

RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (RSCCD)
Board of Trustees (Special meeting) Hybrid
Rancho Santiago Community College District
2323 North Broadway
Santa Ana, California

Monday, August 10, 2026

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Mr. Phillip Yarbrough. Other members present were: Dr. Tina Arias Miller, Mr. David Crockett, Mr. John Hanna, and Ms. Daisy Tong. Mr. Zeke Hernandez and Ms. Cecilia Iglesias arrived at the noted time.

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

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Phillip Yarbrough, RSCCD Board President.

1.3 Public Comment

Ms. Madeline Grant spoke regarding FARSCCD and concerns regarding Item 4.1 (Consideration of Recommendation Pursuant to Board Policy 2715 – Temporary Suspension of the Board President from Board Officer Positions Pending Completion of Independent Investigations). Mr. Sammy Rodriguez, Mr. Albert Castillo, Mr. Morrie Barembaum and Mr. Barry Resnick spoke regarding Item 4.1. Mr. Robert Stucken spoke on behalf of Mr. Orlando Hernandez regarding an affiliation agreement with Liberty University.

Ms. Iglesias arrived at this time.

2.0 RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The board convened to closed session at 6:06 p.m. to consider the following items:

- 2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2): (1 case)

Facts and circumstances: Receipt of a written claim alleging discrimination, harassment, and due process violations arising from employment and governance-related matters and other related issues.

Mr. Yarbrough and Ms. Iglesias did not participate in closed session.

Mr. Hernandez arrived at this time and did not participate in closed session.

3.0 RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

The board reconvened at 7:52 p.m.

3.1 Closed Session Report

At this time, Dr. Arias Miller read the following statement:

*“The board met in closed session this evening with legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation and related matters in connection with that discussion, the board authorized the following statement:
Based on the information presently before it, the board has not found any district employee engaged in fraud, theft, concealment, or misappropriation of district funds. No independent audit or review that was presented to the board has found such wrongdoing, rather, the information presented to the board reflects that the ASCIP funds were accounted for and ultimately used for district purposes through board-approved actions. The board is also aware of differing views concerning the historical accounting and reporting of the ASCIP funds. Questions regarding accounting or reporting treatment should not be characterized as findings of fraud, theft, concealment, or misappropriation, where no such findings have been made. In fact, the funds, while under ASCIP control, earned interest for many years. Prior boards had also made numerous decisions in public concerning these funds. The funds are now under the district's direct control, and have been, for several years, now pursuant to actions taken by the current board. The majority of those whose members were never involved in placing the funds with ASCIP in the first place. An independent investigator is reviewing related allegations regarding the issues mentioned until that process is complete. The Board remains committed to due process and accurate public record, and decisions based upon verified facts rather than allegations or speculations”.*

Mr. Crockett reported that during closed session the board discussed anticipated litigation significant exposure with no reportable action.

4.0 PUBLIC SESSION

4.1 Consideration of Recommendation Pursuant to Board Policy 2715 – Temporary Suspension of the Board President from Board Officer Positions Pending Completion of Independent Investigations

It was moved by Dr. Arias Miller and seconded by Mr. Crockett to approve the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee for temporary suspension of the Board President from board officer positions pending completion of independent investigations. Discussion ensued. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Dr. Arias Miller, Mr. Crockett, Mr. Hanna and Ms. Tong. Nay – Mr. Hernandez, Ms. Iglesias and Mr. Yarbrough.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on September 1, 2026. There being no further business, Dr. Arias Miller declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin Martinez
Chancellor

Approved: _____
Clerk of the Board

Minutes approved: September 1, 2026