

SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD

UNADOPTED MINUTES

January 23, 2013

**Board President Chapman reported that Trustee Keith is recovering from her recent procedure and to please keep her in our thoughts and prayers. President Laguerre reported that she is feeling good and is optimistic about her recovery.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, January 23, 2013, in the Administration Building, Room 626, located at Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, California 94534, by Board President Sarah Chapman.

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

At the request of Board President Chapman, Trustee Michael Martin led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sarah E. Chapman, President  
Denis Honeychurch, J.D.\*  
Michael A. Martin  
Rosemary Thurston  
A. Marie Young  
Kayla Salazar, Student Trustee  
Jowel C. Laguerre, Ph.D., Secretary

*\*Arrived after roll call.*

Members Absent:

Pam Keith, Vice President  
Monica Brown

Others Present:

Charo Albarrán, Interim Director, Human Resources  
Yulian Ligioso, Vice President, Finance and Administration  
Diane M. White, Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs  
Judy Spencer, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent-President and Governing Board

Dr. Jowel Laguerre, Superintendent-President, exercised the option to modify the order of the Agenda advising Item 6.(b) Facilities Master Plan would be discussed first and Item 6.(a) Legal and Financing would be discussed second.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Board President Chapman recognized Dr. Philip Petersen, Professor of Physics and Astronomy, who requested to comment on the Facilities Master Plan and in particular a planetarium.

Dr. Peterson, an Astronomy and Physics instructor at Solano College began by stating he has been teaching since the late 90's and has had the vision that a planetarium would really be an attraction to the College, not just allowing for opportunity to interact with the community, but offering opportunity to witness astronomical events and wonderful things that can't be taught in the classroom.

Professor Petersen presented information on the total installation costs of a planetarium at Long Beach City College, based on costs between 2006-2008, amounting to \$570,000.

Dr. Laguerre stated that there are processes in place for proposals to the Facilities Master Plan and encouraged Dr. Petersen to work with Interim Vice President White and his Dean to move his idea forward.

*Trustee Honeychurch arrived at 6:50 p.m.*

6. REPORTS (NO ACTION REQUIRED):

**MEASURE Q – NEXT STEPS**

(a) Facilities Master Plan

- *Facilitated by Rob Barthelman, STV/vbn/ARCHITECTURE*

Mr. Rob Barthelman gave a PowerPoint presentation on the final draft campus plans associated with facilities master planning. He presented the priority project list and probable costs for each location, i.e., Fairfield, Vacaville, and Vallejo, with the first project being Building 1200 Theater, Music Drama renovation. Identified with the probable costs from Measure Q were state funds available amounting to \$31,979,000. The probable costs include campus-wide infrastructure, landscape, contingencies, design and management costs, or 66.7% of total funds available through Measure Q.

The site maps for each location were discussed and the Board asked for more detailed information for the Vallejo location, which included different options for the location of the new building. It was also requested that the current proposal be presented in three-dimension showing approaching it from the freeway as well as coming west on Columbus Parkway toward the freeway.

Next steps identified included: additional studies required for accessibility, security/safety and traffic; technology, infrastructure assessment, signage/way finding, and tree surveys. Implementation planning includes: continued analysis of project costs and implementation, collaboration with Program Manager (yet to be determined); design and sustainability guidelines, and District standards for products and materials.

Trustee Honeychurch expressed his concern for sustainability and encouraged the District not to move too quickly to avoid expensive errors.

The Board requested continued updates until they are comfortable to vote on the proposed Facilities Master Plan.

*A full and complete copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available for review in the Office of the Superintendent-President and the Office of the Vice President of Finance and Administration*

(b) Financing and Legal

- *Facilitated by Tim Carty and Piper Jaffray (Investment Banking Firm)*

Financing

Mr. Tim Carty gave an overview of the Measure Q Bond Program, stating the Bond was approved by the voters on November 6, 2012, with a passage rate of 63.5%. The total amount is \$348,000,000, with an estimated tax rate of \$18.99 per \$100,000, less than the projected \$25. The Bonds are to be sold in phases over time, with the timing and amount of each bond series to be determined by the District's capital facility cash flow needs, District's assess valuation performance, market interest rates, and projected tax rates. Refinancing of a portion of the Measure G Bonds are planned to be done concurrently with the first issuance of Measure Q Bonds. Mr. Carty identified the funding of the \$348M of projects over 15 years. Highlighted were proposed legislative changes to education bond issuance provisions.

Trustees attending the CCLC Legislative Conference requested talking points to be able to address concerns of the District as it relates to the proposed changes in the Education Code relating to the Bond.

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- *Facilitated by Kerrigan Bennett, J.D. - Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth*

Legal

Dr. Kerrigan Bennett gave a brief summation of the legal requirements and provisions required by a Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee that determines expenditures are properly honored and are presented accurately to the public. This is done by a Board resolution. The Board has the option of forming a new and separate Bond Oversight Committee for Measure Q or gives the existing Bond Oversight Committee the authority to continue to monitor both Bonds. By continuing with the existing CBOC, solicitation of new members and evaluating applicants greatly reduces the administrative burden for supporting separate committees and conducting multiple meetings.

Timing becomes critical for the formation of a CBOC at the time when the Board certifies the election results, at which time the Board has sixty days to select and confirm and establish this committee. The next 90 days and long-term planning were identified in the PowerPoint presentation.

Members of the Board requested speaking points of Dr. Bennett's presentation in order to stay informed of the facts before making final decisions. Trustee Thurston requested copies of all of the PowerPoint presentations made this evening be given to Board members as well.

(c) Support Structure

*Facilitated by Yulian Ligioso, Vice President, Finance and Administration*

Vice President Yulian Ligioso identified internal staff levels necessary to maintain Measure Q. Five additional positions are specific to Measure Q, i.e., Director of Measure Q facilities planning, Administrative Assistance III, Contracts Specialist, Accountant, and Accounts Payable. The annual financial impact is an estimated \$356K-\$435K for salaries and benefits. Updated job descriptions will be available for approval in March. Project Management and Construction Management needs were also identified.

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Board President Chapman recessed the special meeting at 8:55 p.m.

7. CLOSED SESSION

- (a) Conference with Labor Negotiator  
Agency Negotiator: Charo Albarrán  
Employee Organization: CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39
- (b) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Board President Chapman called the Closed Session to order at 9:00 p.m.

8. RECONVENE SPECIAL MEETING

Board President Chapman reconvened the special meeting at 9:10 p.m.

9. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President Chapman reported that the Board held Conference with Labor Negotiator and CCA/CTA/NEA, CSEA, Operating Engineers—Local 39 in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

Board President Chapman reported that the Board discussed Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release in Closed Session, and no action was taken.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board President Chapman reminded the Board that she will be selling tickets for the Solano Valley Alumnae 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feed to be held at the Ulatis Cultural Center, Vacaville, February 16, 2013, from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per person.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Young reported that she attended the following community events:

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**20** – Attended the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Living the Dream Multicultural Celebration in honor of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that was held in the theater. The guest speaker was Mr. Simeon Wright, the cousin of Emmett Till. Emmett was last seen alive by Simeon when he was snatched out of Simeon's bedroom one night by white men. Emmett Louis Till was an African-American boy who was murdered at the age of 14 after supposedly flirting with a white woman in 1955 Mississippi.

The Lifetime Achievement Award recipients at the celebration were the Honorable Bill Thurston, posthumously; the Honorable Rosemary Thurston, and Dr. Ella Tolliver. Dr. Karen McCord and her committee are to be commended for presenting an outstanding event to the community.

**23** – As a volunteer, tutored mathematics to student athletes in an afterschool Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) tutoring program at Vallejo High School.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

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SARAH E. CHAPMAN  
BOARD PRESIDENT

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JOWEL C. LAGUERRE, Ph.D.  
SECRETARY

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