



Rancho Santiago Community College District District Council Meeting

MINUTES April 17, 2017

Members:	Raúl Rodríguez	Present
	Peter Hardash	Present
	Enrique Perez	Present
	Judy Chitlik	Present
	Sara Lundquist (<i>for Linda Rose</i>)	Present
	Jose Vargas (<i>for John Hernandez</i>)	Present
	Lee Krichmar	Present
	Elliott Jones	Present
	Michael DeCarbo	Present
	Roxana Pleitez	Absent
	Amber Stapleton	Present
	Lisette Cervantes	Present
	Esther Chian	Present
	Bonnie Jaros	Absent
	Steven Deeley (<i>for Mary Mettler</i>)	Present
	Diane Hill	Present
	George Sweeney	Present
	Jim Kennedy	Present
	Adam O'Connor	Present

Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez convened the meeting at 3 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of April 3, 2017
It was moved by Mr. DeCarbo, seconded by Ms. Chitlik and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2017 meeting.
2. April 24, 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting
Dr. Rodríguez shared highlights of the agenda for the April 24, 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting. There will be student recognitions: one from SCC and four from SAC.

3. District Budget

Chancellor Rodríguez discussed the current budget situation and the need to make expenditure reductions in order to deal with the budget deficit. He stated that a number of factors caused the deficit, including:

- (1) Declining enrollment;
- (2) Declining revenues;
- (3) Increases in fixed costs, STRS & PERS increases and other expenditures;
- (4) Spending above allocated budget.

Dr. Rodriguez stated that the budget deficit is currently between \$8 - \$9 million. Part of the plan is to make reductions in two phases. Phase I will be to make \$4 million in reductions by the adopted budget. The reductions will be allocated between the three budget centers as follows: 18.8% at district operations, 70% at Santa Ana College and 30% at Santiago Canyon College. Phase II may include making an additional \$4-\$5 million in reductions. The timeline and amount of reductions required in Phase II if necessary will be determined after we receive further information, including, our enrollment numbers and the Governor's May revise.

Dr. Rodriguez shared the current Personnel Requisitions and stated that all positions currently listed as "On Hold" would not be moving forward with the exception of the L.A. County and O.C. County directors for the LA/OC Regional Consortia, as those are funded by the regional consortia grant for all colleges in the region.

Dr. Rodriguez also mentioned that the district would be instituting a hard hiring freeze with the following guidelines:

- (1) All new positions must go to Chancellor's Cabinet for approval
- (2) Hiring freeze applies to both general and categorically funded positions
- (3) Public safety positions are exempt from the hiring freeze

Dr. Rodríguez stated that, as allowed in the Budget Allocation Model (BAM), he is temporarily waiving the provision in the BAM that calls for the district operations unspent carry over to be distributed to the colleges at the end of the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Any district operations carry over for 2016-2017 will remain in the district operations budget and used toward the district operations 2017-2018 Phase I savings. Any carryover in excess of the amount necessary for the 2017-2018 Phase I reductions will be returned to the campuses in accordance with the BAM

Other reduction strategies include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Very limited, if any, short term hires after July 1, 2017
- (2) Review and possible elimination of programs

4. Other

None

5. Next Meeting: The next District Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 8, 2017 in the Executive Conference Room (#114).

Meeting Adjourned: 3:34 p.m.

Approved: May 8, 2017