



**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY PROVISIONAL
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD**

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022

Santa Cruz Center Board Room
2021 North Grand Avenue
Nogales, AZ 85621

1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Call to Order:

Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., Chairperson, called a Regular Public Board Meeting of the Santa Cruz County Provisional Community College District Governing Board to order on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. as presented.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Dr. Meixell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call / In Attendance:

Present at the meeting were – Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.-Chairperson, Dr. Angela Meixell- Board Member, Ms. Liz Collier- Board Member, Mr. Greg Lucero- Board Member, Mrs. Georgina Tavera- Finance Manager. Note: Mr. Fanning- Vice Board Member was absent due to being out of town. Also, Dr. Morgan Phillips from Pima Community College and David Pauole, PCC District Attorney were in attendance.

B. Adoption of the Agenda:

Chairperson Varona entertained a motion to adopt the agenda of Tuesday, June 14, 2022, SCCPCCD REGULAR Governing Board Meeting as presented. Dr. Meixell motioned to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Ms. Collier. Discussion: Chairperson Varona stated that Item E, report from Dr. Phillips, was being tabled for the August Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>AYE</i>	<i>NAY</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>
Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.	X		
Mr. John Fanning	Excused Absence		
Dr. Angela Meixell	X		
Ms. Liz Collier	X		
Mr. Greg Lucero	X		

C. Public Comment – Call to Audience

a. There was no call to the public.

2. STANDING REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

A. FY21-22 Financials

SCCPCCD Finance Manager provided a review and update of the May 2022 Financial Reports

- Mrs. Tavera provided everyone with a copy of the May 2022 financials and informed the Board that the balance for the checking account was \$290K; the only non-recurring items were the payment to Delta properties for building

maintenance for \$8,900; Pima Career Fair food for presenters; also, she had a meeting last week for the Foundation and received the financials; they invited Susana Rangel from Consulado de Mexico who notified Mrs. Tavera when the applications are opened; Ms. Collier assisted with the Ime Becas grant revisions and it was submitted back in May; they do want to participate in the committee for the scholarships; Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Tavera met about having this event weeks before; the event might need to be postponed to mid-August; the foundation financials have not changed very much and currently there is approximately \$50,000 in the bank and Consulado de Mexico is contributing \$7,000 (they will be reviewing this amount);

- Ms. Collier asked how to get more out of the scholarships and provide more information; she asked if there was any way to reserve/save some of the money and have a couple of scholarships presented to get our name out there. This Foundation is low-key and needs to start promoting more; Mrs. Tavera said it was possible and will inform them;
- Mr. Lucero said in his opinion that those making the awards are the only people who know what is going on; open discussion took place;

B. Chairperson of the Governing Board – SCCPCCD Governing Board Chairperson will address any updates

- Chairperson Varona attended the Pima Community College Career Fair, Mr. Nelson did a wonderful job and Dr. Phillips also attended; this was a good step in having an outreach and increase our student enrollment; he suggested having Nogales, Rio Rico, and Patagonia students attend; Ms. Collier said it was very good (56 students) and enjoyed seeing parents with students;

C. Members of the Governing Board

- Ms. Collier said it will be better next time and was a good turnout;
- Dr. Meixell saw the Facebook page and looked very good;
- Mr. Lucero asked for an update regarding bringing the Chancellor down for a luncheon as this was previously put on hold; Chairperson Varona said we and the Chamber of Commerce will be submitting an application to South32; it is moving forward at a slow pace;

D. PCC – Santa Cruz Center Report

- Mr. Brian Nelson, Advanced Program Manager, PCC- Santa Cruz County, shared feedback from the Career Fair; there were 56 participants and 38 surveys were returned; he said the feedback was “ok” and not negative; he reviewed the survey questions and results; he praised the student worker who went to several businesses to put up flyers; he also received 36 out of 38 who left full contact;
- Summer time was pretty much a wrap and the last set of classes started today; for the last 2 weeks, there has been little change; he shared the total numbers per class;
- Fall 2022 classes are two months away and are surprisingly very good; the interesting thing is in general education classes and liberal arts classes;
- The duplicated headcount is up to 369 (81.60%)
- Chairperson Varona suggested having professors to be fluent in English and Spanish;
- The Board thanked Mr. Nelson for the comprehensive presentation;

E. PCC – Santa Cruz Center Report –

- Mr. Morgan Phillips, PCC Supervising Administrator
 - THIS ITEM WAS TABLED FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

F. Proposed Ballot

- Chairperson Varona asked Attorney Pauole to provide an update on the proposed ballot;
- Attorney Pauole worked with Mrs. Tavera last week to get the official notification form filed with the County Elections Department so that they are aware that Santa Cruz County has a measure that will be included in the November ballot; the proposed language for the ballot in English was provided, needs to be translated into Spanish; provided them with the resolution that the Board adopted last month to proceed with the election; he asked Mrs. Tavera if she had heard from Alma on any deadlines; Mrs. Tavera met with her already and emailed the auditor and said that the county can provide guidance; Alma said the guidance has to come from the auditors general; Mr. Pauole said the County Elections Departments should already have an available made schedule; Mrs. Tavera will contact Alma again and find out what the process is; he will reach out to Mr. Chris Young and provide the Board with feedback;
- Chairperson Varona said the date he is most concerned about is when we have to submit the letters of support to be included in the pamphlet; can Attorney Pauole contact Maricopa County and find out?
- Attorney Pauole said he was concerned on the response; he asked if they knew someone who had been through the process?
- It was suggested to contact the Secretary of State by Chairperson Varona; Mr. Pauole will do some research and see if he can find a sample from other counties; Chairperson Varona said if needed, a Special Board Meeting will be conducted;
- Ms. Collier asked if we are allowed to ask for letters of support. Do they want a physical or electronic letter? Attorney Pauole said for the moment to direct the letters to Mrs. Tavera and start compiling them and have them ready;

G. Lease Agreement

- Ms. Collier and Mr. Lucero met with Mr. Panousopoulos this week and was very available and open for negotiations; the lease-purchases agreement was discussed and said the building is currently financed and if a lease purchase is something he could do; Mr. Lucero is talking to some attorneys and asking for guidance; he is financing this property and will look into doing a lease purchase; he stated that he had other issues on his plate that are complicating his attention to us; he will work for a solution and willing to work with us;
- Chairperson Varona said the alternative they have is a proposal about increasing property taxes rates;
- Attorney Pauole addressed his concern about an issue related to the lease; his concern with his proposed amendment was that the coverage through the Trust only covers college owned property which means the computers, furnishings, equipment, and does not cover any non-college property (buildings itself, walls, ac units, plumbing); the timing of the proposed amendment corresponds with the water damage claim and his motivation for wanting this is if something like this reoccurs, he will call upon the college's insurance; further discussion took place;

- Chairperson Varona suggested adding this item for the August 16th Board Meeting Agenda as an update as to which direction we should take and provide a response to Mr. Panousopoulos;

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Lucero motioned to approve minutes the Regular Board Meeting of May 17, 2022, and the Special Board Meeting minutes of May 31, 2022 as presented. Dr. Meixell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>AYE</i>	<i>NAY</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>
Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.	X		
Mr. John Fanning	Excused Absence		
Dr. Angela Meixell	X		
Ms. Liz Collier	X		
Mr. Greg Lucero	X		

B. Future Meeting Agenda Items

- a. Ms. Collier asked to include the Resolution and figure out a citizens committee to assist with this; she asked for each person to bring five names for the next Board Meeting for discussion;

C. Future Meeting Date

- a. August 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

4. Executive Session Items

- a. Nothing was addressed.

5. Adjournment

Ms. Collier motioned to adjourn the meeting of June 14, 2022, seconded by Dr. Meixell. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.	X		
Mr. John Fanning	Excused Absence		
Dr. Angela Meixell	X		
Ms. Liz Collier	X		
Mr. Greg Lucero	X		

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Fanning adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:53 p.m.

Minutes presented respectfully by:

Ms. Liz Collier
SCCPCCD Board Member