

MINUTES

(Subject to approval at next Regular Governing Board meeting)

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY PROVISIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday June 11, 2019
Santa Cruz Center Boardroom
4:00 p.m.

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

- 1.01 Call to order
Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mr. Nils Urman.

Board members present:

Dr. Angela Meixell, Vice Chair
Mr. Nils Urman, Chairperson
Dr. Marcelino Varona
Mr. Victor Fontes
Mrs. Liz Collier

Board members absent:

None

Staff present:

Dr. Stella Perez-Executive Director/CEO
Ms. Georgina Tavera-SCCPCCD Finance Director
Mr. Brian Nelson – PCC Program Director
Dr. Homero Lopez- SCCPCCD Consultant
Ms. Christie Monreal- SCCPCCD Community Outreach
Mr. Jose Corrales- IT Consultant

Guests:

Mr. Richard Brennan
Mr. McEwen and his guest
Mr. John Anthony Sedgwick

- 1.02 **Pledge of the Allegiance:**
Led by Mr. McEwen

- 1.03 **Adoption of Agenda:**
Upon motion by Dr. Marcelino Varona and second by Dr. Angela Meixell, the agenda for the June 11, 2019 SCCPCCD Regular Governing Board meeting was accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIES.
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Approve:
Dr. Angela Meixell –Yea
Dr. Marcelino Varona –Yea
Mr. Nils Urman –Yea

Opposed:
None

1.04

PUBLIC COMMENT-CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

The Santa Cruz County Provisional Community College District Governing Board welcomes public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the College.

Comments will be limited to five minutes per individual. At the conclusion of public comment, individual Board members may respond to criticism made by those who addressed the Board, may ask staff to review a matter be put on a future agenda. Members of the Board, however, may not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during public comment unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Finally, be advised that internal college processes are available to students and employees for communication.

- In attendance was Mr. McEwen from Sonoita, Arizona with two public requests.
- Mr. Urman welcomed Mr. McEwen and explained to him that this was the Truth and Taxation meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

2.01 Finance Manager

Ms. Georgina Tavera

Presentation of the Budget by Ms. Georgina Tavera, SCCPCCD Finance Manager.

- Ms. Tavera handed Board Members copies of the summary from the last board meeting showing the SCC Financial Reports and Budget for fiscal year 2019-2020.
- The current budget for present fiscal year is \$1,726,000.00.
- Ms. Tavera also had a comparison from last year's FTSE Budget to this year's, which is \$134,000 and last year's, which was \$317,000.
- Ms. Tavera explained Employee Salaries and the difference between one year and the other. Last year, salaries were \$377,000 and this year they will be \$434,000, primary reason is SCCPCCD has hired new full time Finance Manager.
- Ms. Tavera also explained the tax rate was lowered this coming fiscal year from last fiscal year.
- Ms. Tavera explained the tax rate and the different levels between A, B and C.
- Mr. Urman explained that being that property values increased this year, they decided to lower the tax rate for this fiscal year.
- Mr. McEwen asked if someone could explain the \$5,294,108.00 amount in the budget summary.
- Dr. Varona explained that SCCPCCD has the legal right to tax Santa Cruz County residents up to the maximum of this amount, if SCCPCCD were to become a full-fledged accredited community college.
- Mr. McEwen asked to speak in reference to the Budget for 2019-2020
- Dr. Varona explained to Mr. McEwen that financing for SCCPCCD does not only come from taxes, but also from grants, State 301 and Maintenance monies. He verified that the bulk of the money comes from tax money.
- Dr. Perez reiterated that revenue also comes in through student tuitions, Scholarships, Grants, and the University of Arizona.
- Mr. McEwen asked as to why the FTSE amount has gone down half the amount this fiscal year. Dr. Perez explained that Cochise College, after being at the center for 15 years, decided not to renew the IGA and therefore SCCPCCD lost the financial aid that was much needed. As a

provisional college, SCCPCCD needs an accredited college partner in order to grant financial aid to the 98% of students that qualify and need it. SCCPCCD started a new partnership & IGA with Pima Community College in 2018 and now has a 5-year IGA with Pima Community College.

- Mr. McEwen commented that he now understood why so many classes had been removed from the class schedule and asked if they were going to be added again.
- Mr. Brian Nelson answered that once they are all approved by the HLC, they will be added to the curriculum. He also commented on the new courses and classes that will be offered at SCCPCCD this Fall 2019.
- Mr. McEwen asked if SCCPCCD is offering classes and courses to a resident that allows them the opportunity to stay within the community once they have completed their studies.
- Mr. Urman explained how the different courses being offered are geared for local residents.
- Mr. McEwen asked about PCC Welding Program and Culinary Programs. He stated that his overall question was if there is a business element attached to all these classes and if the students are able to stay within the community and generate money to the college itself.
- Dr. Homero Lopez explained to Mr. McEwen that if he looks at the Strategic Planning section, he would notice all that is being done at SCCPCCD.
- Dr. Varona was asked what are the biggest challenges he sees coming in the future. Dr. Varona answered that the biggest risk he sees is the President of Mexico does not allow the residents of Mexico living along the border to cross into the U.S. to do their shopping, thus keeping all the business in Mexico.
- Ms. Collier added that Santa Cruz County is going through some changes and it will be up to the college to offer programs to meet the business needs.

2.02 Adoption of 2019-2020 SCCPCCD Fiscal Year Budget

Based on the recommendation by Dr. Stella Perez and upon motion by Dr. Marcelino Varona to adopt the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget and second by Dr. Angela Meixell, the 2019-2020 SCCPCCD Fiscal Year Budget was adopted as presented. MOTION CARRIES
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In favor:

Mr. Victor Fontes –Yea
Ms. Liz Collier –Yea
Mr. Nils Urman- Yea
Dr. Angela Meixell –Yea
Dr. Marcelino Varona –Yea

Opposed:

None

3. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Liz Collier and second by Dr. Angela Meixell, meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Dr. Stella Perez, CEO/Executive Director



Dr. Angela Meixell, SCCPCCD Vice-Chair