

**SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD**

ADOPTED MINUTES
Wednesday, February 1, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Solano Community College District Governing Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, in the Denis Honeychurch Board Room, Room 626, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, California 94534, by Board President Thurston.

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

At the request of President Thurston, Dr. Rischa Slade led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the United States of America.

3. ROLL CALL

Rosemary Thurston, President
Sarah E. Chapman, Ph.D., Vice President
Denis Honeychurch, J.D.
Pam Keith
Michael A. Martin
Quinten Voyce
A. Marie Young
Larry Bartlow, Student Trustee
Celia Esposito-Noy, Ed.D., Secretary

Others Present:

Greg Brown, Vice President of Student Services
Mary Jones, Human Resources
Yulian Ligioso, Vice President of Finance and Administration
Lucky Lofton, Bond Manager
Michael Wyly, Academic Senate
Sandra Therrien, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent-President Office

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS)

There were no comments from members of the public on Closed Session items.

6. CLOSED SESSION

Board President Thurston called the closed session to order at 6:34 p.m.

- (a) Public Employee Performance Evaluation
(Celia Esposito-Noy, Ed.D., Superintendent-President)

7. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board President Thurston reconvened the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

8. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board discussed Public Employee Performance Evaluation and no action was taken.

9. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (CONTINUED)

Aria Mahmondieh commented on the new science building, specifically the size of the bird room, which is smaller than what is currently being used. Would like to know if there's any talk of a larger space, possibly with whiteboards. Superintendent-President Esposito-Noy responded that the current plans include a large space with a chalkboard wall.

Jacob Hinkle reported that all of the ASSC minutes are complete. Mr. Hinkle also announced that almost 40 clubs were present today at Club Promo Day in the 1400 building. ASSC is concerned about the classes that have been removed. Superintendent-President Esposito-Noy commented that we are in the process of developing an ADT (Associate Degree for Transfer) program. She also clarified that Ethnic Studies was a series of speakers, not a class. Board President Thurston stated she is very glad that Superintendent-President Esposito-Noy is pursuing the ADT program.

Trustee Martin thanked Jacob Hinkle for his comments.

Anna Castro commented on the Ethnic Studies program and expressed concern about the removal of some classes.

10. CONSENT AGENDA – ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent-President

- (a) Draft Minutes for the Meeting held on January 18, 2017 (Pending Board Approval)

Human Resources

- (b) Employment – 2016-2017, Page 5

Finance and Administration

- (c) Notice of Completion for Construction Services for Hydronic Pump Insulation Project, Page 7

It was moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Young to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

11. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

12. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – ACTION ITEMS

Human Resources

(a) Resignation to Retire, Page 9

Dr. Leslie Minor presented the following:

Gene Thomas joined the Biology faculty at Solano Community College in 1996. The courses that he teaches in a typical year include Introduction to Biology; Introduction to Human Biology; Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity; and Microbiology.

Over his 21 years at Solano, Gene has also been very involved in college governance activities, including several years in leadership with the Assessment and Student Learning Outcomes Committees. He has been active in the CTA executive leadership, serving as President and Vice President of Solano's faculty union, as well as Chief Negotiator. He has also served on the Sabbatical Leave Committee, the Distinguished Faculty Committee, and the Equivalency Committee. He is most proud of his contributions toward the SLO data base and reporting systems, and his research used in structuring the employee health care benefits system.

In describing Gene's teaching, students describe him as:

- Tough but fair
- Dedicated to his profession
- Able to make a difficult class interesting with relaxed learning discussions
- Able to present material in a way that sticks with students
- Challenging – going above and beyond expectations
- Providing more than students expect from the course, and helping them succeed even when students come in a little scared
- Delivering a real college class.

In addition to teaching, Gene is also a student at Solano. He has been very involved in photography and related art classes. His photography instructors note that "the beauty of Gene's work is that he combines all his joys and talents when he makes an image, and does so from the heart, from a 'no head' space that surprises some scientists to discover this place exists."

A former colleague remembered Gene this way: "He was known for being very generous - often bringing beautiful flowers, much needed bottles of Bombay Sapphire Gin, and thoughtful cards (often hilariously irreverent ones) to colleagues across campus. He remembered many birthdays, consoled people for losses they suffered, and acknowledged in kind ways their successes. Gene has always been generous with his time, too. He was someone who always asked what he could do to help the college as well as individuals."

In closing: We will miss Gene, and we wish him the best, as he sets off on his new adventures.

It was moved by Trustee Voyce and seconded by Trustee Young to approve the Resignation to Retire as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Finance and Administration

- (b) Contract Award for Construction Services to Sierra National Construction, Inc. for the Sub-Station #1 & #2 Replacement Project, Page 10

It was moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve the Contract Award for Construction Services to Sierra National Construction, Inc. for the Sub-Station #1 & #2 Replacement Project as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

- (c) Change Order #1 to Pro Builders for Horticulture Site Improvements Project, Page 12

It was moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Martin to approve the Change Order #1 to Pro Builders for Horticulture Site Improvements Project as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

- (d) Contract Change Order #9 to BHM Construction Inc. for Building 1200 Performing Arts Renovation (Phase I) Project, Page 14

It was moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Keith to approve the Contract Change Order #9 to BHM Construction Inc. for Building 1200 Performing Arts Renovation (Phase 1) Project as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Academic Affairs

- (e) Memorandum of Understanding Between Solano Community College District and Mariani Nut Company (New), Page 16

It was moved by Trustee Keith and seconded by Trustee Honeychurch to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Solano Community College District and Mariani Nut Company as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Student Services

- (f) Resolution No. 16/17-12 Proclaiming February 2017 as Black History Month at Solano Community College, Page 19

It was moved by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Chapman to approve Resolution No. 16/17-12 Proclaiming February 2017 as Black History Month at Solano Community College as presented. The motion passed unanimously with the following roll call vote:

STUDENT TRUSTEE ADVISORY VOTE: Yes

AYES: President Thurston, Trustee Chapman, Trustee Honeychurch, Trustee Keith,
Trustee Martin, Trustee Voyce and Trustee Young

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

13. BOARD STUDY SESSION (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

CCCCO Scorecard and Basic Skills Update
Presented by Dean Peter Cammish & Joshua Scott

Dean Peter Cammish gave a presentation on Student Success Scorecard Data. Highlights included gender and ethnicity comparisons; age and full-time faculty; English and Math remediation rates; outcomes of CTE and Skills Builder; and English pass rates. Trustee Martin noted the female population has increased since last year's report and Dean Cammish confirmed the increase. Trustee Chapman stated this might have to do with the military offering tuition benefits to spouses now.

Joshua Scott presented specifics on English and math data, including strategies, process timeline, traditional and revised curriculum, co-requisite results, and results of placement reforms. Professor Scott discussed how the SCC community can help by providing assistance from Counseling to provide representatives on the basic skills committee, participate at the table as multiple measures are automated and institutionalized, and time on the counseling department agendas. In addition, the community can help with continued funding and leadership.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

- (a) Measure Q and Measure G Quarterly Progress Update Reports to the Governing Board, Page 22
- (b) New Science Building Project Update, Page 24

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board President Thurston attended The Emerald Ball on January 28, 2017 where Coach John Nagle was the recipient of the 2017 Person of the Year award. The following was part of the event's program:

John Nagle, husband, father, educator, coach and mentor, has worked in Solano County for over 20 years touching lives of young people, especially young men. He has coached men's basketball at Fairfield High School where he also taught history and at Will C. Wood High School where he was a teacher in teacher in the Special Education Department. Since 2003, he has been an instructor at Solano Community College and the head coach of the men's basketball program. One might say, just casually looking on, that this is his job, his livelihood. However, with John, it's not It's a calling. His personal motto has always been, "*It's not about winning games, it's about winning lives*". He has used his programs and the game of basketball to teach hundreds of young men the

skills they will need to be successful in life: first and foremost, the value of an education (his acceptance to play in a game “your grades must be up to standards or you don’t play tonight no matter how much we need you”); the value of giving back to the community and to the world; the rewards of creating a comfortable home and family where he and Lisa, his wife of 22 years, are raising an exemplary 11th grade honor student, son Jay.

Many of his students who have considered giving up on school, stay just to see if they can “play” for Coach Nagle because he gives everyone a fair shot. Despite all odds, many of his students have graduated from Solano Community College (where he works very hard to get them into 4 year colleges and universities) and gone on to earn a Bachelors and even Masters degrees. To John’s immense pleasure, many of these same students are paying it forward by reaching out and coaching other young men in high schools using the lessons instilled in them by Coach Nagle. John is also a volunteer with the Matt Garcia Center where he holds free basketball clinics for youth. He works with the Police Activity League and the Fairfield Police Officers’ Association by bringing his team to serve as wait staff and cleanup crew for the annual fundraising dinner and auction. John also works with Safe Quest Violence and Sexual Abuse Prevention helping with outreach education and fundraising for children in their care. Tau Upsilon Omega salutes this amazing community leader.

16. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Young attended and/or participated in the following:

January 19, 2016: Solano EDC Annual Luncheon at Hilton Garden Inn Fairfield

January 19: Vallejo 2017 Juneteenth Planning Committee Meeting

January 21: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated (AKA) Founders’ Day Celebration in Rancho Cordova, CA. My sorority, AKA, is the first African American sorority that was founded in 1908 at Howard University. I am a charter member (1974) of the graduate chapter of AKA in Vallejo, Kappa Beta Omega Chapter.

January 21: Osby Davis, the immediate past mayor of Vallejo, Retirement Dinner at Dan Foley Cultural Center in Vallejo

January 25: Volunteer mathematics tutor at Hogan Middle School in Vallejo to 7th graders, who are participants in an afterschool program, ‘Links to Success: Math Olympics’

January 28: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Tau Upsilon Omega Chapter’s 15th Annual Scholarship Fundraiser – ‘The Emerald Ball.’ This event was at Clubhouse at Rancho Solano in Fairfield. Solano College men’s basketball coach, John Nagle, was honored as the chapter’s ‘2017 Person of the Year.’

January 29: The Links, Incorporated Solano County (CA) Chapter (SCCL) Founders’ Day Celebration that included church worship at Shiloh Baptist Church in Vacaville followed by lunch at Linde Lane Tea Room in Dixon. I am a charter member of SCCL that was chartered on January 29, 1994.

January 30: As a member of the Associate Group of the Greater Vallejo Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated, (GVC JJ) met with other members of the group to perform a community service activity - sorting donated toiletries by members of the group and making at least 60 individual packets of toiletries that were donated to the Vallejo Christian Help Center. All items not placed in an individual packet were sorted and given to the help center to distribute as needed. I am a charter member (1988) of GVC JJ.

February 1, 2017: Volunteer mathematics tutor at Hogan Middle School in Vallejo to 7th graders, who are participants in an afterschool program, 'Links to Success: Math Olympics'

February 1: Black Girls Code Planning Committee meeting at Vallejo High School. This free event will be on May 3, 2017 at Hogan Middle School Auditorium from 6:00-8:30p.m.

February 1: SCCD Measure Q Steering Committee Meeting at the Fairfield campus, Denis Honeychurch Board Room

17. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Honeychurch and seconded by Trustee Young to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.