



GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

**GOVERNING BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BOARD WORKSHOP  
Friday, August 23, 2013**

Board members gathered at 11:30 a.m. in the La Mesa Community Center Conference Room at 4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa, CA, for the Annual Board Workshop conducted by Dr. Cindra Smith, on topics that included Board professional development, a mid-year check on the Board’s 2013 goals, District strategic planning, data, and stewardship. No action was taken.

Members Present: Trustees Barr, Garrett, Hiel, Justeson, and Rosinski; and Student Trustees Hernandez (departed 2:45 PM) and Marcus

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Chancellor Miles and Dr. Cindra Smith

**Call to Order**

Board President Bill Garrett called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

**Public Presentations**

There were no public comments or presentations.

**Annual Board Workshop**

**Board Professional Development**

- Board Members discussed professional development opportunities and expressed interest in the Community College League of California (CCLC), *Excellence in Trusteeship Program*. Trustees will be provided with the details for the 2014 program when it becomes available.
- Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Trustee Webinars—trustees reviewed the schedule of webinars and will contact J. Danks to register for webinars.

**2013 Governing Board Goals—Mid-year Check**

Board Members reviewed the 2013 Governing Board goals and found they had made satisfactory progress in all areas and noted the following:

- **1.3** All District plans have been completed with exception of the Human Resources Plan, which is underway.
- **4.2** To attend as many events as possible, the Board requested that student trustees keep them informed of student events and requested Diversity Dialogues be added to the Calendar of Events.
- **6.1** Increase Board Reserve to the equivalent of one month’s salary requirement of approximately \$7M.
- **7.1** Review accreditation standard IV.B. during the September Board Workshop.
- In preparation for the development of the 2014 goals, the Board discussed aligning goals to focus on the District Strategic Plan, Strategic Areas of Focus.

**Call to order**

**Public Presentations**

**Annual Board  
Workshop**

### Commission on the Future

- Board President Garrett provided background information on the Commission on the Future's work that began in 2010 with President Barack Obama's proposal to reclaim the lead in adults earning associates or bachelor's degrees. He said the Community College League of California convened a commission of 33 college leaders, including Trustee Garrett, to participate in three 2-day sessions over six months in 2010 for California's community colleges to increase certificate and associate degree completions by 1 million by 2020.
- Trustee Hiel provided an overview on the *Commission on the Future's* goals of Leadership and Accountability and Student Success (intensive student support, teaching and learning, finance and affordability). He also highlighted the K-12/CCC linkage (dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and articulation and credit-by-exam). Trustee Hiel recommended that of the four goals, the Board consider identifying leadership and accountability as a goal. Board Members discussed getting involved in the following activities:
  - Holding a joint Governing Board articulation meeting with Grossmont Union High School District to discuss shared interests
  - Scheduling a Governing Board Presentation: Basic Skills and Assessment

### Strategic Planning

A Board of Trustees effectiveness and review cycle model was discussed and highlighted the following areas:

- Establish/finalize Board goals
- Mid-year check-in/report on goals
- Annual institutional effectiveness review (includes ARCC)
- Annual goal setting workshop

Board Members were given highlights on the *Board Role in Planning*, Community College League of California Trustee Handbook Chapter 19.

Trustees discussed and were in agreement with the following [\*Board Priorities\*](#):

- Promote civility, collegiality, and trust between all District constituents
- Refocus the District on student success
- Increase District fiscal security
- Affordable, quality healthcare
- All employee salary schedules at median level
- Improve employee negotiations
- Equitable, transparent allocations between sites
- Integrated 21<sup>st</sup> Century technology systems
- Workforce development to meet business and industry needs
- 9-14 partnership to promote college and career readiness and success

### Not just the data, but the why

Trustees were happy with the amount of data being received through presentations and workshops. There was a recommendation for more information on how the data relates to the big picture and accountability.

**Stewardship & Connection in Leadership**—Board Members agreed departmental tours are a big part of stewardship and requested more tours in the following areas:

- Humanities "Civic Gain"
- Theatre Arts
- Workforce Development
  - Exercise Science
  - Automobile Technology
  - Horticulture

**Adjournment**

Board President Garrett adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Miles, Ph.D.  
Chancellor and  
Secretary to the Governing Board

Jennifer J. Danks  
Recording Secretary

**Adjournment**

**Approved by the Governing Board September 10,  
2013**

Bill Garrett  
Board President