

**CHABOT-LAS POSITAS
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING**

**MINUTES
July 31, 2012**

PLACE

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, 5020 Franklin Drive, Pleasanton, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Board President Dvorsky. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. All Trustees were present at the time of roll.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments offered at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board immediately adjourned to Closed Session, which ended at 6:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board readjoined in Open Session at 6:30 p.m. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. Student Trustee Adhikari was absent at the time of roll.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present:	Trustee Arnulfo Cedillo Trustee Isobel F. Dvorsky Trustee Donald L. "Dobie" Gelles Trustee Hal G. Gin Trustee Barbara F. Mertes Trustee Marshall Mitzman Trustee Carlo Vecchiarelli Student Trustee Nicole Pinto
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Members Absent:	Student Trustee Kris Adhikari
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Recording Secretary: Ms. Beverly Bailey

Managers Present: Dr. Susan A. Cota, Consultant to the Board
Dr. Susan Sperling, President, Chabot College
Dr. Kevin Walthers, President, Las Positas College
Mr. Ken Agustin
Ms. Julia Dozier
Mr. Wyman Fong
Mr. Doug Horner
Dr. Ted Kaye
Mr. Jeffrey Kingston
Mr. Lorenzo Legaspi
Ms. Jeannine Methe
Dr. Janice Noble
Ms. Diana Rodriguez
Mr. Rajinder Samra
Ms. Tram Vo Kumamoto

Others Present: Mr. William Berry, William Berry Campaigns
Ms. Kathy Kelley, President, Chabot College Faculty Senate
Dr. Charlotte Lofft, President, Chabot-Las Positas Faculty
Association
Mr. Patrick Lofft
Ms. Sarah Thompson, President, Las Positas College Faculty
Senate
Ms. Rachel Ugale, District Services

PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Kingston led the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments offered at this meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING: CALLING AN ELECTION FOR VOTER APPROVAL FOR AN EDUCATIONAL PARCEL TAX – NOVEMBER 6, 2012

President Dvorsky opened the Public Hearing on the Adoption of a Resolution Proposing to establish a Special Tax to be submitted for Voter approval on November 6, 2012 at 6:32 p.m.

Ms. Kathy Kelley expressed her support for a Parcel District for the District.

President Dvorsky closed the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-1213 – RESOLUTION CALLING AN ELECTION FOR VOTER APPROVAL FOR AN EDUCATIONAL PARCEL TAX – NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Dr. Cota noted a correction has been made to Exhibit B attachment to the Resolution, noting an error in the date of the Notice of Public Hearing (Tuesday, July 31, 2012 in lieu of Monday, July 31, 2012). She also noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was correct in the newspaper.

Board Member Comments:

Trustee Gin expressed that he is in full support of a Parcel Tax, noting that “it is needed to maintain stability in our District.”

Trustee Gelles expressed that he is in support of a Parcel Tax. He expressed that if Governor Brown’s Tax Initiative does not pass, we have no alternative if we don’t attempt this Parcel Tax in order to bring back programs. He noted that he does not like the wording “for a variety of educational programs” as used in the Notice of Public Hearing (Exhibit B), but would not ask for a change.

Trustee Cedillo expressed that he supports a Parcel Tax, noting that it will be a challenge but we “must do it.”

Trustee Mitzman reported that he recently spoke to Hayward Unified School District Board Members, as they just recently passed a Parcel Tax in the June Election. He reported that it is believed that this Tax passed due to the exemption for Senior Citizens. He expressed that he was disappointed to learn that Community Colleges are not allowed to have a Senior Citizen Exemption. He expressed that passing a Parcel Tax for the District will require educating the public about Parcel Taxes, noting that many he spoke to did not understand Parcel Taxes. He expressed that he believes the District will be successful with the help of College Faculty, Staff, and Students. He also noted that he will work hard to see that it is passed.

Trustee Vecchiarelli expressed that he is 100% supportive of a Parcel Tax, and will work hard to get it passed. He noted that he has spoken to various Unions and Building Trades to get their support. He also expressed that it will be “tough” in this difficult economic climate.

Trustee Mertes expressed her support for a Parcel Tax.

Trustee Dvorsky expressed that along with her fellow Board Members she believes that we need the Parcel Tax to bring back our classes.

Motion No. 1

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Vecchiarelli, to adopt Resolution No. 03-1213 Calling an Election for Voter Approval for an Educational Parcel Tax in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, California on November 6, 2012; and further, that the Chancellor or designee deliver said resolution to the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools, the Alameda County Registrar of Voters, and the Contra Costa County Registrar of Voters.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Cedillo, Dvorsky, Gelles, Gin, Mertes, Mitzman, Vecchiarelli
NOES:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion No. 2

Trustee Gelles made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gin, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Board of Trustees is a Regular Meeting scheduled for August 21, 2012.

Minutes prepared by:

Beverly Bailey

Secretary, Board of Trustees
Chabot-Las Positas Community College District