



Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board Minutes February 26, 2013

An executive session and regular meeting of the Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board were scheduled to be held at 5:30 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.

PRESENT

GOVERNING BOARD

- Doyle Burke, President
- Dana Saar, Secretary
- Randolph Lumm, Member
- Ben Miranda, Member
- Debra Pearson, Member (Absent)

ADMINISTRATION

Rufus Glasper
Maria Harper-Marinick
Debra Thompson
Nikki Jackson
Steve Helfgot
Lee Combs
Linda Lujan
Ernie Lara
Gene Giovannini
Irene Kovala
Shouan Pan
Paul Dale
Anna Solley
Chris Bustamante
Jan Gehler
Shari Olson

EXECUTIVE SESSION	The Executive Session was called to order at 5:30 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER	The regular board meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The assembly pledged allegiance to the United States of America led by Governing Board Member Randolph Lumm.
CLASS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	There were no classes present.
SUBSTITUTIONS	There were no substitutions for members of the CEC.
STUDENT LIFE REPORTS	Members of student government from Chandler-Gilbert Community College (CGCC) presented next. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Kolton Orcutt, President• Ms. Bianca Moncada, Vice President• Ms. Miranda Leung, Secretary• Mr. Josh Terrell, Public Relations Commissioner• Ms. Peyton Orcutt, Campus Events Commissioner• Ms. Hayley Vellutini, Publicity Commissioner

Mr. Kolton Orcutt, president of the Associated Students of CGCC (ASCGCC) student government, thanked the Board for its time. He then asked his fellow student government representatives to introduce themselves.

Mr. Orcutt then spoke about the events and plans of the ASCGCC. He said that any students involved in student life or student government are included in the meetings. They have one meeting each week with club representatives along with student government officers. They also invite special guests, such as the President of the

College who met with the group recently. They have many clubs on campus including: Asian and Pacific Islander, Black Student Union, Creative Writing, Engineering, Hand Enriching Life Program, Humanitarian and Environmental Action Team, Hispanic Student Organization, Inter-cultural Exchange, Kairos, Latter-Day Saints Student Association, One Voice, Phi Theta Kappa, Psychology, Sigma Delta Mu, Teachers of Tomorrow, and Veterans Student Organization.

Mr. Orcutt said that the ASCGCC was recently reinstated after a brief hiatus. They have had several events since reinstatement including a car wash, gift wrapping, and a chill n' grill. They had a "Brave Family Movie Night" and had over 600 participants. They have participated in their traditional Adopt-a-Family and had a car wash and hot chocolate sales and they raised approximately \$800. The Chill n' Grill was held to get students involved in Student Life. Recently they have begun having a Game Night which they hope becomes a tradition. The first game night featured Family Feud. Since this is the first year back for the ASCGCC, it is a foundational year and they are recruiting new officers for next year to ensure that student government continues to move forward smoothly. They are working with President Lujan to get students involved in events on campus and working on new student orientations to help students join the community college family. The more students feel like they belong on the campus, the more they will succeed. They are planning an End of Year Banquet and hope to announce the new central leadership at the event.

Mr. Lumm commented that he liked their black ASCGCC shirts and thanked the students for their presentation. President Burke thanked the students for their commitment and work with other students.

EMERITUS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

President Burke called forward the college presidents who would be presenting Faculty Emeritus awards for the evening.

Dr. Jan Gehler, President of Scottsdale Community College (SCC), presented an Emeritus award to Ms. Beth Ells. Dr. Gehler commented that Ms. Ells has served as Art Department Faculty at SCC, both as adjunct and residential faculty, for 34 years. She began teaching Art History, adding Photography and Humanities when she became full-time in 1982. Ms. Ells is the original art faculty on the team-taught HUM250/251 course, teaching it for 19 years. In her pursuit of excellence she was part of the first cohort to complete the Instructional Skills Workshop in March 1991, elevating the photography program to among the best in MCCC. In evidence of her mastery in teaching a generous donation in 2001 established the Bethel E. Ells Scholarship. For over 10 years, Ms. Ells was the Art Department chair, both day and evening, and for the last eight years she has served as Chair of the Division of Fine Arts. In all her leadership roles she decisively and objectively managed personal matters. She has represented the Art Department on Faculty Senate and served as treasurer; she also led five European International Education Abroad trips. Last, but certainly not least, for 11 years, Ms. Ells has gladly played second to the Canine Companions for Independence service puppies in training she's brought to the college, producing smiles wherever she went.

Ms. Ells thanked the Board and assembly and remarked that it has been her privilege to work at SCC and with the MCCC.

Dr. Shouan Pan, President of Mesa Community College (MCC), declined to present an Emeritus award in honor of Dr. Mary Al-Saleh as she was not able to attend.

Dr. Anna Solley, President of Phoenix College (PC), presented an Emeritus award to Dr. Camilla A.H. Westenberg. Dr. Westenberg was born in Arkansas where she received her education in the public school system. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education and English from the University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff, formerly known as Arkansas A.M. & N. College. Her Master of Arts degree is in Communication, focusing on code switching from the Black dialect to Standard English from Arizona

State University, and her Doctor of Education is in Higher Education, focusing on Curriculum Development from Nova University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She has also received her certification as a Development Education Specialist from the Kellogg Institute, Center for Developmental Education at Appalachian State University. Dr. Westenberg is a tenured professor at Phoenix College where for a number of years she advocated for and coordinated Developmental English. She teaches various English classes, African American Literature, and a class which she created -- Rap Literature: The Oral Tradition. Along these lines, she has participated on the roundtable title "Know-the-ledge: Hip Hop Scholarship Meets Hip Hop Media," at Stanford University sponsored by The Hip Hop Archives of Harvard University and has been a panelist for the community preview and discussion of the film "Hip-Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes." In addition, she has coordinated numerous related community forums and given numerous presentations. Presentation titles have included "Understanding Hip Hop Culture: A New Legacy in the Black Cultural Experience." Recently, she presented a workshop titled "Hip Hop in Arizona: A Contemporary Archeological Dig" for the Arizona Hip Hop Experience presented by the Arizona Humanities Council, and she presented at the Rhyme and Reason Conference in Cape Coast, Ghana, and the WAPI Festival at the British Council in Accra, Ghana and most recently in Ethiopia. Dr. Westenberg is advisor for the Phoenix College NAACP/Black Student Union, one of three SASS advisors for the Phoenix College football team, and faculty advisor for the campus African-American Alumni Association. She also has numerous civic and community affiliations. She has been co-chair of the annual Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.-Delta Beta Omega Chapter for which she chairs the HBCU Fair Committee and is Graduate Advisor of its undergraduate chapter Zeta Alpha at Arizona State University. She is also a member of the Phoenix College Links, having acted as the chair of the Educational Linkage Committee and currently the Arts Committee, a member of the Maricopa Council of Black American Affairs, the Maricopa NAACP, and the National Pan Hellenic Council-Metropolitan Phoenix Chapter. Dr. Westenberg has received numerous awards, among which are the Maricopa County NAACP Image Award, the City of Phoenix MLK Living the Dream Award, The George Washington Carver Museum Community Service Award, the Phoenix College Alumni Association Faculty Award, the Phoenix College Woman of Distinction Award, and several NISOD Awards. Most recently she received the Southwest Urban Music Life Time Achievement Award and has become a member of the Board of Directors for the West Valley Arts Council. Her most proud achievement is that of her and her late husband's Dr. Irwin Simon Westenberg's successful parenting, development, and education of their daughter, Erica Lucinda Westenberg, Esq.

Dr. Westenberg remarked it has been a blessing for her to work in the MCCC. Every day she has felt privileged to drive down the I-17 to Phoenix College to see the students. She said that the students had in many ways given more to her than she had given to them. She said she will be more community than Maricopa in the future but that does not mean she is taking a rocking chair! She thanked the assembly for their well wishes.

Dr. Irene Kovala, President of Glendale Community College (GCC), presented an Emeritus award on behalf of Dr. Irwin S. "Wes" Westenberg. Dr. Irwin S. "Wes" Westenberg's contribution to students and faculty within the Maricopa County Community College District warrants the distinction of emeritus status upon his death, February 7, 2000, as a dedicated faculty member in the Psychology Department at Glendale Community College. He served for 16 years, five months, and 21 days at GCC as a dedicated and well known psychology instructor. In 1983, when Dr. I.S. (Wes) Westenberg and his internationally-known Westenberg-Long-Evans strain of laboratory rats joined the Glendale Community College Psychology Department, tradition of student-generated, non-invasive behavioral research began at the college. Stimulation of Dr. Westenberg's intellectual curiosity, his wealth of broad-based scientific knowledge, and a constant admonishment to "show me the data," coupled with a

mantra of "simplicity, precision, and control," has culminated in a steady stream of student-given, animal-model research presentations at conventions of both the Western Psychology Association and the American Psychological Association during his tenure and continuing after his death by department faculty.

Dr. Camilla Westenberg remarked, on behalf of her daughter and herself, she truly appreciated the recognition of her late husband. He loved his rats! This award means everything to her and her daughter. His work was an integral part of his life, and he dedicated his research to the study of Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s. She thanked the Board and assembly for the recognition.

President Burke then announced that the Chancellor, Dr. Rufus Glasper, had recently been awarded the Arizona Society of CPA Legends and Leaders award. He then said that Chancellor Glasper’s name is nearly synonymous with education in Arizona; he has been with the Maricopa County Community College District for 25 years, which is one of the nation’s largest multi-college community college systems. His mantra, “inclusiveness, engagement, and respect” speaks volumes about this extraordinary CPA. His list of volunteer roles, community and board service, and awards are numerous. He is a true leader intent on changing the world. President Burke congratulated the Chancellor on his award.

CITIZEN’S INTERIM

There were no reports.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

President Burke requested a motion to approve the Order of the Agenda.

MOTION

Motion 10017

Board Member Dana Saar made a motion of approval of the Order of the Agenda. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion approved 4-0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

President Burke asked if any Board Member wished to remove any action items. No items were removed.

The following items were included in the Consent Agenda:

A1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2013 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND THE FEBRUARY 5, 2013 WORK SESSION

B1. APPROVAL OF FACULTY EMERITUS DISTINCTION--SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve recommendation for Beth Ells, Art Faculty at Scottsdale Community College to receive Emeritus Status with the Maricopa County Community College District.

B2. APPROVAL OF FACULTY EMERITUS DISTINCTION--MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve recommendation that the Governing Board award Emeritus Distinction to Dr. Mary Al-Saleh for her meritorious contributions to the students of the Maricopa County Community College District.

B3. APPROVAL OF FACULTY EMERITUS DISTINCTION--PHOENIX COLLEGE—approve recommendation for Dr. Camilla A. H. Westenberg, English Faculty at Phoenix College to receive Emeritus Distinction with the Maricopa County Community College District.

B4. APPROVAL OF FACULTY EMERITUS DISTINCTION—GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve recommendation for Dr. Irwin S. Westenberg, Psychology Faculty at Glendale Community College to receive Emeritus Distinction with the Maricopa County Community College District.

C1. CONSIDERATION OF EMPLOYMENTS—approve the personnel actions as proposed. Budget approvals have been granted and are on file for the recommended personnel actions in this item.

C2. CONSIDERATION OF SPECIALLY FUNDED EMPLOYMENTS—approve the personnel actions as proposed. Budget approvals have been granted and are on file for the recommended personnel actions in this item.

C3. CONSIDERATION OF SHORT TERM EMPLOYMENTS—approve the personnel actions as proposed. Budget approvals have been granted and are on file for the recommended personnel actions in this item.

C4. CONSIDERATION OF SEPARATIONS—approve the personnel actions as proposed.

D1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CURRICULUM—the curriculum proposals have been processed through all procedures established by the Maricopa County Community College District; it is recommended that the proposals be approved as submitted.

D2. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CURRICULUM—ACADEMIC DEGREES AND POLICIES--approve the updates to Maricopa's academic degrees, general education requirements, and related policies for academic year 2013-2014.

D3. APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAVE CREEK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PARADISE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between Cave Creek Unified School District and Paradise Valley Community College to offer the Nurse Assistant and Emergency Medical Technician Programs onsite at Cactus Shadows High School through concurrent enrollment for high school seniors beginning with the 2013-2014 academic year. The high school will provide the space and the college will provide instructors, lab supplies, and equipment.

D4. APPROVAL OF MCTP: MATHEMATICS MENTORING PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT—accept a Mentoring Students Through Critical Transition Points grant award in the amount of \$344,675 (\$1,099,809 for the who project with ASU) for a five-year project from the National Science Foundation. The NSF MCTP: Mathematics Mentoring Partnership between Arizona State University and the Maricopa County Community College District project will commence in the Spring of 2013 and end in 2018.

E1. APPROVAL OF A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ARIZONA CAREER PATHWAYS AND GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve a License Agreement between *Arizona Career Pathways (ACP)* and GateWay Community College (GWCC). Actual date of use was December 18, 2012. Therefore, recommend approval to be retroactive.

E2. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER TO 29 BELL LLC FOR TENANT IMPROVEMENTS AT THE NORTHWEST CAMPUS OF THE MARICOPA SKILL CENTER—approve a change order in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to *29 Bell LLC* for Tenant Improvement Expenditures for the Northwest campus of the Maricopa Skill Center.

MOTION

Motion 10018

President Burke asked for approval of the Consent Agenda. Board Member Lumm moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Board Member Saar seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.A.1 APPROVAL OF THE AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEMS CONTRACT AWARD FOR KRANITZ STUDENT CENTER REMODEL AT PARADISE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve a contract award in the amount of \$273,990.99, plus taxes, to *Technology Providers Inc.* for audio visual system installation for the Kranitz Student Center remodel at Paradise Valley Community College.

MOTION**Motion 10019**

Governing Board Member Saar moved for approval of Action Item V.A.1. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.A.2 APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT AWARD FOR INITIAL, PARTIAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE COYOTE CENTER AT CHANDLER-GILBERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve the initial construction contract award for a partial Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) in the amount not to exceed \$4,775,450.00 to *Sundt Construction, Inc.* for the site work, underground utilities, and the early procurement of long lead time materials for the Coyote Center at Chandler-Gilbert Community College. This is the first of two anticipated GMP awards to *Sundt Construction* for the construction project.

MOTION**Motion 10020**

Governing Board Member Ben Miranda moved for approval of Action Item V.A.2. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.A.3 APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE INITIAL, PARTIAL REMODELING OF THE 3700 NORTH 3RD AVENUE NURSING BUILDING OF PHOENIX COLLEGE—approve the initial construction contract award for a partial Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) in an amount not to exceed \$1,221,306.00 to *RYAN Companies US, Inc.* for the site work, underground utilities, interior demolition, and structural modifications for the remodeling of the 3700 North 3rd Avenue Nursing Building for Phoenix College. This is the first of two anticipated GMP awards to *RYAN Construction* for the construction of this project.

MOTION**Motion 10021**

Governing Board Member Saar moved for approval of Action Item V.A.3. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.A.4 APPROVAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD FOR CONSTRUCTION AND REMODELING OF THE NEW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER/HARKINS THEATER AT MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) construction contract award for \$9,287,023.00 to *Layton Construction Company* for the construction of the new performing arts center and remodeling of the existing Harkins Theater building at Mesa Community College.

MOTION**Motion 10022**

Governing Board Member Miranda moved for approval of Action Item V.A.4. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.A.5 APPROVAL OF AUDIO VISUAL SYSTEMS CONTRACT AWARD FOR ESTRELLA HALL EXPANSION AND REMODEL AT ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve a contract award in the amount of \$531,086.97, plus taxes, to *Digital Video*

Networks, Inc. for audio-visual system installation for the Estrella Hall expansion and remodel at Estrella Mountain Community College.

MOTION

Motion 10023

Governing Board Member Lumm moved for approval of Action Item V.A.5. Board Member Saar seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.B.1 APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEARS 2013-2014 HEALTHCARE FUNDING—approve EBAC's recommendation for the implementation of the Flex Credit Benefit Proposal to be effective July 1, 2013.

MOTION

Motion 10024

Governing Board Member Saar moved for approval of Action Item V.B.1. Board Member Lumm seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.B.2 APPROVAL OF PROPOSED STAFF POLICY MANUAL—repeal the existing All Employee Manual and adopt the proposed consolidated *Staff Policy Manual*, with an effective date of May 1, 2013. The employee group manuals were carefully analyzed so that common policies could be rewritten for greater clarity of language and compiled into the proposed *Staff Policy Manual* in order to provide a single source of clearly stated information. It is also recommended that the Governing Board extend the existing policy manuals that are presently in force for Craft, M&O, MAT, PSA, Public Safety, and Specially Funded until May 1, 2013.

MOTION

Motion 10025

Governing Board Member Lumm moved for approval of Action Item V.B.2. Board Member Saar seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

V.C.1. APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ENTERPRISE CONTENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DOCUMENT IMAGING) SEAMLESS STUDENT EXPERIENCE—approve the award of a five-year contract with *Hyland Software, Inc.* for \$5,486,852 to provide an Enterprise Content Management (Document Imaging) System (ECMS), based on the reasons contained in the determination of the Acting Chief Procurement Officer. It is further recommended that the award authorization specifically preclude MCCCCD staff from signing contract documents or beginning contract performance until the Governing Board has made a final decision on all appeals relating to this award. In acting on this determination and recommendation, the Governing Board does not consider or take any position on the merits of *Perceptive's* pending appeal or any future appeal(s).

MOTION

Motion 10026

Governing Board Member Saar moved for approval of Action Item V.C.1. Board Member Miranda seconded.

Motion was approved 4-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Discussion of both items is detailed below.

VI.A PROPOSED FEE CHANGES FISCAL YEARS 2013-2014 BUDGET—review the varied fee changes detailed on the attached submitted as an information item. Course Fee changes will be submitted for final approval at the March 26 Governing Board meeting.

These changes related to course fees at several colleges across the district, detailed by college.

VI.B PROPOSED TUITION & FEES FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 BUDGET—review the budget recommendations made through the District's budget development process. The main proposed change is to increase the County Resident Tuition Rate by \$5 per credit hour, from \$76 to \$81, or \$2,430 for a student taking 30 credit hours per year for a total increase of \$150.00 for full time students. This would be the first increase in this rate since FY11-12 and the second increase in the rate since FY08-09. At the proposed new tuition rate, Maricopa still maintains a tuition rate below the national average.

Chancellor Glasper asked the Board to pull three items from the Chancellor's Report as ancillary information (pertaining to budget requests) to the Budget Briefing. President Burke agreed and the items were moved and are noted below.

Governing Board Budget Briefing

Ms. Debra Thompson, Vice Chancellor for Business Services, remarked to the Board that tonight was the first of four items pertaining to the Fiscal Years 2013-2014 (FY13) on tuition and fees. Tonight they would be sharing historical information on how the budget has evolved and also talking about the proposal on property taxes. In March, Business Services will be asking the Board to adopt tuition and fees and will present the proposed FY13 as an information item. From the point of that presentation, the proposed budget may be decreased but it cannot be increased. She asked the Board publish the information as needed to comply with Truth in Taxation purposes set by state law. She said FY13 is quite an ambitious budget, funding mandatory increases and focusing resources on strategic initiatives the District has been planning over the past few years. In order to fund these initiatives, they are recommending a \$5/credit hour increase in tuition and a 2% increase in property taxes, as are allowed by statute.

During the past two years, the District has attempted to limit revenue increases and have lost \$50M in state aid. In order to manage that, District cut budgets. Looking forward to key initiatives that will improve MCCC'D's ability to meet student needs and improve student success, financial challenges will be managed. The increases are being asked for to support MCCC'D's plans to make meaningful improvements in support of student success. She then introduced Ms. Gaye Murphy, Associate Vice Chancellor for Business Services.

Ms. Murphy presented the following regarding financial planning for the District. She said when the recession hit, the District was fiscally conservative to begin with and had a 15-year plan already in place based on past history. MCCC'D had to come up with new plans to help offset state cuts, changing needs, etc. Revenue increases, while small were seen. Declining assessed valuation affected MCCC'D but new construction is starting to return to the Valley. Next month, Business Services will be bringing the Board a plan for next year for General (day-to-day operations, salary, supplies, utilities), Auxiliary (revenues generated by fees), Restricted (grants and federal funding), and Plant (large scale capital maintenance largely support by bond proceeds) funds. MCCC'D is looking at a real change in the way that it funds its General operating fund. When she started at MCCC'D, there was a plan that support for the colleges would come 1/3 from state support, 1/3 from property tax, and 1/3 from tuition. Now, there is more reliance on property tax and tuition, with state support dropping to less than 1%.

The Governing Board will set tuition next month. The Governing Board also sets property taxes according to constitutional limits in state statute. MCCC'D does not know at this time the amount it will receive from the Salt River Project which makes a payment in lieu of property tax. Their Board will approve their in-lieu payments in a couple of weeks and MCCC'D will then know where the final budget numbers will be.

The loss of \$60M in state aid had the biggest impact on MCCC during the recession. Operational funds had to be used for major maintenance, equipment, and other capital needs. Cuts in operation support of \$50M had to occur in response to this. Decline in growth in new construction added to the tax rolls. In 2009, MCCC received \$18M or more and now it is down to \$8M. There has been an increase over the past year, showing a positive sign of economic growth in the Valley. Based on information MCCC just received from the County Assessor's Office, MCCC is down 6.6% from tax assessments—but it is in an upswing. There has been an increase in property values which is a factor in settling property tax levies for next year. Under this example, a homeowner whose house was valued at \$100,000 in 2013 would pay \$115.63. In order to keep the cost the same for FY13, the Governing Board would need to increase the tax rate because the value went down. Although the rate would go up, the value went down so the person would pay roughly the same amount. With a 2% increase, the homeowner who paid \$115.63 last year would pay \$117.94 this year.

Maricopa has traditionally been below the national average for tuition costs. MCCC has seen an increase in tuition growth since 2007 and the Governing Board has increased tuition two times (in 2009 and 2012). Although Business Services is recommending an increase, MCCC will still remain below the national average.

The other impact of the recession was internal cuts over \$35M since 2010. This was a lot to cut and to implement in a short period of time. Classes were taught and students were served, but MCCC can do a better job. There are initiatives under way to improve instructional outcomes but MCCC needs additional resources. Approximately \$8.6M will be available to allocate to new initiatives and mandatory costs.

To help in the decision making process, the Maricopa Advisory Council has made a list of recommendations consisting of mandatory expenditures (for which there are legal or contractual obligations or policy mandates) plus important and strategic mandates. Without new sources of revenue, sufficient needs from construction could be met, but not necessarily the important and strategic mandates. Looking at available resources from new construction there would be \$2M left for other important items. MCCC has Seamless Student Experience (SSE) and Student Success Initiative (SSI) as part of Maricopa's Completion Agenda. SSE will employ best practices in enrollment and financial aid to make them more efficient. SSI will employ mandatory testing, placement, and assessment and increase the number of residential faculty. Both are long-term initiatives (8-10 years) with plans to restructure so that credit hours are taught 60% by residential faculty and 40% by adjunct faculty.

Maricopa took the initial steps to take an armed public safety presence. Chief Longman has made recommendations to increase the number of officers by 50% to ensure better coverage for deterrence and policing. More information on those recommendations will be detailed later.

Maricopa needs to look at need-based scholarships and need-based financial aid to complement efforts of the Maricopa Foundation's scholarship fundraising campaign. Information technology maintains existing systems and will need to make necessary updates and adopt new systems. All four enterprise systems are going to require a major update or replacement in the next two years. The Student Information System (SIS) will need to be upgraded in to the new One Maricopa model. The Human Resource Management System (HRMS) will be impacted by the new classification system. MCCC's accounting system is also out of date and will be unsupported in a couple of years. The needs for funds will be to build the IT department to manage resources and serve communities. Funds will be investments to have adequate numbers of IT staff, manage existing systems, ongoing technological training, and to have staff to research and develop new technologies and new systems. Proposed budgets include employee flex benefits, marketing and public outreach to let citizens know that MCCC are value

added to the community. Costs could also include employee and salary adjustments plus others as devised by the Governing Board. Ms. Murphy concluded her presentation and asked for any questions.

Mr. Lumm asked for clarification about the increase in marketing and public outreach. Were plans to continue as before? Ms. Thompson replied that there were plans to create new approaches and new campaigns building on what MCCCDC already does along with plans to increase collaboration.

Mr. Miranda asked what the employee flex benefits addressed. Ms. Murphy responded that this expense was increased over the prior year's amounts in response to costs of health care increases.

Mr. Miranda asked what the effects of sequestration might be to MCCCDC's budget. Ms. Thompson replied that there was nothing received the specifically target the MCCCDC but she would investigate and get back to the Board. Mr. Lumm remarked that cuts to grants and PEL would be hit. Mr. Miranda asked if other grants would be affected. Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, replied that anything from the National Science Foundation (NSF) would be negatively impacted but no specifics were available yet.

Mr. Lumm remarked he would like to see the numbers for public safety and student success reversed. Ms. Thompson replied that it would be a good time to segue way into Chief Mikel Longman's presentation.

Dr. Glasper remarked that MCCCDC is trying to be more effective and efficient in what it does and address student success. MCCCDC is trying to use existing resources. It is creating a new infrastructure that will require additional resources, especially in areas under SSE, because MCCCDC will be doing business differently. They will be bringing to the Board ideas for innovative changes that will need to be supported. He said he had directed Dr. Harper-Marinick to reallocate existing resources within the new plans. He believes these plans support the Board's Completion Agenda.

Review of Public Safety Update / Recommendations

Chief Mikel Longman, District Public Safety Chief, presented on staffing consideration and recommendations. He said there has been empirical research on what staff levels should be for collegiate public safety. The collegiate realm findings from the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA) looked at higher education policing throughout the nation and have made several recommendations. Several factors affect staffing needs (residential students, crime rates, etc.) so there is no one best measurement. Most research supports a staffing ration in the range of one officer for every 1,000 students.

At MCCCDC, currently there is no formula for a staffing ratio at any of the colleges. The colleges have grown individually and there is no consistent model on staffing. This results in an appearance of "have" and "have not" among the different campuses. Some colleges are struggling to staff adequately and calls for service are almost overwhelming. Currently, MCCCDC has 46 certified officers and its ratio is one officer to every 5,108 students. Other community colleges in the state have a better ratio and compared to other states, MCCCDC's ratio is much, much higher.

In Maricopa County, there are about seven jurisdictions that college Public Safety has to deal with because of the physical location of the colleges. By increasing staffing, MCCCDC should be able to handle most of the public safety calls for service without support from the local municipality.

There is a general staffing assumption that MCCCCD should have armed officers on campus when the colleges are open for business to be able to respond to calls for service. Public Safety cannot conduct routine patrols to satellite campuses with current staffing. With the proposed staff increases, such would become routine and regular. MCCCCD has a moral and legal obligation to make it as reasonably safe as possible for students and staff. Chief Longman says MCCCCD needs to increase staff to adequately respond to emergencies that are occurring on a day-to-day basis.

The staffing recommendations are consistent with the three studies that his staffing committee researched, especially IACLEA's collegiate policing. He recommends Maricopa provide the following in support:

- Four police officers and commander at small colleges (<15,000 students)
- Five police officers and commander at intermediate colleges (15,00-18,000 students)
- Six police officers and commander at large colleges (>18,000 students)
- Two police officers & lieutenant at larger remote satellite campuses
- Detective Sergeant at District to conduct investigations

Officers would be deployed across the district as needed. Using these numbers, MCCCCD's ratio would change to one officer for every 3,405 students.

Chief Longman also advocates reducing reliance on unarmed, minimally trained non-certified public safety aides, particularly part-time aides. He wants to increase the number of police officers to bring MCCCCD closer to industry standard in collegiate staffing.

Mr. Miranda asked if MCCCCD keeps data on the kind of incidents that require a response. Chief Longman replied that MCCCCD is preparing to deploy a comprehensive system to do that, but for now, the colleges are not tracking such data consistently. Mr. Miranda asked if the researched institutions collected data to help them determine their needs. Chief Longman replied yes. Those collegiate departments already have their infrastructure in place. MCCCCD is still operating as a quasi-security department. Once the new system is implemented, he will be able to provide the Board with detailed data on the types and numbers of calls. He said he is comfortable with the new recommendation levels as it will get MCCCCD closer [to industry standard] and once the infrastructure is in place, that, along with communication systems and a records management system, MCCCCD will be able to demonstrate its needs with data.

Mr. Miranda asked what kinds of situations were being relegated to part-time public safety aides. Chief Longman replied that public safety aides are only authorized to observe and report, patrol parking lots to deter vandalism and thefts, help with unlocking doors, and check buildings.

Mr. Miranda asked if there was any thought to incorporating metal detectors in the plans. Chief Longman replied that currently his officers use hand held wands in specific cases. The colleges are open to the public so it does not allow for as much control.

Mr. Saar remarked that the "blue shirts" (public safety aides) are also able to give out parking tickets. He then asked if there was a ratio of certified police to blue shirts. He asked if Chief Longman saw a need to increase those numbers as well. Chief Longman replied that he wanted to reduce reliance on part-time blue shirts and use the Board-approved full-time staff. Part-time staff are not as dedicated to serving students; commanders schedule more part-time people than needed in hopes that what they do need actually show up for shifts. Blue shirts are great for monitoring surveillance cameras and dealing with routine matters. They are good eyes and ears but should not be used for contact with high risk situations.

Mr. Saar commented that they do play a role for the benefit of the students. He said a while ago media reports alleged that MCCCDC does need public safety because city police exist. He asked if Chief Longman say a need for staff to go off campus to investigate. Chief Longman replied that MCCCDC has a wonderful working relationship with all municipal partners. He meets with them on a routine basis. Legally, MCCCDC has the ability to exert its original jurisdiction to investigate crimes on its properties. MCCCDC doesn't have the staff to do that, however. Students and employees should have a reasonable expectation an investigation will occur properly. The comparisons alluded to from other colleges had a full-service police department infrastructure in place. MCCCDC will always have to rely on municipal partners from some services (i.e., bomb squad, SWAT team, etc.) Mr. Saar also remarked that MCCCDC doesn't need to build holding cells which Chief Longman agreed with.

Mr. Saar asked how many complaints have been received by the community, staff, and students. Chief Longman replied he did not have specific data. Mr. Saar clarified that he would like to get a feel for what MCCCDC staff and students have had problems with and get support that these plans will help solve those issues.

Mr. Lumm asked if there were plans to cover all Rio sites (17). Chief Longman replied that his plans embrace the One Maricopa concept. There will not be a proprietary sense in the department so staff from all campuses would be available to canvas all areas regardless of which college office they were "assigned" to.

Mr. Lumm asked why plans included an expensive staff position when there might be equipment that could be purchased at a lesser cost or because the local municipality has the same services available. Chief Longman replied that it is standard for colleges and universities to have their own police department. Mr. Lumm remarked that the budget could be better served to support the student success agenda. He asked if more equipment or video surveillance wouldn't be better than addition staff positions. Chief Longman replied that MCCCDC had recently purchased patrol vehicles to serve as a visual deterrent and allow him to re-deploy police officers from one college to another. However, when that happens, the donor college is short-handed. Mr. Lumm insisted that more cameras and technology and less staff would provide a better balance. Chief Longman replied that MCCCDC will still need to provide an armed police response. Technology is good but won't stop a threat as well as an immediate armed response. Municipal responses will be delayed—cities are struggling with their own staffing needs and community requirements.

Mr. Miranda asked if Maricopa is billed for municipal responses (the answer is no). MCCCDC is not really an entity that lends itself to a geographic area and he wonders if a closer relationship, along with additional technology, would be effective. He said the price tag is what the Board is concerned with. Safety is of utmost concern. Chief Longman replied that across the nation tragic events have occurred at community colleges. Pima is similarly situated, as is San Diego, and they have their own police departments. MCCCDC does everything it can to foster a good working relationship with municipal police, fire, and EMS. The fact is, they are not going to staff police officers on MCCCDC property. With current numbers, Chief Longman cannot make assurances that MCCCDC will have police officers at the colleges during business hours.

Mr. Miranda noted that lack of data was impacting his ability to see where the need is. He doesn't think every incident in MCCCDC is the kind that requires an armed or timely response. Chief Longman agreed that data would be useful.

President Burke said the Board is sensitive to public safety and that it would give the recommendations every consideration.

Seamless Student Experience

Dr. Ernie Lara, President of Estrella Mountain Community College, began the presentation. He also introduced co-presenters Dr. Paul Dale, President of Paradise Valley Community College, and Dr. Lauren Shellenbarger, Vice President of the Seamless Student Experience.

Dr. Lara detailed the accomplishments made so far:

- Standardized enrollment cancellation process
- Eliminated dropping students for non-payment after the refund period
- Redesign of my.maricopa.edu
- Single identity for students at all colleges
- System-wide training is being developed
- Maricopa Student Loan Default Management Plan developed\

High Value Projects Underway

- Outsourced Financial Aid Verification
- Financial Aid Answer Center
- Single Scholarship Database and Application
- Integrated Document Imaging

Dr. Dale continued, saying that SSE has been determined to be the main business driver for PeopleSoft Campus Solutions 9 (CS9). The SSE is intricately entwined in the CS9 upgrade. MCCCDCD needs to convert the current SIS to CS9 as it will no longer be supported by the vendor. The architecture of the current SIS needs to be reworked—moving from 10 separate to a single architecture. Changes will allow a single student transcript, single financial aid model and business process, and a single admissions process. CS9 will act as the center spoke of the student portal, document imaging, standardized processes, single student record, and customer relationship management systems. It will allow MCCCDCD to track the efficacy of its recruitment efforts, track behavior of students through the admissions process, and it is pivotal to the implementation of complementary processes. It also incorporates the need for employee training.

Dr. Lauren Shellenbarger discussed the impacts of SSE. Its primary goal was to eliminate registration and financial aid barriers so students could focus on learning. The average number of students impacted per year is 250,347 with approximately 10% of those attending more than one Maricopa college in a year. The average number of financial aid applications selected for verification is 79,352 with the amount of financial aid disbursed per semester at over \$135M. Enrollment cancellations called that were made last semester was 25,133 and over 700,000 unique hits were made to my.maricopa.edu. Over 120,000 transcripts go out in a year with over 31,000 of those students having attended more than one Maricopa college. Approximately 25,000 transcripts are evaluated yearly.

Total one-time costs for SSE for the estimated capital expense for equipment, development, installation, and implementation will be approximately \$9.3M. Annual operating costs will be \$900,000 per year (until 2015 when implementation is complete). Projected operating costs for 2014 will be \$3.8M.

President Burk asked if the project would be fully implemented by 2015. Dr. Shellenbarger replied that was the project plan.

Mr. Saar asked if MCCCDCD would see a lesser cost per student than MCCCDCD is currently paying. Dr. Dale replied that MCCCDCD will be more efficient and effective, allowing staff time to be dedicated to other matters. President Burk remarked that it will be much more efficient for students. Mr. Miranda asked if there would be any possibility that the system won't work as predicted and MCCCDCD will have spent money for nothing. He

wanted to know if there were any projections on cost savings for the District or if personnel would be replaced. Dr. Shellenbarger responded that it might be too early to tell. Right now, MCCCDCD relies heavily on part-time staff, student workers, RPS workers so the service being provided is not being met by full-time staff. There is potential for decreasing the number of part-time staff but full-time staff could then redirect their efforts to support student success in other ways rather than on time-consuming tasks.

Dr. Lara remarked that these costs were a one-time cost to create the infrastructure. Some of these costs would have to be adopted anyway to do business as usual.

Mr. Miranda then asked if the scholarship data would be available for students already enrolled or for future students. Dr. Shellenbarger said current plans are to direct to both. Mr. Miranda said it was an excellent recruitment tool. Dr. Dale then took a moment to acknowledge the hard work of the entire SSE team to the Board.

Dr. Glasper asked to make a few comments before the next speaker. He said when MCCCDCD entered into this journey two years ago he had a vision of analyzing staff at the colleges and moving to a single process where some savings would be accrued on the other side. MCCCDCD may not have immediate savings that would accrue because people do more than one job, but the focus will shift to retention. MCCCDCD spends much of its time on access and what it means. MCCCDCD has a student attrition rate of 60% and he would like to shift focus to tutoring, managing, and retention. It costs more money to recruit new students than it does to maintain existing ones. If MCCCDCD can shift the attrition rate from 60% to 50%, completion numbers will grow. He wants to track the data of how students move into job placement. The total cost of ownership for MCCCDCD on how it manages a student who comes into the system and then moves on to work. MCCCDCD needs to decide if it can make a material impact in terms of numbers of students and not get caught up only in creating enrollment growth. He wants to shift focus to attrition rate, student completion, access, retention, and completion. This is the single largest initiative that has pulled more people into the notion of One Maricopa. MCCCDCD needs to stop looking at its institution in terms of 11 different silos.

High Level 3-5 Year Technology Plan for Enterprise Systems

Mr. John Webster, interim CIO, thanked the Board for its time. He said he would spend a few minutes to talk about the IT Transformation Plan: planning the future, current status of ITS, transforming the organization, and ITS support needs.

Planning for the Future

- Public sector struggling with hiring technical resources
- Continuous change in technology
- Software deployment options and services changing
- Changing need in student learning requirements
- Ability to develop services with other groups (colleges; state, local, and government agencies; K-12; and private sector)

Opportunity for ITS to:

- Develop a technologically innovative, forward-acting services organization
- Provide world-class support and services to students
- Improve students' educational experiences and opportunity to succeed

Current State of ITS Services

- Aging infrastructure and technology
- Technical, functional, and other employee skills gaps
- Enterprise software approaching end of life
- Staffing shortages across all areas

Transforming the Organization

- Started by VC Kahkedjian, with guidance of Chancellor and support of Executive Team
- Transformation focuses on three key areas: people, processes, and technology
- Transformation occurs in three unique phases: modernization, alignment, and continuous improvement
- Transformation plan is complemented with roadmap of key change activities affecting people, processes, and technology: tangible activities (seen, measured, shared)
- Chancellor will use outcomes to hold ITS accountable for delivery and success

Aging Infrastructure Modernized

- Web services
- Data storage capabilities
- Network Operating Center (NOC)
- Security Operations Center (SOC)
- Data center (primary)
- Disaster recovery planning

Skills Gap Updated to Meet Future Customer Service Needs

- Assess skills required of team members: technical, functional, soft skills
- Assess how ITS teams will work together in the future: collaboration and team problem solving, job rotation, flexible workplace
- Individual staff training plans to refresh, enhance, and grow staff skills
- Ongoing staff training plan to maintain and broaden skills into the future
- Defined approach for supporting short-term skills gaps with external assistance

End of Life Enterprise Software Upgraded and Replaced

- Student Information Systems
- Seamless Student Experience
- Human Resources
- Financials System
- Budgeting System
- Reporting Services

Staffing Shortage Resolved

- Adequate staff aligned to required services and work effort
- New staff to allow ITS to add new projects and services to project portfolio
- New staff who will focus on innovation, research, and developing partnerships
- Specialized staff to manage new service delivery options and relationship management
- Strategic approach to provide necessary external resources support to projects
- Appropriate mix of external services options to support standardized services (multisourcing)

How Can Others in Maricopa Help?

- Colleges and divisions: asked to provide previously defined resources to ITS
- New ongoing operational support: training; innovation, research, development; new resources
- Software replacement—Capital (TBD)
- Infrastructure Upgrade—Capital (TBD)
- Institutional support of vision and plan

Transformation Success Indicators

- Fully-staffed organization, trained, ready, and able to deliver new services
- Strategic approach to using external resources, as needed, when needed, to fill short-term gaps on projects

- Balanced multisourcing approach to support services
- Flexible, change ready, high energy services team
- Creative, responsive, dependable services partner

Mr. Saar asked if MCCC'D's Canvas system was part of MCCC'D's needs in terms of integrating with the SIS system. Mr. Webster replied that Canvas holds MCCC'D's learning management system (classes) and those bits of data would not be outsourced. Student records (GPA) should not be outsourced or tied to a Canvas solution. If there is something that Canvas can do for MCCC'D, ITS will support it.

Mr. Saar remarked that technology is an essential tool to MCCC'D student experience and the end results MCCC'D is looking for. It is not cheap and it is not going to happen overnight. Mr. Webster has done a good job in outlining the plan and the Board needs to make sure the resources are there to match, long term. Mr. Webster concurred, saying technology is an expensive business and MCCC'D has no option to buy small systems. Budgeting decisions will need to be based on answering the question: what will MCCC'D *not* do.

President Burke commented that the Board was aware of MCCC'D's dependence on IT. It appreciates what the IT folks are doing and this presentation.

MONITORING REPORTS

VII.A BUDGET ANALYSIS REPORT SUMMARY FUND 1—GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE SEVEN MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 31, 2013

Expenditure analysis indicates 49.9% of the budget has been expended this year as compared to 47.9% expended at this same point last year. 26.2% of the budget remained unexpended or unencumbered compared to 26.3% in the prior year. Revenue analysis indicates that 68.8% of the budget has been recognized as compared to 70.2% in the prior year. The projected fund balance will increase by ~\$2.3M this fiscal year and the projected ending fund balance for June 2013 is \$106.6M.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Lumm reported that he toured the Arizona Agribusiness & Equine Center (AAEC) Charter School locations at EMCC and SMCC. The tours were quite an eye-opener on how they get the high school students attending college classes. At every grade level their students are attending MCCC'D classes and their students are graduating with an AA degree, or pretty close. He also went to the *Healing Racism* series at PC which he thought was excellent and had great participation. He went to training on copyright issues at PC and it really opened his eyes regarding plagiarism. He heard Mr. Terry O'Bannon's presentation and he said he did an excellent job. He went to the *Male Empowerment Network* conference and they did an awesome job inspiring kids to find a job and be successful. He also toured the Corporate College at GWCC with other community leaders. He also thanked Ms. Thompson for the outstanding job she did on her financial forums presented to the colleges.

Mr. Miranda reported on a recent trip to Washington, DC (ACCT 2013 National Legislative Summit). He had a great trip, especially enjoying a session on *Trustee Training for New Members*. He found the conference very interesting and very educational. He also participated in a legal workshop which provided insights on the legal implications of several new regulations. Back home, he had the opportunity to visit with some of the colleges (SMCC, EMCC, PC, and soon CGCC) and he appreciated the visits. He said he had a big learning curve and he valued all the input.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Higher Education Committee Presentation Summary

Dr. Glasper reported that the Board has asked him to show the video of the presentation he made to the Higher Education Committee at the State Legislature. The audio was not well done so he would be providing a summary instead.

Dr. Glasper had been asked by the chairman of the committee, Representative Dial, to present the community college perspective and talk about a series of bills that they support. He was one of four representatives, along with the presidents of Coconino Community College, Cochise College, and Northland Pioneer College. He felt it was important to address that community colleges are the largest provider of workforce training in the state of Arizona. When looking at state budgets, community colleges do not fare very well. MCCCDC has been given the charge to say that it is a large institution and needs to find its resources elsewhere. There is a bill to restore funding that had been taken away the past five years, bringing about \$11M focused on STEM education. MCCCDC has received a Trade Adjust Act Grant for \$13.2M at EMCC and CGCC, along with two other rural and one urban college in the state, which may be affected by sequestration. Discussions tried to demonstrate the need for community colleges to have resources and were focused on the idea that, in all the sciences, it takes specialized skills to build an end product. These professions are not “dirty” anymore—workers are integrating technology skills along with the specialized skills needed for the area (i.e., welding). Arizona is trying to lure employers into the state and community colleges and the Corporate College are in place to move that agenda forward. He believes the committee is listening but no one knows what will happen in terms of overall funding for Maricopa.

He directed the Board to look over the transfer documents he had shared. Data supported by the State Assist System says the colleges are doing well with what they are doing. Regarding students who transfer 12+ hours to a university—76% of students at ASU have 12 or more credits from MCCCDC. This document validates that a student who transfers from an MCCCDC college does as well as a student who starts at the university. Driven by a recession that forced a number of students to come to the community college to save money, MCCCDC has guaranteed admissions costs, 32 articulation pathways, and the numbers are growing every year—there is quality in the system. He wants to keep more students in the state of Arizona. Students are coming back to be retrained in technical skills so they are able to sustain their families and themselves. He wished community colleges were being recognized within the state of Arizona so they could receive additional resources.

Earlier talks about state funding showed a high of 27% [state support] in the 80s but that has declined down to 1%. The temporary sales tax goes away in a couple of months and what happens then? MCCCDC is moving towards a performance-based funding model based on the number of students that can be moved through the system, demonstrating progress from developmental education through graduation or transfer. MCCCDC has to move from just basing numbers on transfers or graduations. If a corporation wants three sessions on a type of software MCCCDC needs to be able to deliver it and find a funding source.

The presentations tonight were consistent with the Board’s Completion Agenda. Everything requires an IT system to support students—there’s a theme. MCCCDC needs to make some tough choices and it will not be easy. Community colleges are great—but they want to be all things to all people and ask people to do more with less. He is asking the Board to look at the landscape and help make some choices. MCCCDC is still the single largest institution in the country that has maintained an AAA bond rating from all three agencies over the past five years.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

There was no report.

FACULTY REPORT

Dr. Kathleen Iudicello, Division Chair Liberal Arts at EMCC, announced there would be no report.

EMPLOYEE GROUP REPORTS

There were no reports.

VICE CHANCELLOR REPORTS

There were no reports.

COLLEGE REPORTS

Dr. Anna Solley, President of Phoenix College, introduced Mr. Lionel Diaz, Associate Vice Chancellor Capital Planning Specialist, and Mr. Doug McCarthy, Director of College Facilities Planning and Development, who presented on PC's latest bond projects.

Five Years of Planning, Design, Construction, and Relocations

Mr. Diaz introduced the planning, design, and construction focused on creating a one-stop enrollment process and new student spaces at PC. Mr. McCarthy stated that, in 2008, PC wanted to improve and consolidate student services, cross-train and increase staff efficiency, create a new student union, and develop more outdoor spaces for students. PC now is the flag ship of the one stop enrollment process. All staff are cross-trained and students are triaged up front and moved through the specialized system. Areas are holistically designed to provide service and allow areas for students to gather, including the new Student Union. It's an exciting place to work and PC is so proud of its achievements, from what was physically transformed to the collaboration across the District.

Mr. Lumm remarked that he went to the grand opening and thought it was awesome. He also thanked Dr. Solley for saving the mural.

AADGB REPORT

President Burke reported the next AADGB meeting will be on March 28 and they will be planning a state-wide meeting in August.

ASBA REPORT

There was no report.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Ryan DeMenna, Senior Associate from DeMenna Associates, presented the following Legislative Update.

"President Burke, Members of the Board, Chancellor Glasper, Members of CEC, and all others present, my name is Ryan DeMenna and I'm a Senior Associate with DeMenna & Associates. DeMenna & Associates provides government relations services to the Maricopa County Community College District. I'm here this evening to provide you with a brief legislative update.

Today marks the 44th day of session. There have been 1,145 pieces of legislation, and 70 memorials and resolutions introduced to date. The deadline to introduce bills and the deadline to hear bills in their chamber of origin have passed. As I mentioned in my previous legislative update, the Maricopa Legislative Team is working closely with other community college districts in support of the statewide 2013 legislative agenda developed and adopted by the Arizona Community College President's Council. As a reminder, the comprehensive legislative agenda consists of three primary components.

- 1) Development of a statewide, job-training infrastructure that better leverages the community colleges' existing job training resources;
- 2) A goal of \$23 million in Capital Funding to acquire industry standard equipment for job training; and (statute permits portions of Capitol dollars to be used for other uses, like M&O)
- 3) Support for the Arizona Department of Education's request to restore the state match for Adult Basic Education funding. (\$4.5 million)

With regard to job training, we are working closely with the Chairman of the House Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee, Representative Jeff Dial (R – LD 18, Chandler). Representative Dial has convened a number of stakeholder meetings to discuss the existing job training program and, as a result, the Arizona Commerce Authority has developed a timeline for reviewing and redrafting the rules that govern this program. Moving forward, Maricopa now has a seat at that table, and will continue to develop a new model that better utilizes existing community college

job training resources. This is an exciting and positive development, early in the legislative session.

The Capital Funding request is also making some very positive progress. HB 2265, which replaces capital outlay funding with funding for STEM and workforce programs, is the “placeholder” for this budget request, and passed out of the House on February 25th with unanimous support. Just today, we met with Senate President Biggs and the head of the Governor’s budget office to continue gathering support.

Lawmakers and the Governor are working to reconcile revenue estimates as a starting point for the fiscal year 2014 budget and, as a result, we have not yet determined the level of support for Adult Basic Education funding. The Governor’s office is clearly open to funding this issue at some level, if additional data becomes available. Regardless, the Maricopa Legislative Team will continue working closely with the Arizona Department of Education to secure state funding for this program.

We will be sure to provide you with additional updates as the legislative session progresses. And with that, I’m happy to stand for any questions you may have. Thank you.”

President Burke thanked Mr. DeMenna. Mr. Lumm asked for confirmation of a new voter committee on elections. Mr. DeMenna said there was a senate committee specifically focused on elections. Mr. Lumm said he had heard there were a lot of voter suppression bills coming out of there. Mr. DeMenna said he would look in to it and report back to the Board.

Mr. Miranda remarked that MCCCCD needs to wake up the legislature to give community colleges support and he applauded DeMenna Associates for their work. Mr. DeMenna replied that he thought the message had been received and they were starting to “turn the ship” in support.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

President Burke announced the following future meetings:

March 5, 2013, 6:30 p.m., Governing Board Work Session
March 26, 2013, 6:30 p.m., Regular Board Meeting

POLICY DISCUSSION

President Burked decided, due to the lateness of the hour, this portion of the agenda would not be discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

President Burke adjourned the regular board meeting at 10:05 p.m.

Dana G. Saar
Governing Board Secretary