



GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

**GOVERNING BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
Tuesday, May 20, 2003**

A special meeting of the Governing Board of the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District was held on Tuesday, May 20, 2003, at 5:30 p.m., at the Heritage of the Americas Museum, Cuyamaca College, 900 Rancho San Diego Parkway, El Cajon.

Members Present: Trustees Alexander, Caruthers\*, Clark, Cutting, Kraft; Student Trustees Collins and Ferrell  
\*Caruthers arrived at 5:47 p.m.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Chancellor Suarez, Presidents Martinez and Perri, Vice Chancellors Austin and McMahan, district and college administrators, members of the staff, students, press, and interested citizens.

**Call to Order**

Board Vice President Kraft called the special meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

**Workshop—Tentative Budget for 2003-2004**

Chancellor Suarez welcomed attendees to the Tentative Budget Workshop. He reported the Governor has signed the May Revise, and there appears to be some improvement in funding for community colleges; however, the effect of the proposed cuts will probably not be known until June or July. He invited Vice Chancellor Austin to present the Tentative Budget for 2003-2004.

Austin provided an overview of the state budget process as it relates to community colleges, and described the process used in developing the Tentative Budget. Austin and Presidents Perri and Martinez reviewed the processes used in developing the site budgets.

Chancellor Suarez expressed appreciation to all who were involved in putting the budget together, and offered assurance that everything possible will be done to ensure that both colleges have adequate resources to continue serving the same number of students. In the event workload measures are adjusted by the State Chancellor, however, the number of students served would have to be reduced.

Board President Caruthers adjourned the special meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by the Governing Board June 17, 2003.

Omero Suarez, Ph.D.  
Chancellor and  
Secretary to the Governing Board

Timothy L. Caruthers, D.C.  
Board President

Mary V. Watkins  
Recording Secretary