



Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board Minutes August 11, 2015

Agenda Review and a Board Retreat of the Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board were scheduled to be held beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the District Support Services Center, 2411 West 14th Street, Tempe, Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

GOVERNING BOARD

Tracy Livingston, President (Absent)
Johanna Haver, Secretary
Doyle Burke, Member
Alfredo Gutierrez, Member
John Heep, Member
Jean McGrath, Member
Dana Saar, Member

ADMINISTRATION (AGENDA REVIEW)

Rufus Glasper
Maria Harper-Marinick
Debra Thompson
LaCoya Shelton-Johnson
Ed Kelty
Steven Gonzales
Linda Lujan
Gene Giovannini
Osaro Ighodaro for Shari Olsen

ADMINISTRATION (RETREAT)

Rufus Glasper
Maria Harper-Marinick
LaCoya Shelton-Johnson
Debra Thompson
Ed Kelty
Lee Combs

AGENDA REVIEW

Agenda Review began at 6:10 p.m. Board Secretary Johanna Haver then took the assembly through the proposed agenda for the August 25, 2015 Regular Board Meeting. Clarification was asked on a few items as they were presented; below are requests made by Board Members for additional information.

CONSENT AGENDA

- **ITEM 13.3 APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AWARD FOR THE TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM AT GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
 - Is this grant ongoing? (Yes, colleges need to apply every year for more funding.)
- **ITEM 13.8 APPROVAL OF CARL D. PERKINS IV BASIC GRANT FOR FY16 FEDERAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FUNDING**
 - How does this compare to the last few years in terms of budget allocation? (The allocation is within \$100,000 of previous years' awards.)
 - Travel costs are high, who is traveling and why? (Travel is related to professional growth for the teaching faculty.)
- **ITEM 13.9 APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN FIRST THINGS FIRST AND RIO SALADO COLLEGE**
 - This grant is not to provide child care, right? (Correct, it is for training and development for those who provide child care.)
 - Who/what is First Things First? (They are a non-profit organization in Arizona funded by tobacco taxes and they use the money to provide grants to agencies in the state and specific to early childhood education in Arizona.)
- **ITEM 14.2 APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN GATEWAY**

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- What is wet lab space? (ASU renting space left behind when Biological Sciences moved to a new building; wet labs are designed for chemical (liquid-based) experiments.)
- Is there more room for ASU to use? (There is additional 2,500 sq. ft. that may be used; ASU also asked for 12 classrooms for their English Language Learners; GWCC is a go-to destination for ASU because of its proximity to ASU Main and Downtown campuses.)
- **ITEM 14.3 APPROVAL OF SIMULATION LABORATORY AGREEMENT BETWEEN GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND RESPIRONICS, INC. (PHILIPS) FOR ACCESS TO RESPIRATORY THERAPY LABORATORY AND ASSOCIATED SIMULATION EQUIPMENT**
 - Does this revenue go back to the college or in to District budgets? (It goes into the college's auxiliary budget to use as seed money to grow existing allied health programs.)
- **ITEM 14.4 APPROVAL OF LEASE OF 621 BUILDING AT RIO DOWNTOWN TO SOUTHWEST SCHOOL OF WOODWORKING, LLC**
 - Which building is this? (It's the building at Rio's 7th Avenue location, the northernmost building on the site. It has been sitting vacant since Rio moved into a new facility.)
- **ITEM 14.7 APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR SELECTION FOR THE SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES BUILDING REMODEL AND EXPANSION PROJECT AT SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
 - Are copies of bids included? (No, this was an RFP.)

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

- **ITEM 15.1 APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR JOINT USAGE AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HOPE COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS HIGH SCHOOL ON THE CAMPUS OF SOUTH MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
 - How many students are expected? (Opening with 400; maximum capacity will be 800 in 9-12th grade.)
 - Given the disaster that befell plans to take over a Glendale YMCA, has the group met with community to let them know the charter school is coming? (After the Glendale community pushed back against the YMCA move, they began looking at the South Mountain area. Population of disconnected youth is 1/3 (vs. 1/7 in Glendale). They held three listening session with the South Mountain community. They reached out to community organizations and have not received any negative comments on their efforts. The Boar Chair spoke on KTAR, Channel 5 News and people have been very supportive. Several articles have also come out about the school in a local paper.)
 - Has the Board reached out to the Salvation Army? (They are keeping them informed but they are not a partner.)
- **ITEM 16.2 APPROVAL OF CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL FOR VETERANS SERVICES CENTER REMODELING AND EXPANSION AT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
 - Does this really breakdown to \$300 sq. ft.? (A copy of the budget with all factors will be provided to the Board.)
- **ITEM 16.3 APPROVAL OF SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8705 EAST MCDOWELL ROAD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
 - When was this appraised on for what value? (March 2015, \$2.9 million)

INFORMATION ITEMS

- **ITEM 17.1 REVIEW OF EMPLOYMENTS (REGULAR, SHORT-TERM, AND SPECIALLY FUNDED) (JUNE) AND 17.2 REVIEW OF EMPLOYMENTS (REGULAR, SHORT-TERM, AND SPECIALLY FUNDED) (JULY)**
 - Why are new positions being created during a budget crisis?
(Information will be provided to the Board on the new positions.)

DISCUSSION The agenda item *Governor's Office for Children—Substance Abuse Recovery Program for College Students* was removed from the agenda for discussion at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT Agenda Review was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER The Board Retreat was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD SELF-EVALUATION Secretary Haver turned the meeting over the Manager of Governance, Ms. Teresa Toney. Ms. Toney provided detail on the sections of the existing Board Self-Evaluation tool and noted the questions were consistent with ACCT recommendations regarding self-evaluations for Boards. Five responses were provided by this date and the data compilation will be shared with the Board once the final two responses have been tallied.

The Board self-evaluation is a time for Board members to check-up on how the Board is doing as a group and to look for opportunities to improve in how it governs, interacts with constituents, and engage more effectively with the Chancellor (CEO). Ms. Toney asked Board members to share the greatest strengths of the Board. Board members responded with 'diversity' as the 5-member Board recently expanded to a 7-member Board comprised of individuals with a variety of experience and backgrounds. Ms. Toney then asked for new Board member observations. Members remarked that the veteran Board members have set a high standard and shared their expertise very respectfully with new members. Ms. Toney then asked how the individual Board members, Chancellor, and staff help the Board to improve. Board members remarked that individual Board members tend to focus on their own special interests and need to be encouraged to be interested in all aspects of the job. Another Board member recommended attendance at the annual ASBA Law Conference as the event provides insight on new laws and their ramifications. The next conference is 9/10-11/15 in Scottsdale.

Ms. Toney remarked that it is important for the Board to engage in self-reflection and work together to attain its goals. Encourage respectful participation even when members disagree. She asked if there were any areas of concern regarding Board operations or Board policy making that should be addressed in the coming months. No issues were brought forward. Ms. Toney asked for any final thoughts. Board members remarked the one-on-one sessions with the Chancellor were highly valuable, offering an opportunity to exchange ideas and address questions, taking away any mystery.

Dr. Glasper noted that the survey tool provided summative questions and asked if Ms. Toney recommended a follow-up. Ms. Toney replied once the summary is collected, the Board should go through the tool and focus on questions that were graded as 'below average' or lower and discuss to address the issue. This could be accomplished during regularly scheduled Policy Committee Meeting dates.

ADJOURNMENT The Retreat was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.