

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

**MINUTES
May 7, 2013**

PLACE

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, 7600 Dublin Blvd., 3rd Floor, Dublin, California.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Dr. Cedillo. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. Trustee Dr. Mitzman was absent at the time of roll. Board President Dr. Cedillo reported that Trustee Dr. Mitzman is excused from this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments offered at this time.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to a Closed Session at 5:01 p.m., which ended at 5:25 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board readjoined in Open Session at 5:30 p.m. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. Trustee Dr. Mitzman and Student Trustee Mr. Adhikari were absent at the time of roll. Board President Dr. Cedillo reported that Trustee Dr. Mitzman is excused from this meeting.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present:

- Trustee Arnulfo Cedillo
- Trustee Isobel F. Dvorsky
- Trustee Donald L. "Dobie" Gelles
- Trustee Hal G. Gin
- Trustee Barbara F. Mertes
- Trustee Carlo Vecchiarelli

Student Trustee Kris Adhikari (arrived 6:15 p.m.)
Student Trustee Nicole Pinto

Members Absent: Trustee Marshall Mitzman (Excused)

Recording Secretary: Ms. Beverly Bailey

Managers Present: Dr. Judy E. Walters, Interim Chancellor
Dr. Susan Sperling, President, Chabot College
Dr. Kevin Walthers, President, Las Positas College
Mr. Ken Agustin
Dr. Marcia Corcoran
Dr. Marilyn Flores
Mr. Wyman Fong
Mr. Jeffrey Kingston
Mr. Lorenzo Legaspi
Ms. Jeannine Methe
Ms. Dyan Miller
Dr. Janice Noble
Ms. Diana Rodriguez
Mr. Rajinder Samra
Mr. Gerald Shimada
Ms. Tram Vo-Kumamoto
Mr. Dale Wagoner

Others Present: Mr. Jason Ames, Chabot College
Ms. Nancy Cheung, Chabot College
Mr. Jason Craighead, Las Positas College
Mr. Tom deWit, Chabot College
Mr. Jeff Drouin, Chabot College
Ms. Lisa Everett, Las Positas College
Ms. JoAnn Galliano, Chabot College
Ms. Donna Gibson, Chabot College
Mr. John Gonder, Las Positas College
Ms. Mary Hargiss, Las Positas College
Ms. Nan Ho, Las Positas College
Ms. Kathy Kelley, President, Chabot College Faculty Senate
Ms. Candace Klaschus, Las Positas College
Dr. Charlotte Lofft, President, Chabot-Las Positas Faculty
Association
Mr. Wesley Morgan, Las Positas College
Ms. Catherine Pinkas, Chabot College

Mr. Nolly Ruiz, Chabot College
Mr. Sujoy Sarkar, Chabot College
Mr. Todd Steffan, Las Positas College Classified Senate
Mr. Randy Taylor, Las Positas College
Ms. Sarah Thompson, President, Las Positas College Faculty Senate
Ms. Rachel Ugale, District Services
Mr. Gilberto Victoria, Las Positas College
Ms. Yvonne Wu-Craig, President, Chabot College Classified Senate

PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Lorenzo Legaspi led the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments offered at this meeting.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES

Board President Dr. Cedillo recognized Student Trustees Adhikari and Pinto for their service on the Board for 2012-13, and presented each with a Certificate of Appreciation. Student Trustee Pinto expressed appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to serve on the Board and thanked the Board for receiving her so openly.

Dr. Walthers recognized Student Trustee Adhikari as a 2013 All-USA Community College Academic Team honoree. Dr. Walthers provided to Board Members a copy of the April 23, 2013 USA Today Newspaper which highlighted the 20 winners.

PRESENTATION: END OF YEAR RECOGNITIONS-STUDENT PROGRAMS, LAS POSITAS COLLEGE

Las Positas College Staff recognized outstanding programs and students for 2012-13, and acknowledged and celebrated those in attendance.

On behalf of Las Positas College, Dr. Walthers presented a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the Las Positas College events, accomplishments and highlights of 2012-13.

Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS): Mr. Randy Taylor, Advisor for AGS, presented a brief background of AGS, and recognized outstanding AGS Student, Ms. Abigail Moore who has been awarded the Tom Jackson Academic/Service/Leadership Scholarship. Mr. Taylor also

recognized Ms. Moore as the top AGS student in the State; the Las Positas College Student of the Year; an All-California Academic First Team; and a Coca Cola Gold Scholar, which signifies her as one of the top 100 community college students in the nation. Ms. Moore expressed appreciation to Mr. Taylor and shared her thoughts on what AGS has meant to her.

Honors Transfer Program: Ms. Candace Klaschus, Advisor, presented a brief background about the Honors Transfer Program, which began through a grant with Los Medanos College approximately 12 years ago. Ms. Klaschus recognized outstanding students in the Program: Rafi Ansari, Brenna Gomer, Tyler Hayden, Christine Kelly, Natalie Craig, Candita Wager, Nathan Monahelis, Christopher Budiman, Alix Darrow, Abigail Moore, Sydney Wagner, and Joseph Cooke.

Women's Swimming Program: Coach Jason Craighead presented a PowerPoint Presentation of the Las Positas College Swim and Dive 2013 Coast Conference Championships and outlined the goals and successes of the program. He recognized Logan Champion, Dive Coach; Loren Pearson, Assistant Swim Coach; Kyle Suchland, CCCAA Scholar Athlete; and McKenna Stevulak, State Champion in the Women's 50 Back. He also introduced members of the Women's Swim and Dive Team present: Sydney Wagner, Megan Simons, Kendra Hartsuyker, Shelby Schock, Brooke Eicher, Danielle Kennedy, and Amy Lundeen.

Learning to Triumph: Mr. Gilberto Victoria presented a PowerPoint Presentation of the Learning to Triumph (Aprendiendo a Triunfar) Workshop, an event designed to bring the Latino community to the Las Positas College Campus and provide information on higher education and other issues that impact this community via workshops and speakers. Mr. Victoria outlined the background of the program, its successes and its challenges.

Science: Ms. Nan Ho presented a PowerPoint Presentation of the Biology Undergraduate Science Research Poster Session Projects. Ms. Benita Lau, Zoology, on "Studies of Environmental Effects on *Trachemys scripta elegans*, the Red-eared Slider, and Basking Behavior Regarding Basking Site and Interspecies Interactions"; and Ms. Trang Nguyen, Zoology, on the mallard duck (*Anas platyrhynchos*) briefly described their research projects. Ms. Ho explained that the Science Research Poster Project is where students complete and present their original research in diverse fields, including Anatomy and Physiology, Organic Chemistry, Marine Biology, Math, Microbiology, Psychology, and Zoology.

Computer Networking Technology: Mr. John Gonder presented a PowerPoint Presentation on the Computer Networking Technology Program: Network Security, WiFi, VoIP, VMware, Linux, Digital Forensics; TCP/IP Network Analysis. He recognized outstanding students in the program: Adam Vasquez, Lawrence Phillips, Charlie Lochbaum, Shane Gunderson, and Kuldeep Chawla.

HAIR Spring Musical: Mr. Wesley Morgan, Director and Producer, introduced the cast of the Las Positas Performing Arts Musical "Hair." He reported that the production had a cast of 22 actors/singers. He recognized the "Academic Star" of the Show, Ms. Marcella Jean, a chemistry major who was accepted at four UC Campuses and will be attending University of California, Berkeley in the fall majoring in medicine. Cast Members performed the song "Aquarius."

Dr. Walters expressed that tonight's presentations showcase all the great things that community colleges do. She expressed that behind all the great students are great faculty members and great professional staff. She presented Mr. Wesley Morgan with a rehearsal photo from a 1967 production of "Mandragola" presented at San Jose City College and directed by her husband Dr. Bill Kester.

Dr. Walthers was pleased to report that for the first time a full-time Theater Faculty Member will be hired at Las Positas College. He recognized the outstanding Faculty at Las Positas College, both Full-time and Part-time.

RECESS

The Board recessed the meeting from 6:45 p.m. until 7:52 p.m.

PRESENTATION: END OF YEAR RECOGNITIONS-STUDENT PROGRAMS, CHABOT COLLEGE

Chabot College Staff recognized outstanding programs and students for 2012-13, and acknowledged and celebrated those in attendance.

On behalf of Chabot College, Dr. Sperling presented a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the Chabot College events, accomplishments and highlights of 2012-13. She recognized Mr. Sujoy Sarkar, TV Studio, who put together the short video. Mr. Sarkar reported that the video was made possible because of the state-of-the-art studio. Mr. Sarkar proudly reported that the studio currently runs three local community channels; and in addition, CBS and NBC rents equipment from the studio.

Dr. Sperling also recognized the Promise Neighborhood Grant; the Department of Labor and Department of Education Joint Grant, a TAA grant that retrains displaced workers; and the Law and Democracy Program. Dr. Sperling recognized Ms. Yvonne Wu-Craig and Mr. Gerald Shimada for their work on the Promise Neighborhood Grant.

Daraja Project and Umoja Community: Mr. Tom deWit spoke regarding the Chabot College Daraja Project and the Umoja Community. He reported that the Daraja Project is celebrating its 25th year of service to the Chabot Community. He invited Board Members to the

Celebration scheduled for Saturday, May 18, 2013. He reported that Daraja students starting in Basic Skills English are twice as likely to succeed in freshman composition (English 1A) than other African American students. It was reported that “Umoja is a community of educators and learners committed to the academic success, personal growth and self-actualization of African American and other students. Umoja Community seeks to educate the whole student-body, mind and spirit. Informed by an ethic of love and its vital power, the Umoja Community will deliberately engage students as full participants in the construction of knowledge and critical thought.” Mr. deWit reported that Umoja is a statewide professional development organization and receives no funding. He reported that it now is recognized by every constituent group in the state and has received national recognition, presenting at the White House Summit last year. He reported on the struggles experienced by African American students academically and economically, ranking at the bottom in every category, i.e. assessment into college-level courses, Basic Skills, completion overall rates, and progress towards transfer-readiness. Other groups also at the bottom are Native Americans and Pacific Islanders.

DECCA (Delta Epsilon Chi Collegiate Business Club): Ms. Catherine Pinkas, Advisor, highlighted the DECCA Club and its key achievements and outstanding students: Daniel Brown, President; Patrick Hart, James Hill, Paola Didone, Christopher Dodge, Alvaro Rojash, Frank Hammed, Carlos Martin, Joseph Metcalf, and TeJay Segundino. She shared a short video of a recent DECCA Conference in Anaheim and recognized three finalists: James Hill, Paola Didone and Christopher Dodge.

Physical Education and Athletics: Mr. Jeff Drouin presented a PowerPoint Presentation of the Coast Conference 2012-13 highlighting the Regional Team Championships in Football, Baseball, Men’s Golf, and Women’s Tennis; and recognized Individual Honors in Team Categories (John Carter, Pitcher of the Year; Lisha Pacheco, Academic All-State Team and HCAC Scholarship Winner). He also highlighted Individual Conference Champions in Women’s Tennis: Namrata Sher, (Women’s Singles); and Namrata Sher and Arlesha Samuda (Women’s Doubles). Men’s Tennis: Brook Workeneh, (Men’s Singles), and Brook Workeneh and Collin Mui (Men’s Doubles). He highlighted that in Tennis, Chabot students won five out of six award categories. He also highlighted: Men’s Track: Arthur Ruvalcaba Steeplechase (1500 meters), Rhomel Clarke (800 meters). Women’s Swimming: Kelly Arth (50 meter butterfly). Further, he recognized Baseball Coach of the Year, Steve Friend; and Football Coach of the Year, Danny Calcagno.

Dental Hygiene: Dental Hygiene Students, Ms. Sara Troy, Ms. Gina Orozco, and Ms. Chloe Morgan presented a PowerPoint Presentation highlighting the Program’s Community Outreach efforts. Further, it was reported that the Class of 2013 had a 100% pass rate on the National Dental Hygiene Board Exam.

Science and Math Division – MESA Program: Ms. Tram Vo-Kumamoto and Ms. Donna Gibson, Coordinator MESA Program, presented a PowerPoint Presentation “Educate to Innovate.” It was reported that the MESA Program is a learning community designed to provide both academic and student services support to low income, first generation STEM majors. In addition, the program assists students to successfully transfer to a 4-year institution in a reasonable amount of time. The STEM Majors are Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. It was reported that the program is funded by a \$50,500 MESA Grant through the Chancellor’s Office, and \$50,000 match by Chabot College. It was reported that this funding allows the College to support approximately 100 students at \$1,000 per student per year. Ms. Vo-Kumamoto recognized the program partnerships: Hayward Library Afterschool Tutoring Program; CA Connects; NASA Ames Research Center; Bay Area Rapid Transport; and NIH Bridge to Baccalaureate Program, UC Berkeley. Program activities and enrollment statistics for Spring 2013 were highlighted. In conclusion, Ms. Vo-Kumamoto outlined the upcoming challenges, including funding to scale the MESA model to serve all STEM students.

Forensics: Mr. Jason Ames presented the National Award Winning Forensics Team, including Jeramie Brown, Sarah Knight, Jeffrey Chu, Ben Pearson, Richard Jenkins, Jenna Hewitt. Team Members spoke to what the program has meant to them. Part-time Coach Angela Gregory was recognized and praised by students and Mr. Ames.

Trustee Dr. Gin expressed appreciation to all the students who came this evening and congratulated all on the excellent year. He expressed that this is one Board Meeting that all the Board Members look forward to.

Trustee Mr. Gelles echoed Dr. Gin’s comments and also expressed appreciation to Staff.

Trustee Mrs. Dvorsky expressed appreciation to Faculty and Staff, and acknowledged the innovative programs. She expressed that this is truly a celebration of the students. In addition, she expressed that she looks forward to the Graduations.

Trustee Mr. Vecchiarelli expressed that this meeting is his favorite Board Meeting of the year, as it allows the Colleges to showcase student successes and College programs. He expressed that he would like to see this Board Meeting, as well as others, telecast so that the community can see that we have these programs.

Trustee Dr. Mertes noted that she agrees with Trustee Vecchiarelli that there is a need for more public recognition of what is occurring with students, faculty and our leadership.

Board President Dr. Cedillo reported that Boards deal with budgets, with policy, with facilities, with HR issues, and sometimes we lose focus about what we are really about. He expressed that this program tonight showcases who we are and what we are and gives us a

renewed vigor to continue doing what we do. He asked the Presidents and Chancellor to share with students, faculty, staff and administrators the Board's appreciation for what they do.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion No. 1

Trustee Mrs. Dvorsky made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dr. Gin, to adjourn the Study Meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for May 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the District Office.

Minutes prepared by:

Beverly Bailey
Recording Secretary

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