

RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (RSCCD)
Board of Trustees (Regular meeting) Hybrid
Santiago Canyon College
8045 E. Chapman Ave., Building E-203
Orange, California

Monday, October 14, 2024

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The hybrid meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by Mr. Sal Tinajero. Other members present were, Dr. Tina Arias Miller, Mr. David Crockett, Mr. John Hanna, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Phillip Yarbrough and Student Trustee Ricardo Alcaraz. Ms. Daisy Tong arrived at the noted time.

Administrators present during the regular meeting were Ms. Iris Ingram, Dr. Jeannie Kim, Mr. Marvin Martinez, Dr. Annebelle Nery, Ms. Kristin Olson and Mr. Enrique Perez. Ms. Maria Vicencio was present as record keeper.

1.2 Public Comment – Closed Session Only

There were no public comments.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The board convened into closed session at 5:38 p.m. to consider the following items:

2.1 Public Employment (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957[b][1])

- a. Full-time Faculty
- b. Part-time Faculty
- c. Management Staff
- d. Classified Staff
- e. Student Workers

2.2 Conference with Legal Counsel: Anticipated/Potential Litigation (pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9[b]-[c])

2.3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957[b][1])

Ms. Tong arrived at this time.

3.0 RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

The board reconvened at 6:26 p.m.

3.1 Closed Session Report

Mr. Yarbrough reported that during closed session the board discussed public employment and the board took no action.

The board discussed anticipated litigation and the board voted unanimously to settle with Hammel Green and Abrahamson, INC (“HGA”) in connection with its architectural services by:

1. Paying the District \$107,000;
2. Release the District from all claims for unpaid invoices related to the Santa Ana College Science Center Project; and
3. The District agreed to release all claims against HGA related to the Project

The board discussed public employee discipline/dismissal/release and the board voted unanimously to approve a settlement agreement with certificated employee #102681, which provided for the employee’s agreement to retire effective January 31, 2025, in exchange for a release of all claims.

4.0 PUBLIC SESSION

4.1 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Zeke Hernandez, RSCCD Trustee.

4.2 Approval of Additions or Corrections to Agenda

No additions or corrections to the agenda.

4.3 Public Comment

Dr. Christine Cecil spoke regarding Item 9.3 (Approval of First Amendment to the Subscription and Support Agreement with Point and Click Solutions, Inc.). Ms. Lupe Lopez (via Zoom) spoke regarding the upcoming Native American Heritage Celebration being hosted at SAC. Mr. Jacob Barraeta (via Zoom) spoke regarding Item 8.9 (Student Parking Fees Proposal).

4.4 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Yarbrough and seconded by Mr. Crockett to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 23, 2024. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Dr. Arias Miller, Mr. Crockett, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Tinajero, Ms. Tong and Mr. Yarbrough. Student Trustee Alcaraz’s advisory vote was aye.

4.5 Approval of Consent Calendar

It was moved by Mr. Yarbrough and seconded by Mr. Hernandez to approve the recommended action on the following items on the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 8.9 (Student Parking Fees Proposal) pulled by Mr. Yarbrough. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Dr. Arias Miller, Mr. Crockett, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Tinajero, Ms. Tong and Mr. Yarbrough. Student Trustee Alcaraz’s advisory vote was aye.

7.1 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College and Department of Defense

The board approved the memorandum of understanding between RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College and the Department of Defense (DOD) as presented.

7.2 Approval for RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College to Utilize the California Office of the State Fire Marshal, State Fire Training– User Portal

The board approved for RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College to utilize the California Office of the State Fire Marshal, State Fire Training User Portal, as presented.

7.3 Approval of Purchase Agreement between RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College School of Continuing Education and ReachLocal, Inc. (LocaliQ)

The board approved the purchase agreement between RSCCD on behalf of Santa Ana College School of Continuing Education and ReachLocal, Inc. (LocaliQ), located in McLean, Virginia, as presented.

7.4 Approval of the International Student Recruitment Agreement between RSCCD on behalf of Santiago Canyon College and Gocool International Inc.

The board approved the international student recruitment agreement between RSCCD on behalf of Santiago Canyon College and Gocool International Inc. located in Canada, as presented.

4.5 Approval of Consent Calendar (cont.)

7.5 Approval of Request to Exceed Annual Vendor Purchase Limit of \$15,000 between RSCCD on behalf of Santiago Canyon College, Lorenzo A. Ramirez Library Collection Development and Amazon, EBSCO, and Yankee Book Peddler (Gobi)

The board approved the request to exceed annual vendor purchase limit of \$15,000 between RSCCD on behalf of Santiago Canyon College, Lorenzo A. Ramirez Library Collection Development and Amazon, located in Bellevue, Washington, EBSCO, located in Ipswich, Massachusetts, and Yankee Book Peddler (Gobi), located in Contocook, New Hampshire, as presented.

8.1 Approval of Payment of Bills

The board approved the payment of bills as submitted.

8.2 Approval of Budget Transfers, Budget Increases and Decreases

The board approved the budget transfers, budget increases and decreases as presented.

8.3 Acceptance of Vendor Name Changes

The board approved to accept the vendors' name change requests as presented.

8.4 Approval of Agreement with PlaceWorks for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Consulting Services for the Centennial Education Center Replacement project at Santa Ana College

The board approved the agreement with PlaceWorks for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Centennial Education Center replacement project at Santa Ana College as presented.

8.5 Approval of Agreement with Cannon Corporation for On-Call Land Surveying Services for Various Projects District-Wide

The board approved the agreement with Cannon Corporation for on-call land surveying services for various projects district-wide as presented.

8.6 Approval of Award of Bid #1460 Fire Systems & Code Repairs Project at Santa Ana College, Digital Media Center, Centennial Education Center, and Orange County Sheriffs' Regional Training Academy

The board approved the award of bid #1460 fire systems & code repairs project at Santa Ana College, Digital Media Center, Centennial Education Center, and Orange County Sheriffs' Regional Training Academy as presented.

4.5 Approval of Consent Calendar (cont.)

8.7 Approval of Utilization of the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC) Master Services Agreement No. 00006415, Awarded to N2N Services, Inc.

The board approved the District's utilization of the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC) master services agreement No. 00006415, awarded to N2N Services, Inc., including renewals, future addendums, supplements, and extensions as presented.

8.8 Approval of Utilization of the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Master Services Agreement No. 5-22-99-31-01, Awarded to Hakuna Services, Inc. dba Dimension

The board approved the District's utilization of the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) master services agreement No. 5-22-99-31-01, awarded to Hakuna Services, Inc. dba Dimension, and any future renewals, addendums, supplements, modifications, and extensions as presented.

9.1 Approval of Resource Development Items

The board approved budgets, accepted grants, and authorization was given to the Vice Chancellor, Business Services or her designee to sign and enter into related contractual agreements on behalf of the district for the following:

- California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)/Work Study/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	\$	1,161,369.00
- Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education	\$	345,443.00
- Disabled Student Programs and Services	\$	2,303,181.00
- Extended Opportunity Programs & Services	\$	3,063,044.00
- K-12 Strong Workforce Program 2020/2021 (Year 3) Reallocation Funds to Orange County Regional Consortium	\$	101,622.00
- RSCCD Employment Training Panel (ETP) Program Income	\$	120,00.00
- Strong Workforce Program – Regional Share	\$	1,618,891.00
- Student Equity and Achievement Program	\$	14,522,011.00
- Umoja Program – 1% Administration Fee	\$	161,030.00

9.2 Approval of First Amendment to Primary Agreements between RSCCD and Coast, North Orange County, and South Orange County Community College Districts for the Strong Workforce Program – Regional Funds Initiative

The board approved the first amendment to primary agreements between RSCCD and Coast, North Orange County, and South Orange County Community College Districts for the Strong Workforce Program – Regional Funds Initiative, as presented.

4.5 Approval of Consent Calendar (cont.)

9.3 Approval of First Amendment to the Subscription and Support Agreement with Point and Click Solutions, Inc.

The board approved the first amendment to the subscription and support agreement with Point and Click Solutions, Inc., as presented.

9.4 Approval of Sub-Agreement between RSCCD and California State University, Long Beach Center for Evaluation and Educational Effectiveness for the Economic and Workforce Development Regional Center of Excellence Initiative

The board approved the sub-agreement between RSCCD and California State University, Long Beach Center for evaluation and educational effectiveness for the Economic and Workforce Development Regional Center of Excellence Initiative, as presented.

9.5 Approval of Sub-Agreement between RSCCD and Community Legal Aid SoCal for the California Apprenticeship Initiative New and Innovative Grant Program

The board approved the sub-agreement between RSCCD and Community Legal Aid SoCal for the California Apprenticeship Initiative New and Innovative Grant Program, as presented.

9.6 Approval of Purchase Agreement with Economic Modeling, LLC (dba "Lightcast") for Lightcast's Alumni Pathways Research Module Subscription

The board approved the purchase agreement with Economic Modeling, LLC (dba "Lightcast") for Lightcast's Alumni Pathways Research Module subscription, as presented.

9.7 Adoption of Resolution No. 24-25 Authorizing a Contractual Agreement with California Department of Social Services for the General Child Care and Development Program (CCTR) and designating the District's Authorized Signers for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

The board approved to adopt Resolution No. 24-25 authorizing a contractual agreement with the California Department of Social Services for the General Child Care and Development Program (CCTR) and designating the District's authorized signers for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, as presented.

9.8 Adoption of Resolution No. 24-26 Authorizing a Contractual Agreement with California Department of Education for the California State Preschool Program (CSPP) and Designating the District's Authorized Signers for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

The board approved to adopt Resolution No. 24-26 authorizing a contractual agreement with the California Department of Education for the California State Preschool Program (CSPP) and designating the District's authorized signers for fiscal year 2025-2026, as presented.

4.5 Approval of Consent Calendar (cont.)

10.1 Human Resources Management/Academic Docket

The board approved the Human Resources management/academic docket as presented.

10.2 Human Resources Classified Docket

The board approved the Human Resources classified docket as presented.

5.0 SANTIAGO CANYON COLLEGE RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Santiago Canyon College Faculty of the Year Recognition

The board recognized Dr. Dora Elena Escobar for being selected as Santiago Canyon College Faculty of the Year.

5.2 Recognition of New Faculty - Santiago Canyon College

Dr. Jeannie Kim introduced the following new faculty from Santiago Canyon College:

Counseling - Amanda Campbell

Counseling - Macey Lachman

Counseling - Allison Maricic

DSPS - Catherine Hoang

Ethnic Studies - Ana Barba

English - Frank Alanis

English - Toren Wallace

Music - Eleanor Nunez-Mason

Mathematics - Duy Tran

Computer Science - Kimberly Chopp

Older Adult Program - Amanda Paiz

5.3 Santiago Canyon College Apprenticeship Program

Ms. Elizabeth Arteaga, Dean of Apprenticeship, Ms. Danielle Alarid, Interim Director of Apprenticeship and Ms. Allison Maricic, Counselor/Coordinator for Apprenticeship, provided a presentation regarding SCC's Apprenticeship Program. Board members received clarification on information related to the presentation.

5.4 Santiago Canyon College HSI STEM Grant

Mr. Martin Stringer, Dean, Math & Science and Ms. Vanessa Jones, Tenured Math Instructor, provided a presentation regarding SCC's HSI STEM Grant. Board members received clarification on information related to the presentation.

6.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND ORAL REPORTS

6.1 Report from Student Trustee

Mr. Alcaraz provided a report to the board.

6.2 Reports from Student Presidents

Ms. Flo Cudal, ASG Student President, Santiago Canyon College, provided a report to the board.

Ms. Jessica Velez, ASG Student President, Santa Ana College. provided a report to the board via Zoom.

6.3 Reports from Academic Senate Presidents

The following academic senate representatives provided reports to the board:

Ms. Tara Kubicka-Miller, Academic Senate President, Santiago Canyon College

Ms. Claire Coyne, Academic Senate President, Santa Ana College

6.4 Report from Board President

Mr. Tinajero thanked the District for supporting the Hispanic 100 Foundation.

6.5 Board Member Comments

Mr. Hanna attended the Orange Unified Public Schools Foundation's Celebration of Schools event on October 9, 2024.

Mr. Yarbrough thanked SCC staff and students for the reception and gifts.

Mr. Yarbrough shared his thoughts regarding being removed as chairperson of the Board Fiscal & Audit Committee and his request for items to be added to the agenda not approved.

Ms. Tong thanked SCC staff and students for the reception and gifts.

Ms. Tong congratulated all SCC faculty who were recognized during the board meeting.

6.5 Board Member Comments (cont.)

Ms. Tong congratulated both colleges for their community outreach efforts.

Dr. Arias Miller thanked SCC staff and students for the reception and gifts.

Dr. Arias Miller attended the Orange Unified Public Schools Foundation's Celebration of Schools event on October 9, 2024.

Dr. Arias Miller will be attending the Native American Heritage Celebration being hosted at SAC on October 30, 2024.

Dr. Arias Miller congratulated faculty from both the apprenticeship program and the HIS STEM program.

Dr. Arias Miller congratulated SCC faculty who were recognized during the board meeting.

Mr. Hernandez commented on the comments made by Mr. Yarbrough.

6.6 Reports from Chancellor

Mr. Marvin Martinez, Chancellor, provided a report to the board.

6.7 Report from College President

The following college representative provided a report to the board:

Dr. Jeannie Kim, President, Santiago Canyon College

6.8 Report from Board Facilities Committee Chairperson

Mr. Yarbrough provided a report on the October 5, 2024 Board Facilities Committee meeting.

7.0 INSTRUCTION

All items were approved as part of Item 4.5 (Approval of Consent Calendar)

8.0 BUSINESS SERVICES

Items 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8 were approved as part of Item 4.5 (Approval of Consent Calendar)

8.9 Student Parking Fees Proposal

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez and seconded by Mr. Alcaraz to amend the recommended action and postpone this item for a future meeting and allow administration to gather additional information and feedback from the Associated Student Government representatives at both colleges. Discussion ensued. The motion failed with the following vote: Aye – Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez, Ms. Tong. Nay – Dr. Arias Miller, Mr. Crockett, Mr. Tinajero and Mr. Yarbrough. Student Trustee Alcaraz’s advisory vote was aye.

It was moved by Mr. Tinajero and seconded by Mr. Crockett to approve the student parking fee increase as presented. Discussion ensued. The motion failed with the following vote: Aye – Mr. Crockett and Mr. Tinajero. Nay – Dr. Arias Miller, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez, Ms. Tong and Mr. Yarbrough. Student Trustee Alcaraz’s advisory vote was nay.

9.0 GENERAL

Items 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7, 9.8 were approved as part of Item 4.5 (Approval of Consent Calendar)

9.9 Discussion on Board Legal Counsel

Board members discussed the option for a board legal counsel.

10.0 HUMAN RESOURCES

All items were approved as part of Item 4.5 (Approval of Consent Calendar)

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on October 28, 2024, at Santa Ana College. There being no further business, Mr. Tinajero adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin Martinez, Chancellor

Approved: _____
Clerk of the Board

Minutes approved: October 28, 2024

My efforts to investigate the misappropriation of public funds within our district and seek clarification from staff have been consistently obstructed, leading to retaliation against me.

The Board President has repeatedly refused to place on the board docket an action item to address the misappropriation of public funds as it relates to the ASCIP refund account, which was held without the board's authority or knowledge. For the past three meetings, he has declined to allow this issue to be discussed.

This morning, in violation of BP 2220, which states that committee members shall serve until they complete their assignments, Board President Tinajero removed me from my position as Chair of the Fiscal and Audit Committee. This action comes despite his prior statement on Wednesday that the allegation of my Brown Act violation had been resolved with no further action required. He now claims that I violated the Brown Act and has imposed removal from the Fiscal and Audit Committee as punishment. This unilateral decision violates BP 2715, and I was denied the due process guaranteed to me under that policy.

As an elected official, I have a duty to ensure transparency and accountability, as required by BP 2200 to assure the district's fiscal health and stability. Although my efforts to investigate this matter and question staff have been continually obstructed, I remain committed to pursuing transparency and accountability on this issue. It is my duty, my commitment, and my responsibility to the public I serve.