic Planning and Budget Council workshop.

Chancellor **Miles** said it has been a "hard start" for many students and she is amazed enrollment is holding steady despite cutbacks. The number of students taking courses at both campuses has increased by 13 percent. Six thousand students on wait lists were able to get classes, but another 9,000 were not.

Board Focus on Student Success

The Student Success series continued this month with a conversation regarding the Cuyamaca Link program, which is showing early results of improving student success. Kudos to Dean of Counseling and Enrollment Services **Susan Topham**, Counselor **Jesus Miranda**, and Student Ambassadors on the wonderful presentation at the pre-board meeting.

Board Actions

After discussion regarding the budget, the Governing Board, with a 4-1 vote (Alexander opposed), approved the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District 2010-2011 Adoption Budget of approximately $202 million.

The Governing Board also:

Operations

♦ Approved revisions to board policy BP 2100 Board Elections.

♦ Granted authority to the Chancellor to amend Category I and Category II of the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District *Appendix to Conflict of Interest Code*.

♦ Approved the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District response to recommendations contained in the 2009/2010 Grand Jury report entitled "Ethics in Government."

♦ Authorized the appointment of **Glenice Stainbrook** to fill a vacancy on the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

♦ Accepted the Focused Midterm Report to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges by Cuyamaca College. The Focused Midterm Report indicates the progress toward meeting the evaluation team's recommendations.

♦ Adopted Resolution 11-012 Trustee Absence, which excuses the absence of Student Trustee Christopher Enders from the September 7, 2010, special meeting of the Governing Board due to hardship, and compensate him pursuant to Education Code Section 72024.

Budget and Finance

♦ Accepted a final status report on the 2009/2010 budget, and ratified the budget transfers authorized by the Chancellor.

♦ Accepted revenues, new grants, and revisions to the working budget, and grant authority to the Chancellor to budget these funds. There were no actions to report.

♦ Ratified the action of the Chancellor in approving purchase orders and warrants issued during the month of August 2010, and granted authority to execute appropriate documents.

♦ Ratified the action of the Chancellor in signing agreements, and granted authority to accept, budget, and spend any proceeds therefrom.

Public Works Projects

♦ Granted authority to the Chancellor to submit the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District Five-Year Construction Plan 2012/13–2016/17 to the State Chancellor's Office.

♦ Approved the annual revision to the *Proposition R* Funding Plan, and granted authority to accept, budget, and spend funds.

♦ Granted authority to the Chancellor to: (a) Award Bid B10.052 Cuyamaca College Transformer and Generator Replacement, to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications; and (b) Execute appropriate contract documents prior to ratification by the Governing Board, at the next meeting following the bid opening.

♦ Ratified the action of the Chancellor in awarding Grossmont College Griffin Center/Student and Administrative Services Bid B10.015 Demolition/Abatement, to Clauss Construction, Inc., the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions and specifications.

Personnel

♦ Ratified the action of the Chancellor in approving classified and academic personnel actions, during the period of August 17, 2010, through September 13, 2010.

♦ Approved short-term temporary, non-academic assignments, and certified ending dates.

Vice Chancellor's Report

Vice Chancellor **Sue Rearic** said the District is assessing current cell phone tower status, adequacy, and usage, and hopes to make a recommendation on seeking additional towers to serve staff, students, and the community. **Rearic** also said she will provide an update on staffing plans, noting there are significant open positions and retirements.

Presidents' Reports

GROSSMONT COLLEGE

- President **Sunny Cooke** announced that Grossmont College was selected Best Local College for 2010 in the *San Diego Union-Tribune* "Best Of" competition.
- **Cooke** reported that scholarships were awarded to 52 students, including 18 Osher scholars, at the Fall Scholarship event.

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- Vice President of Instruction **Robin Steinback** congratulated **Patty Branton**, **Michael Wangler**, and **Susan Topham** on receiving President's Awards at the Fall Convocation.
- **Steinback** reported that Cuyamaca's Classified Senate officers attended State Chancellor **Jack Scott**'s luncheon on campus.

Staff Reports

Classified Senate President **Debi Miller** said the Senate is considering creating a float for the upcoming Mother Goose Parade.

AFT representative **Lauren Halsted** said the organization is working on election issues including the Governor's race and Propositions 24 and 25. **Halsted** said AFT hopes to have 10,000 cards urging adoption of the oil severance tax signed by faculty, staff, and students and will deliver them to **Senator Dennis Hollingsworth.**

Cuyamaca Academic Senate President **Michael Wangler** said having Vice President of Instruction **Robin Steinback** and Interim President **Bob Garber** on campus has "changed the whole dynamic" for the better.

Staff Notes

Congratulations to **Robert Garber** on his appointment as Interim President at Cuyamaca College.

Board Meeting Schedule

The next regular meeting of the Governing Board will be held Tuesday, October 19, 2010, in the Griffin Gate, Building 65, Grossmont College. The open session will begin at 6:30 p.m., following closed session, scheduled for 5:20 p.m.

The schedule of regular Governing Board meetings for 2010 is posted online at: 2010 Governing Board Meeting Schedule.