

SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD

UNADOPTED MINUTES
February 20, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 20, 2008, in the Administration Building, Room 626, Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, CA 94534-3197, by Phil McCaffrey, Governing Board President.

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

At the request of Board President McCaffrey, CTA President Diane White led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Phil McCaffrey, President
A. C. "Tony" Ubalde, Jr., Rel.D., Vice President
James M. Claffey
Denis Honeychurch, J.D.
Pam Keith
Stephen Murphy, J.D.
A. Marie Young
Lillian Nelson, Student Trustee
Gerald F. Fisher, Secretary

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Ross Beck, Director of Public Relations, Marketing and Communications
Richard Christensen, Ed.D., Director, Human Resources
Jay Field, Vice President, Technology & Learning Resources
Lisa J. Waits, Ed.D., Vice President, Student Services
Judy Spencer, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent/President and Governing Board

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Keith for approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Board recognized Ms. Janene Whitesell, coordinator of the exhibitions in the Art Gallery, who invited the Board members and campus community to the first art exhibitions and receptions of the semester:

WARPED: The Art of Textiles – February 15 – March 9, 2008
Reception and Artist Talk – Monday, February 25, 2008 – 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Dorothy Herger Gallery – Room 1304
Gallery Hours: Monday – Friday – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

HOT OFF THE PRESS: Printmaking by SCC Students
February 9 – March 18, 2008

SCC Library, Building 100

Reception: Friday, March 7, 2008 – 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

April 1 – May 13, 2008

SCC Vacaville Center

TERRA FIRMA: The Aesthetic Terrain

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Ms. Whitesell stated all exhibits and receptions are free. A fourth exhibit will be held at the Vallejo Center sometime later in the semester and will soon be advertised when more information becomes available.

The Board recognized Ms. Debb Jachens, Labor Relations Representative from CSEA, who spoke on behalf of both faculty and staff who are represented by CSEA and Operating Engineers, Local 39, all of whom are dedicated to the College and students, as well as being dedicated voters in the community. Ms. Jachens stated these staff members are the long-term employees. They are the stability to our students and a credit to Solano College. Faculty and staff have been met with huge challenges over the years, and have completed each new challenge, often needing more staff to do it with, but doing it with less. Ms. Jachens cited the time, talents and efforts of faculty and staff associated with the new Vallejo Center, packing and moving to various buildings resulting from Measure G remodel projects; the amount of work associated with the accreditation process, and still continuing on with their regular job responsibilities. Ms. Jachens stated nothing has impacted the workload of the College's employees more than the new Banner system, yet faculty and staff continue to serve administration and students. In return, faculty and staff are asking the District to be fair and mindful that they deserve the best and the Board's respect. Ms. Jachens stated that faculty and staff feels the District should take care of home first and make them their priority so they may continue to serve the student populations with the excellent service they provide.

The Board recognized Ms. Diane White, President of CCA/CTA/NEA. On behalf of faculty, CTA President White congratulated Board President McCaffrey on his appointment to the Board as Board President.

Ms. White began by stating she was honored to be joined by representatives from Local 39, Norma Lopez and Bill Kelly, whom she introduced to the Board. Ms. White acknowledged publicly that the Board has many difficult and important decisions to make concerning the future of the institution, and that the Board is making these decisions in trying times. However, she said, we also would like to acknowledge that every year in California represents a trying time. We have had earthquakes, fires, floods, riots, the Enron shakedown and rolling blackouts; only to name a few. The list is endless.

We've had our share of crisis here at Solano too. In fact, she said, "it makes me rather sad to think that we have newer employees who know nothing but a state of crisis! But somehow, through all of these years we have managed to cope, and in fact, we have done more than cope-- we have thrived. In spite of everything, the employees of the College have consistently gone above and beyond the call of duty to make sure that we serve the District well, but above all, and most importantly, that we serve our students well."

Ms. White continued by saying despite diminished and insufficient staff levels, CSEA members have worked endlessly on Banner training while the daily business piles up, but somehow they manage to do it all. They take care of us. They take care of our students. They get us our rosters, chalk, pens, paperwork, computer help, toner...everything!

Local 39 staff have made sure that the lights stay on, the water flows, new buildings are well taken care of, and that the athletic fields are mowed. And while faculty who call upon these employees for everything from toilet paper to classroom heat might be told they'll have to wait, these professionals always come through for us so that we can do our jobs.

Faculty, CSEA, and Local 39 members serve on hiring committees (too numerous to mention), accreditation standards committees, FABPAC, the Shared Governance Council, subcommittees of these committees, and much, much more. This kind of service is very hard on members of smaller units like Local 39, but they do it anyway because they care about this institution. We have all put in tremendous time and showed great patience in building move after building move.

Ms. White concluded by saying that there are more examples than these, but that they ask only this, "while you make your decisions concerning the future of Solano Community College that you simply be mindful of our dedication to the College, our perseverance in an extremely stressful time in our history, and that you make us the priority we deserve to be."

Trustee Keith thanked faculty and staff for choosing two eloquent speakers to express their opinions instead of many saying the same thing over and over again. Board President McCaffrey acknowledged those present and both speakers and affirmed that their comments were heard by the Board.

6. REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED):

(a) Associated Students of Solano College (ASSC)

In lieu of a report, the following ASSC members for the spring 2008 semester were introduced by ASSC President Harjot Sandhu (Public Health/Microbiology Major) to the Governing Board:

Camilla Casey, ASSC Vice President – Medical Office Specialist Major
Mike Nelson, Business Services Senator, Criminal Justice – Law Enforcement Major
Erique Gigante, Vocational Curriculum Senator – Major Undeclared
Wayne Aguigui, Diversity Affairs Senator – Graphic Design & Illustration Major
Simeon Howard, Fine & Applied Arts Senator – Psychology Major
Cecilia Panduro, Humanities Senator – Major Undeclared
Antonio Algere, Social Science Senator – Human Services Major
Harold Shields-Arterberry, Student Services Senator – Psychology Major

ASSC President Sandhu announced that the Governing Board and campus community were cordially invited to a Clock Dedication to celebrate the installation of our Campus Street Clock on the Quad on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, at 12:00 Noon. Superintendent Fisher announced that the Associated Students of Solano College made a significant contribution towards the purchase of the fifteen-foot tall, four-faced clock. The installation of the street clock was envisioned in the Campus Enrichment Plan approved last spring by the Governing Board. President Fisher stated the clock chimes on the hour and every half hour. This project will be enjoyed by the campus community and will definitely enhance the quad area of our campus.

(b) Academic Senate

Academic Senate President Gail Kropp reported that:

--February 11, 2008, began with a small welcome celebration on behalf of Dr. Robin Steinback, Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Dr. Lisa Waits, Vice President of Student Services. The Academic Senate believes the College is fortunate to have these two capable and collegial women join the campus community and is looking forward to a long and productive working relationship with them both.

--area reports were heard from the Office of Academic Affairs, representation from the Curriculum Committee, Distance Education Committee, FABPAC, and Flex Cal Committee.

--Dr. Lisa Waits presented to the Senators information on enrollment priorities and the request to include students serving in ASSC in the priority 2 enrollment category. Senators agreed ASSC should be included, along with student athletes and Summer Bridge students, and this item will be voted on at the February 25, 2008, meeting.

--the Facility Use Policy 1100 was discussed, with the primary concern being that the application process and associated fees could have a chilling effect on college and community relations.

--the remainder of the meeting was devoted to accreditation matters, including the establishment of a standing committee of the Senate, the Accreditation and Student Learning Outcomes Committee, as well as the Accreditation Mid-term Report which is due in October 2008.

(c) Shared Governance Council

Ross Beck, Director of Public Relations, Marketing and Communications, reported that the Shared Governance Council met on Wednesday, February 13, 2008. Mr. Beck stated that the 4000 Series Human Resources Board Policies were reviewed with the approval of all but four policies, which will be brought back to a future meeting for more discussion. Board Policy 5050 Enrollment Priorities, and Procedures, was reviewed and approved. Board Policy 1080 Animals on Campus was reviewed, discussed, and returned to committee for additional work. Superintendent/President Fisher reviewed the recently received letter from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, dated January 31, 2008. The representative groups presented their individual area reports.

(d) Superintendent

Superintendent Fisher reported that:

--the campus community has been invited to participate in a Banner “mock registration” for summer and fall on February 27, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., in two staged computer labs (Rooms 103A and 400B) or from any computer on campus. All faculty, staff, students, and administrators are encouraged to participate. Students who participate and complete an information card will be entered into a drawing for twenty fall priority registration slots.

--the campus community has been invited to attend two budget forums scheduled Tuesday, February 26, at 10:00 a.m., and again on Friday, February 29, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., both in the Board Room. The information to be shared will be the Governor’s budget proposal for 2007-08, 2008-09, and the 2007-08 declaration of a fiscal emergency under Prop 58; fiscal challenges facing Solano College, Accreditation findings regarding fiscal stability, and FTES growth and the Vallejo Center.

--on November 29, 2007, Dr. Linda Spink, Chair of the Accreditation Visiting Team, and Ms. Mary Ann Breckell came to Solano College for the purpose of validating the October 15, 2007, Progress Report prepared by the Solano Community College District in response to three recommendations identified by the April 18, 2007, evaluation team. The Accrediting Commission at its meeting held January 9-11, 2008, reviewed the Focused Progress Report, and the Commission took action to accept the report, and at the same time reinstated recommendation #2 (Improving Institutional Planning) as part of their on-going recommendation for resolution. Copies of the evaluation team report and Commission action have been distributed to the Board and disseminated to College staff representatives. The College has been issued a warning to correct deficiencies noted by January 2009.

The College has been required to complete a Special Report in conjunction with the Mid-term Report by October 15, 2008. The report will be followed by a visit of Commission

representatives. The Special Report recommendations have more to do with organizational and structural issues of the College, i.e., Improving Institutional Planning, Staffing and Organizational Stability, Fiscal Integrity and Stability, and Leadership. We are making progress on these issues and will have our report before the Board sometime next September. It is important to note that we are fully accredited and this in no way affects the instructional quality to our students or the transferability of any of our coursework to other institutions.

--congratulations are extended to the students and coaches of our fantastic Speech and Debate teams which recently won the Northern California Forensic Association's Regional Championship Tournament at Diablo Valley College. It was the 10th year in a row that Solano College has won their regional championship tournament. There were 33 colleges and universities competing at the tournament and Solano captured first place with 140 points. The Falcon's next tournament is at Cerritos College. Superintendent Fisher again extended congratulations to our student teams and coaches Neil Glines, Greg Poff and Ana Petero.

--California Community Colleges Interim Chancellor, Dr. Diane Woodruff, has extended thanks to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger for announcing earlier this month his continued support of California community college nursing programs through his award of additional funds for those programs. These funds, which supplement state funds awarded to all community college nursing programs throughout the state, are very welcome. The eight colleges receiving the awards will be able to increase student participation in their programs and provide more services to their nursing students. Superintendent Fisher stated we are applying for these available funds at this time. Dr. Woodruff has stated, "When the Governor announced his nursing initiative in April 2005, he had indicated that he expected to achieve 10,000 new nurses for California by 2010. This year, the California community colleges, the largest provider of graduate nurses in the state, graduated more than 7,000 new nurses. This puts us well on our way towards achieving the goal of graduating 10,000 new nurses by 2010. This feat would not have been possible had it not been for the investment the Governor made early on in our nursing programs and his belief that the community colleges will rise to the occasion to supply the vital workforce that California needs."

--the Spring 2008 Enlightenment Series, sponsored by the Ethnic Studies Program, began with "one of our own", former Vice President of Administrative and Business Services, Dr. Willard Wright, presenting *The History of African American Medical Schools from 1900-1910*. On February 13th, Sergeant Major Jesse Branch spoke to students about *African Americans in the Marine Corps*. On Tuesday, March 4, 2008, former Solano Community College Superintendent/President Stan Arterberry, and current Chancellor of West Valley-Mission Community College District, will speak to students on *My Journey to the Presidency*. We are pleased and proud that our former Solano College colleagues continue to share their time and experiences with our campus community.

--students, faculty, administrators, classified staff, Trustees, and community supporters will converge on Sacramento to call attention to threats to our colleges and protect the chance for every California to go to college. A Rally for Higher Education will take place on April 1, 2008, in Sacramento, California. Anyone interested in signing up for updates about the April 1 Rally for Higher Education may do so by logging on to www.april1rally.org. More details will be made available as we get closer to the date.

--the 26th Annual Retirement and Recognition Celebration will be held May 9, 2008, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Fairfield. Fourteen (14) retirees will be honored and recognition given to others for years of service rendered. The Solano College Foundation will help underwrite the event. More information will be provided when it becomes available.

--the most current information on our recruitment efforts was made available to the Board members.

--an excerpt from the February 2008 issue of Athletics, the official publication of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, featuring Bob Myers, Dean of the Physical Education and Athletics Division, and the current President of National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators (NATYCAA) was provided to the Board. Superintendent Fisher shared some of the interesting things that he learned from this article about Dean Myers, such as that he was the U.S. Olympic Coach in Track and Field at the 1996 Olympics and 2004 NCAA Regional Coach of the Year; he's in his dream job; he is a multiple All-American in Masters Track and Field; his favorite musical group is the *Eagles*; and that he likes rainbow sherbet. Congratulations were extended to Dean Bob Myers for this honor and for the work he continues to do on behalf of students in our Physical Education and Athletics Department.

Trustees Young and Ubalde were in agreement in expressing how much they would appreciate being able to see our speech and debate team in action and if they could be videotaped during a performance or on campus. Board President McCaffrey called upon Dean Rota who responded by saying that they do not have the funds or equipment to videotape our students while on the road, but would investigate the possibility of showcasing some of our more talented speakers via video on campus and making the video available on the Solano Web site.

Trustee Murphy commented on the many accomplishments going on at Solano which are the result of a vibrant campus community and active CTA, CSEA and Local 39 leadership and memberships. Trustee Murphy further added how blessed we are at this point in time with Superintendent/President Fisher's leadership. Superintendent/Fisher reiterated what he has said in the past which was that we are only as good as our employees.

- ***Women's Basketball Recruitment Video - Dean Bob Myers***

Bob Myers, Dean of the Physical Education and Athletics Division, was pleased to be able to share some of the accomplishments of the Solano College Women's Basketball Team on behalf of Coach Matt Borchert who could not attend the Board meeting because of an away basketball game. Those present enjoyed a video that was made by Kim Nunley and April Abeyta, two of our Assistant Women's Basketball Coaches, and is a shining example, together with faculty, of what is being done to help students achieve their athletic and lifetime goals. Highlights of the video spotlighted on comments made by Matt Borchert, President of the State Basketball Coaches Association and Head Women's Basketball Coach for Solano College. The video is currently being used by the Women's Basketball Team and PE Department for recruitment purposes. The video also featured Solano staff and students, with an emphasis on academics, developing life skills, tutoring, counseling, and the support of family, as well as the excitement surrounding future new facilities.

Dean Myers reported that details are being worked out through the efforts of Vice President Field and the IT staff to get parts of this video on the Solano Web site.

Coach Borchert and the Women's Basketball staff and student athletes have clinched the Bay Valley Conference Crown. The team is now 13-0 in conference play, and Coach Borchert now has 154 wins at Solano College!

Dean Myers stated that all of our coaches work very hard in recruitment and fundraising efforts, and another Coach that deserves recognition is Baseball Coach Scott Stover who has raised over \$40,000 this past year, of which \$30,000 will be expended on a baseball club house, and with the help of our maintenance department should be functional in the next few weeks.

Board President McCaffrey expressed on behalf of the Board thanks to Dean Myers and Coaches Borchert and Stover for all they do, and for sharing the excellent recruitment video.

- ***Bond Update***

Ron Richards, Kitchell CEM, reported that:

Vacaville DSA Review

--the Architect, KMD, has their back check meeting scheduled for an over-the-counter review with DSA on Friday, February 29, 2008. This should complete the DSA review process. We are still on track for advertising for bids in March, with a late March or early April bid date.

Building 400

--portions of parking lots one and three in front of the new 400 Building have been sealed and re-stripped, and the west entrance to parking lot one has been modified to improve traffic flow.

Sports Fields Renovation Project

--has a revised bid date of February 27, 2008. This was necessary due to addendum information that needed to be issued for the bid process. We still expect a start date in March for this project.

Vice President Ubalde asked for clarification of Vallejo Center change order PCO 183, revisions to F-10 light fixtures at wood ceiling in lobby, including mock-ups, on page 14 of the agenda. Mr. Richards responded by saying during construction it was determined that the detail shown on the drawings would not comply with building code and the contractor was directed to provide several mock-up examples of possible solutions. The end result was what the owner desired.

Vice President Ubalde requested clarification of Vallejo Center change order PCO 194, install backing and filler at toilet partitions; caulk and paint filler to match adjacent walls, on page 14 of the agenda. Mr. Richards stated during construction it was observed that the listed mounting brackets for the toilet partitions created a gap at the wall above the tiled wall sections. The contractor had to apply a filler backing material, caulk and paint the gap to provide for a finished appearance. This was a sizeable amount of work due to the number of partitions involved. The end result was what the owner desired.

Vice President Ubalde asked for clarification of Vallejo Center change order PCO 231, repair asphalt parking area damaged by gasoline spill, on page 15 of the agenda. Director Kitchen responded by saying that it was most likely a student's vehicle that caused the damage in the parking lot which leaked a large amount of gasoline and damaged the asphalt paving. The repair, at owner request, had to be completed quickly to avoid further damage.

Vice President Ubalde requested information on Vallejo Center change order PCO 242, reimburse deducted costs from previous change orders for failure to achieve level 5 drywall finish, on page 15 of the agenda. Mr. Richards responded by stating the subcontractor failed to achieve the specified level 5 drywall finish; therefore, payment was withheld until the level 5 finish was achieved. The change order reimbursed the contractor the fees that were originally withheld.

Superintendent Fisher commented that when you subtract out the owner request change orders from the errors and omissions that we continue to be within the normal 3-5% range for changes in new construction and under budget. Mr. Fisher reminded the Board that it is easier and less costly to make the changes during construction as opposed to after the fact, which would entail going out to bid again and paying more for materials and labor.

7. CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent/President

- (a) Minutes for the Meeting of February 6, 2008

Human Resources

- (b) Employment – 2007-08; Gratuitous Service

Administrative and Business Services

- (c) Warrant Listings
- (d) Construction Change Order No. 1 Approval for J.W. & Sons, Inc. – Bid No. 08-001
- (e) Construction Change Order No. 2 Approval for Mac's Interior Drywall
- (f) Construction Change order No. 19 Approval for Ralph Larsen and Son, Inc. – Bid No. 06-002

Moved by Vice President Ubalde and seconded by Trustee Keith for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda.

9. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – ACTION ITEMS

Administrative and Business Services

(a) Amendment to Agreements with TLCD Architecture for Building 1400 and Building 1700B

Frank W. Kitchen, Director of Facilities, presented the amendment to agreements with TLCD Architecture for Building 1400 and Building 1700B for additional design services that include an adjustment to the existing original contract and which are owner requested. The total add services fee for Buildings 1400 and 1700B are \$3,995 and \$1,275 respectively.

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Murphy for approval of the amendment to agreements with TLCD Architecture for total add services fees for Buildings 1400 and 1700B, amounting to \$3,995 and \$1,275 respectively. The motion passed unanimously.

Student Services

(b) Resolution Proclaiming March 2008 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College, Resolution No. 07/08-16

Dr. Shirley Lewis, Director of Student Development, presented a resolution proclaiming March 2008 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College, Resolution No. 07/08-16.

Moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Young for approval of Resolution No. 07/08-16 Proclaiming March 2008 as Women’s History Month at Solano Community College. The motion passed unanimously with the roll call vote as follows:

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE – Lillian Nelson concurred.

AYES – Trustee Young, Trustee Claffey, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee Keith, Trustee Murphy, Vice President Ubalde, and Board President McCaffrey

NOES – None

ABSENT – None

10. INFORMATION ITEMS – NO ACTION REQUIRED

(a) Information Update on Discussions Between Solano Community College Fire Technology Program and Vacaville Fire Department

Dean Robert Johnson, Career Technical Education Division, presented as information to the Board an update on the Phase I discussions that have been held between the Solano Community College Fire Technology Program and Vacaville Fire Department relative to an agreement that would facilitate a co-located fire training facility on the new Vacaville campus and would provide great benefit to both the College’s Fire Technology students and the incumbent firefighters in Vacaville.

Superintendent/President Fisher reminded the Board last spring when the Board was looking at their goals that he was directed to reopen discussions with the City of Vacaville and Vacaville Fire Department and our Fire Technology program. Over the past four to five months, a series of meetings have been held which included the city and fire department officials, as well as our Fire Technology Coordinator, Roy Pike; and Robert Johnson, Dean of Career Technical Education Division, who represent the College.

Dean Johnson shared with the Board members detailed talking points about the issues at hand and the proposed solutions that relate to the College and the City of Vacaville's Fire Department potentially entering into an agreement that would facilitate a co-located fire training facility on the new Vacaville campus. Dean Johnson also shared with the Board a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the discussions held to date:

The Issue

- The Solano Community College Fire Technology Program and the City of Vacaville Fire Department need fire training facilities.

The Solution

- Enter into a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with Vacaville Fire Department to share 7.9 acres at the Vacaville site to build a state-of-the-art Fire training Facility and use of an overflow parking lot for Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) training.

Facility Design

- Five-story training tower with attached propane-fired burn room
- Two classrooms
- Fire engine and equipment storage building
- Secured space for training props

Typical Training Facility

- A generic photo was provided for the Board to view.

Why Would We Want To Do This?

- The Fire Technology program becomes a signature career technical education program at the new Vacaville Center.
- It eliminates the use of multiple sites during the Fire Fighter 1 Academies (Fire 14) and centralizes the location of the Fire Academy in Solano County.
- Presently we use Dixon Fire Department, Travis Air Force Base, Mare Island, and various locations in Solano County, depending on availability for instructional space. The cost of facilities rental presently is \$50,400 each academic year.
- Will allow for a year-round program and expansion of the Fire Technology class offerings, including an additional Fire fighter 1 or Wildland fire Academy in the summer.

- Revenue could be generated by renting the use of the facilities to fire departments and protection agencies within Solano County for their live fire training.
- A water recovery system could be implemented to aid in irrigating the campus landscape, reduce water usage and support the Green Initiative of the Governing Board.

What Items would be Considered for the JPA?

- Construction and Design funding.
- Shared use scheduling.
- Equipment and tooling to be used in Fire Academies, e.g.,
 - Forcible Entry Tools
 - Power and Hand Saws
 - Hydraulically powered vehicle Extrication Tools
 - Portable Lighting Equipment
 - Fire Hose, Nozzles, Fittings, and Appurtenant Devices
 - Self-contained Breathing Apparatus and Refill system
 - Fire Pumps
 - Fire Engines
 - Salvage Covers and Appurtenant Devices
 - Ventilation Blowers and Smoke Ejectors

Concerns expressed by various Board members included the impact on student enrollments with multiple facilities being used, a long-term lease and property rights with the city; subletting the property, multiple usages of the parking area, and land development and usage. The Board was in consensus that they are interested in continuing discussions, moving ahead cautiously in gathering information, and in involving legal counsel when warranted.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student Trustee Nelson announced that not only are the students holding the clock dedication next Tuesday, February 26, at noon, but that they are hosting a hamburger/hot link bar-be-que on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Claffey advised he received an inquiry from one of our Willotta Oaks neighbors as to the District's plans for weed abatement between their property and the football field. Director Frank Kitchen responded by stating discing has been planned for this property around the first week of April and can be moved into late March if more appropriate. Mr. Kitchen stated timing is critical in order to avoid having to perform the work more than once.

Trustee Young announced that she attended the following College and community events:
February 2008

07 – Met with the North Vallejo Healthy Start Collaborative Steering Committee relative to drafting a job announcement for a Healthy Start Coordinator at Elsa Widenmann Elementary School.

09 – Attended the 41st Annual Anniversary Fundraiser of the Continentals of Omega Boys’ and Girls’ Club, Inc., which was held at McCormick Hall, Solano County Fairgrounds, Vallejo, California.

15 – Chaired a conference call of the Board’s Subcommittee of the Citizens’ Board Oversight Committee (CBOC) with Trustee Claffey and Trustee Ubalde when three applications received for the vacant position on the CBOC were screened and discussed. The recommendation for filling this vacancy will go for before the Board for approval at the March 5, 2008, meeting.

15 – Attended the presentations given at the Solano Community College Vallejo Center for the participants of Leadership Vallejo. Trustee Young stated she currently is the Board’s representative on the Education Committee of Leadership Vallejo and February 15th was Leadership Vallejo “Education Day.” The participants in the program visited four educational sites in Vallejo: Vallejo City Unified School District, Solano Community College Vallejo Center, California Maritime Academy, and Touro University. Trustee Young extended sincere kudos to the following members of the SCC family who took time on a holiday on behalf of the College to give a “first class” presentation on short notice to the group: Superintendent/President Gerry Fisher, Dr. Lisa Waits, Vice President Student Services; Dr. Thomas Kea, Director of the Vallejo Center; and Dr. James DeKloe, Biotechnology instructor. Mr. Ross Beck, Director of Public Relations, Marketing and Communications was also in attendance.

16 – Attended Community Forum 2008, “Education is a Civil Right: Making the Dream a Reality.” The event, held at Hogan High School in Vallejo, was sponsored by Willie B. Adkins Scholars, which is a group with whom Trustee Young has been a volunteer Mathematics tutor since 1995. Dr. George McKenna was the keynote speaker and the subject of the award-winning CBS television movie, “The George McKenna Story” starring Denzel Washington. Trustee Young was one of the presenters for the workshop, speaking on “Standing in the Gap: Service Organizations Fill the Need.”

20 – Attended an all-day retreat from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. for the North Vallejo Healthy Start Collaborative. The retreat was held at the United Way office in Vallejo.

Vice President Ubalde announced that he attended the following community events:

February 2008

09 – Attended the 41st Annual Anniversary Fundraiser of the Continentals of Omega Boys’ and Girls’ Club, Inc., Vallejo, California.

11 – Attended the 211 Launching held in San Francisco, California.

Board President McCaffrey announced that he visited with the ASSC during their retreat held February 12, 2008, and that the Solano Community College Foundation elected Rhuenette Alums as their new Chair at their meeting held February 12, 2008. Board President McCaffrey congratulated Trustee Stephen Murphy who was elected as the new Vice Chair.

Board President McCaffrey recessed the regular meeting at 9:02 p.m.

13. CLOSED SESSION

- (a) Public Employee Performance Evaluation
All Contract Faculty
- (b) Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency Negotiator: Richard Christensen, Ed.D.
Employee Organization: CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local

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- (c) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
(No additional information required.)

Board President McCaffrey called the Closed Session to order at 9:10 p.m., and adjourned the Closed Session at 9:24 p.m.

14. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board President McCaffrey reconvened the regular meeting at 9:25 p.m.

15. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President McCaffrey reported that the Board discussed Public Employee Performance Evaluations for contract employees on the tenure track; held Conference with Labor Negotiator on CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers-Local 39; and discussed public employee discipline/dismissal/release in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board President McCaffrey adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

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APPROVED

PHIL McCAFFREY, PRESIDENT

GERALD F. FISHER, SECRETARY