



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

**MINUTES  
September 13, 2022**

**PLACE**

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Office, 7600 Dublin Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Sbranti called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. Recording Secretary Maisha Jameson called the roll.

**1.2 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments were made on Closed Session items.

**1.4 CLOSED SESSION**

The board adjourned to a Closed Session at 5:05 p.m., which ended at 6:31 p.m.

Motion No. 1

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Heredia, to adjourn to Closed Session.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Gin, Granger, Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**1.5 OPEN SESSION**

The Board readjoined in Open Session at 6:37 p.m.

Recording Secretary Maisha Jameson called the roll.

**ATTENDANCE**

Members present: Trustee Hal Gin  
Trustee Linda Granger  
Trustee Maria Heredia  
Trustee Harris Mojadedi  
Trustee Luis Reynoso  
Board President Tim Sbranti  
Student Trustee Vivianna Patino

Recording Secretary: Maisha Jameson

Managers present: Ronald Gerhard, Chancellor  
Walt Blevins, District  
Jamal Cooks, Chabot College  
Julia Dozier, District  
Jennifer Druley, District  
Theresa Fleischer Rowland, District  
Wyman Fong, District  
Bruce Griffin, District  
Matt Kritscher, Chabot College  
Owen Letcher, District  
Jonah Nicholas, District  
Dionicia Ramos, District  
Rosalie Roque, District  
Dale Wagoner, Chabot College  
Jeanne Wilson, Las Positas College

*Others present:*

Tracey Coleman, President, Las Positas College Academic Senate  
Dave Fouquet, President of Faculty Association  
Heather Hernandez, President, Chabot College Classified Senate  
Jean O'Neil-Opipari, President, Las Positas College Classified Senate  
Theresa Pedrosa, President, Student Senate, Chabot College  
Rachel Ugale, Chapter President, SEIU  
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Jose Avila, Las Positas College  
Walt Blevins, District  
Bob Buell, Chabot College  
Gregory Correa  
Philomena Franco, Chabot College  
Ryan Fettes, SEIU  
Cathy Gould, District  
Jennifer Lininger, Las Positas College  
Greg Rees  
David Rodriguez, Las Positas College

## **1.6 PLEDGE TO FLAG**

Trustee Mojadedi led the pledge.

## **REPORT OUT: ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

No action was taken in Closed Session.

## **1.7 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David Rodriguez spoke in support of the district's classified professionals and noted that supporting classified professionals is supporting students. He also spoke to worker safety being a priority and that doing the bare minimum communicates a lack of care and concern. He shared some examples of ways to support the district's essential workers and classified workforce with care and dignity.

Greg Rees shared information on the "workplace bullying survey" and how it indicates that 72.1% of his classified colleagues have been abused. He shared concern about his comments being censored and is conducting an outreach program to personally inform others about his concerns in time for the November elections. He noted that he is collecting evidence against several district staff members and a trustee that he will disclose publicly.

Gregory Correa asked where the justice is for Greg Rees and spoke to his request for a meeting. He shared concern for laws being broken. He noted that he is a defender of people and walked with Cesar Chavez and the Black Panthers. He shared concern that "this place" is corrupt and noted that he is a fixture in this community, that he will continue to "tell it like it is", and will be going to school meetings to share what's going on. He noted that he would continue to fight for Greg Rees.

Philomena Franco read a statement on behalf of a SEIU member, A. Smith (a Financial Aid Advisor at LPC). She spoke to the changes within California, and how inflation and climate change are affecting our state. She indicated that there was a need for providing accommodations and language protecting workers working in poor and extreme conditions. She added that he is not asking for handouts, but rather support to make CLPCCD a great place for all of its workers.

Jennifer Lininger (LPC's Veterans First Program Outreach Specialist) spoke to what they do to support our veterans, and most importantly prevent veteran suicide. She noted that there are over 300 student veterans attending Las Positas College. On a national level, 22 veterans lose their lives to suicide every day. She invited everyone to the 2.2 for 22 Challenge for Veterans (October 21-22) – a challenge to participate in virtual activities for 22 days to raise awareness and funds for mental health programs and scholarships for student veterans at Las Positas College. There will be an in-person event the final day.

Jose Avila (VP of the Student Veteran Organization at Las Positas College) shared support for the 2.2 for 22 Challenge for Veterans (October 21-22). She noted that this was the first of many events and encouraged the community to join in the activities and event.

Bob Buell (Fire Technology Coordinator at Chabot College) spoke about celebrating Ray Albert, a former Fire Technology Coordinator at Chabot College and Acting Fire Chief for Alameda City who recently passed away. Mr. Buell shared that Mr. Albert believed in regionalization and encouraged the colleges to get involved with the State Chancellor's Office in order to stay ahead of change. He spoke of how Mr. Albert was a big supporter of combining fire and emergency medical services, including regional approaches to paramedic training. The partnership with the City of Hayward will hopefully provide a K-12 college to career, fire-based medic program given the real need for these types of professionals.

### **1.8 APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS (cc)**

\* Item 4.2 was pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to Action Items at the request of Trustee Granger.

\* Item 1.9 was pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to Action Items at the request of Trustee Gin.

***Vice Chancellor of Human Resources Wyman Fong read the following notice, "Government Code section 54953(c)(3) which requires that, before taking final action, the Board must orally report a summary of the recommendation regarding the salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of a local agency executives. Therefore, I am making the following summary regarding such items appearing on the consent agenda.***

*Item 3.3 (Management Personnel), pertains to final action by the Board regarding the approval for the following contracts of employment:*

- *Simon Abramowitsch, Interim Dean, Language Arts, Range 19, Step 1*
- *Gabriel Chaparro, Interim Dean, Health, Kinesiology, and Athletics, Range 19, Step 1*
- *Monica Olmedo, Interim Director, Hispanic-Serving Institution, Range 13, Step 1*
- *Carmen Ortiz, Interim Program Director, Early Childhood Development Laboratory School, Range 13, Step 1*
- *Rosalie Roque, District Budget and Grants Manager, Range 16, Step 4*

*The Contracts of Employment mentioned above are entitled to the same fringe benefit package as other managers per Board policy and procedures."*

*Item 3.4 (Executive Personnel – Consideration to Approve Chancellor's Employment Agreement), pertains to final action by the Board regarding the approval for the following contract of employment:*

- *The recommended compensation is \$362,304, which constitutes the COLA of 6.56%, for the 2022-2023 year with increases for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 years by the state-funded cost of living adjustment.*
- *The District will contribute \$10,000 annually to a 403(b) matching plan selected and established by the Chancellor and will establish an annual professional development program for the Chancellor.*
- *As for other benefits, the Chancellor shall receive all fringe benefits, such as health, dental, vision, long-term disability and life insurance, as are granted to all other District Administrators, as those benefits may change from time to time.*

Motion No. 2

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mojadedi, to approve the remaining Consent Calendar items.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:                   Gin, Granger, Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti  
 NOES:                   None  
 ABSENT:               None  
 ABSTENTIONS:       None

The following items were approved on the Consent Calendar:

3.0    PERSONNEL

- (cc) 3.1   Classified Personnel
- (cc) 3.2   Faculty Personnel
- (cc) 3.3   Management Personnel

4.0    EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- (cc) 4.1   Approval of Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Agreement between Revolution Foods, Inc. and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Chabot College
- (cc) 4.3   Approval of Agreement between the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office and Five Keys School and Programs and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Chabot College
- (cc) 4.4   Approval of Agreement for Support of Fresh Success Employment & Training Activities between the Foundation for California Community

- Colleges (FCCC) and the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Chabot College
- (cc) 4.5 Approval of Agreement – Subrecipient Commitment for California Learning Labs Social Tools to Support Collaborative and Inclusive Learning in Biology: Communities of Practice Agreement with University of California, Berkeley (UCB) and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Las Positas College
  - (cc) 4.6 Approval of Amendment to the Agreement with the California Department of Social Services and the California Early Childhood Mentor Program and Associated Subcontracts with the Community Colleges, Chabot College

## 5.0 BUSINESS SERVICES

- (cc) 5.1 Approval of Commercial Warrant Registers
- (cc) 5.2 Approval of Payroll Warrant Registers
- (cc) 5.3 Approval of Declaration of Surplus Property to be Sold at Public Auction Sale and Donation or Disposal of Any Items Not Sold
- (cc) 5.5 Approval of Budget Transfers

## 6.0 FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- (cc) 6.1 Approval of Award of Bid No. B21/22-13 to Golden Bay Construction, Inc. for the Fire Water Upgrades Project at Chabot College
- (cc) 6.2 Approval of Modification to the Contract with W.A. Thomas Co., Inc., for Bid No. 18-01, Biological Sciences B2100 Building Annex at Chabot College
- (cc) 6.3 Approval of Agreement for Professional Services with Fagen Friedman and Fulfrost, LLP
- (cc) 6.4 Approval of Award of Bid No. B22/23-01 to American Asphalt Repair & Resurfacing Co., Inc. for the Site Improvements Project at Chabot College

## 7.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/CONTRACT EDUCATION

- (cc) 7.1 Approval of Federal Award #AP-38894-22-60-A-6 between U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Economic Development

## 1.9 APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Approval of Minutes from the July 19, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Approval of Minutes of August 16, 2022 Regular Meeting  
Approval of Minutes of August 20, 2022 Board Retreat

**Item 1.9 was pulled from the Consent Calendar and added as an Action item at the request of Trustee Gin given that he was not present at the August 16, 2022 Regular Board meeting.**

Motion No. 3

Trustee Granger made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mojadedi, to approve the Minutes from the August 16, 2022 Regular Meeting and the Minutes from the August 20, 2022 Board Retreat.

Motion carried, 4-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Granger, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	Gin, Heredia

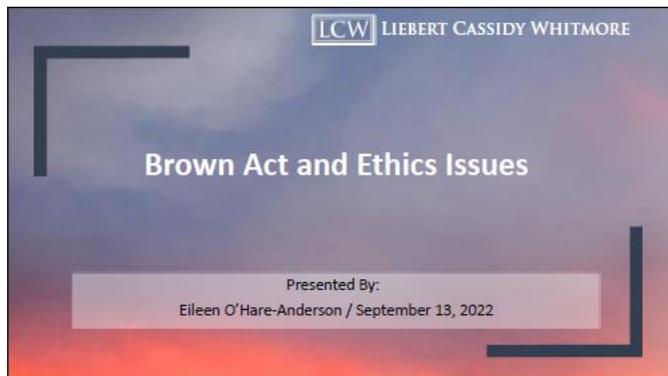
**1.10 PUBLIC HEARING: 2022-23 Adopted Budgets**

Board President Sbranti opened the Public Hearing at 6:57 p.m. on the 2022-23 BUDGETS: *General Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Child Development Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Self-Insurance (RUMBL) Fund, Measure B Fund and Measure A Fund.*

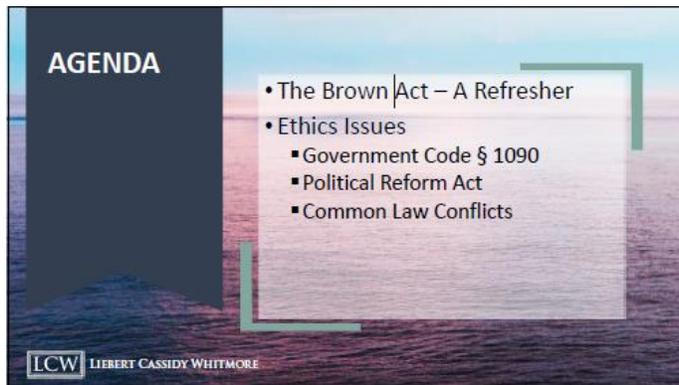
Hearing no comments, he closed the Public Hearing at 6:59 p.m.

**1.11 BOARD TRAINING: Brown Act and Ethics**

Chancellor Gerhard introduced outside legal counsel Eileen O’Hare-Anderson from the Liebert Cassidy Whitmore law firm to provide the required annual Board training on the Brown Act and Ethics.

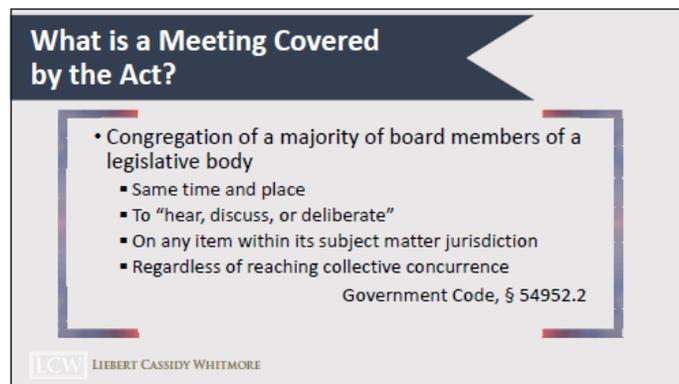


Counsel O'Hare Anderson provided an overview as to what she would cover in her training presentation.

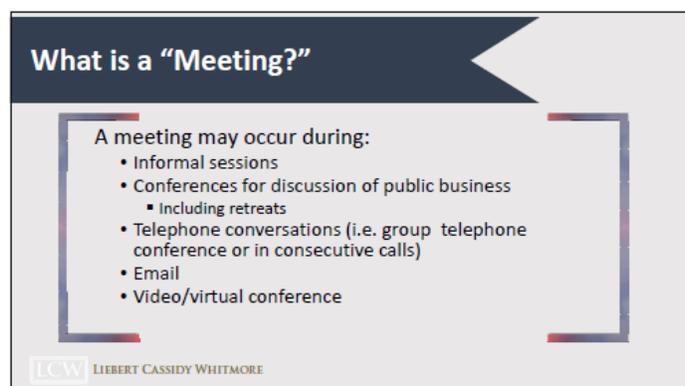


### BROWN ACT

All Board meetings are governed by the Brown Act. The definition of a Board meeting was provided. If the Board is hearing, discussing or deliberating, this constitutes a Board meeting.



A meeting can be held in any medium. Not all trustees need to be together all at once, and/or in the same place. Brown Act rules apply if you are discussing, hearing or deliberating district business.



Examples were shared on what constitutes a “serial meeting”.

### Be Careful – Serial Meetings Prohibited!

- No communication between board members that
  - Includes a majority through email, telephone, intermediaries, etc.
  - To hear, discuss, or deliberate on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the district
- Cannot use individual contacts to bypass Brown Act

Government Code, § 54952.2 subd. (b)

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The different types of meetings were discussed.

### Types of Meetings

- Regular meetings
- Special meetings
- Emergency meetings
- Teleconference meetings

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- Regular Meetings – are held at a time and place and are regularly scheduled. The Agenda must be posted at least 72 hours in advance in a location that is freely accessible. It must also be posted on our website.
- Special Meetings – can be called at any time and must be posted at least 24 hours in advance. You cannot add items to a Special meeting agenda after it's been posted. You also cannot set compensation for senior level leadership at a special meeting.
- Emergency Meetings – are allowed for a limited list of reasons, i.e. work stoppage, disaster or any other activity that affects or threatens public health or safety. Emergency meetings require a majority of the governing board. No written notice is required, but most give notice to the media.

### Closed Sessions

- Closed sessions are generally prohibited
- Common exceptions for closed session
  - Pending litigation
  - Personnel matters
  - Labor negotiations/relations
  - Student discipline/complaints

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- Discussions/Action in Closed Sessions are only allowed under the exceptions noted above.
- After Closed Session, if action is taken, the Board has to report out in Open Session the action taken and the vote or abstention of any member. If only direction was provided to the Chancellor or any legal counsel, then that does not have to be reported out.
- The confidentiality of Closed Session was discussed, as well as the serious sanctions for violations of Closed Session confidentiality, including discipline and/or referral to a grand jury.
- Examples were shared for the Board to confirm the types of items that should be discussed in Open vs. Closed Session.

## ETHICS

- There are three sources of law for Conflict of Interest regulations:
  - Government Code 1090 – *The general rule here is that a public officer or employee may not make contracts in which he/she has a financial interest. The penalties here are severe (civil/criminal).*
    - Examples were shared for the Board to understand the various types of conflict of interest issues that fall under Gov. Code 1090.
    - If there is a 1090 conflict, the entire Board is disqualified from acting/voting on the item.
  - The Political Reform Act – *The general rule here is that no public official may make, participate or use their position to influence a decision if there is a foreseeable financial interest.*
    - The Board member that has the conflict of interest may publicly identify the financial interest and then leave the room to refrain from participating.
    - Examples were provided for the Board to understand the types of conflict of interest issues that fall under the Political Reform Act.
  - The Common Law – (Judge-made law) *The general rule here is that public officials may not use their position for private benefit (economic or otherwise) and must act with the appearance of fairness.*
- Resources were shared for any questions related to Conflict of Interest.

**Resources**

- The Fair Political Practices Commission  
[www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)  
1-866-ASK-FPPC (1-866-275-3772)
- The Attorney General  
[www.ag.ca.gov](http://www.ag.ca.gov)

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## **2.0 REPORTS – FACULTY, CLASSIFIED AND STUDENT SENATES**

### **2.1 Presidents of Faculty Senates – Chabot College and Las Positas College**

**Mr. Miguel Colon, Chabot College Faculty Senate President, was not present and did not submit a written report.**

**Dr. Tracey Coleman, Las Positas College Academic Senate President, provided the following report:**

- Dr. Coleman noted that this month, the LPC Faculty Senate discussed their Senate goals and priorities for this academic year and identified senators who are interested in leading the charge for these goals through advisory committees.
  - Goal#1 – Support enrollment
  - Goal#2 – Supporting students after the passing of AB 1705
  - Goal#3 – Making LPC a destination campus
  - Goal#4 – Maximizing our budget and resources
  - Goal#5 – Implementation of Senate resolution to remove barriers in student forms and procedures.

### **2.2 Presidents of Classified Senates – Chabot College, Las Positas College, and District**

**Ms. Heather Hernandez, Chabot Classified Senate President, provided the following report:**

- Shared appreciation and support for SEIU colleagues that presented during public comment about classified union negotiations.
- Shared support for the new management position for a Director of Marketing and Communications being created for both colleges.
- Spoke in support of the updates being made to BP 1300 related to participation in district and college governance.
- Shared that their members look forward to welcoming Kennedy & Company to discuss barriers to enrollment.
- Noted that the Chabot College Senate looks forward to reviewing the Core Inquiries Response draft at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Flex Day. Spoke to the benefits of the tri-chair model for shared governance.
- Shared that Rachel Tupper-Eoff was appointed the new classified tri-chair for our Planning and Research Allocation Committee (PRAC).

**Ms. Jean O'Neil-Opipari, Las Positas College (LPC) Classified Senate President, provided the following report:**

- Noted that the LPC Classified Senate just confirmed their new officers for the school year and shared their names and roles.

<b>Jean O'Neil-Opipari</b>	President
<b>Aubrie Ross</b>	VP Activities
<b>Elizabeth "Liz" McWhorter</b>	VP Fundraising
VACANT	VP Communications
<b>Danielle Bañuelos</b>	Secretary
<b>Paula Rose</b>	Treasurer
<b>Helena Cruz</b>	CS Ambassador
<b>Ellie Hirstein</b>	CS Ambassador
<b>Maria Eastwood</b>	CS Ambassador
VACANT	CS Ambassador

- Spoke to the LPC Classified Senate's Priorities for 2022-23 and provided goals for each of these priorities: Student Success, Communication and Cooperation, Representation and Engagement, Professional Development/Wellness.
- Shared that the LPC Classified Senate is also 100% behind SEIU in their negotiation efforts.

**Ms. Joanne Bishop Wilbur, Chabot-Las Positas CCD Classified Senate President, was absent from the meeting.**

No report was given.

### **2.3 Presidents of Student Senate of Chabot College and Las Positas College Student Government**

**Ms. Theresa Pedrosa, Chabot College Student Senate President, provided the following report:**

- Shared that members of the Chabot College Student Senate will be going to the SSSCC Annual Professional Development Leadership Training event in San Francisco later this month.
- Spoke to how she is working on how to encourage more students to purchase food from the cafeteria and noted strategies that have been helping. Would like to expand opportunities for providing food for the night students.
- Spoke to the challenges with AC Transit and the advocacy going on to save the #60 Bus. Noted that the students don't have the money required for the Easy Pass fee (\$57/month).
  - Board President Sbranti asked for the Chancellor and college president to stay on top of this and to provide updates on this at a later date given that transportation continues to remain a barrier for student access.

**Ms. Lara Wiedemeier, Las Positas College Student Government President, was absent from the meeting.**

No report was given.

## **2.4 Constituency Reports: SEIU, Faculty Association**

**Ms. Rachel Ugale, SEIU President, gave the following report:**

- Acknowledged the colleges' classified senate leadership for sharing their support for SEIU's negotiation efforts. Also shared appreciation for the SEIU bargaining team and the members who shared their public comments at tonight's board meeting.
- Noted that she, along with SEIU's leadership team, are coordinating a marathon of labor member engagements with elected officials in their process for determining endorsements.
- Continued to provide bargaining updates on the following articles:
  - Article 3 (Non-discrimination) – Reached a tentative agreement.
  - Article 20 (Working Conditions) – Disappointed that much of the language they proposed was removed in the counter proposal they received.
  - Article 12.2 (Transfers and Vacancies) – Proposed changes to voluntary transfer language to streamline lateral transfers.
  - Article 4.11 (Anti-Bullying) – Proposed process changes that provide protection for those that have filed complaints against their managers/supervisors.

**Mr. Dave Fouquet, Faculty Association (FA) President, gave the following report:**

- Shared that the past month has been spent preparing the “blackline” of the Tentative Agreement (TA) for the Faculty to review, and then ultimately vote on in time for the agreement to be submitted to the October Board meeting for Board approval.
- Provided information on the General FA Meetings and discussion/presentations to-date on the key details of the TA.
- Spoke about implementation of the new CBA and how there are administrative details that need to be sorted out. Working with District leadership on this.
- Shared appreciation of the District's bargaining team and the support of Mary Armanuse in the HR Vice Chancellor's Office.

**Item 4.2 was pulled from the Consent Calendar and added as an Action item at the request of Trustee Granger so that she could recuse herself given a conflict of interest.**

- 4.2 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Eden Area Regional Occupational Program (EAROP) and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, Chabot College

Trustee Granger noted that she would need to recuse herself from voting on this item given that the MOU is with her employer. She stepped out of the room while the voting took place.

Motion No. 4

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mojadedi, to approve Item 4.2.

Motion carried, 5-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Gin, Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Granger
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**Item 5.4 was not a Consent Item, and hence a roll was called for this Action item.**

5.4 Adoption of 2022-23 Budgets for the General Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Child Development Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Self-Insurance (RUMBL) Fund, Measure B Fund and Measure A Fund

Chancellor Gerhard noted that the presentation on this item was provided at the August 16, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Motion No. 5

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Heredia, to approve Item 5.4.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Gin, Granger Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**Item 3.4 was not a Consent Item, and hence a roll was called for this Action item.**

3.4 Executive Personnel – Consideration to Approve Chancellor’s Employment Agreement

Board President Sbranti noted that agenda item 3.4 to consider approval of the Chancellor's Employment Agreement was not on the Consent Agenda, and hence also needs to be approved via roll call vote.

Motion No. 6

Trustee Granger made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gin, to approve Item 3.4.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Gin, Granger, Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**8.0 INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (No Action)**

8.1 Information Personnel Reports

- No discussion

8.2 Draft Board Priorities for 2022-25

- Chancellor Gerhard provided an overview as to the process for developing these draft Board Priorities for 2022-25.
  - The draft priorities were developed by the Board during their Board Retreat held on August 20, 2022. Since then, we have solicited feedback from the trustees for any additional edits. That feedback is captured via track-changes in the version being reviewed tonight.

Questions/Comments:

- Trustee Granger – noted that the Board didn't get to discuss their Board Goals at the last retreat and asked how that would be done.
  - Chancellor Gerhard responded that the Board would have time to discuss/determine their Board Goals and Value Statements at a Board meeting sometime this fall after the approval of the Board priorities.

8.3 Annual Distance Education Reports for Chabot College and Las Positas College

- No discussion

8.4 LPC Shared Governance Handbook

- No discussion

## 8.5 Board Policy (BP) 2350

- Board President Sbranti noted that this was an item that Trustee Reynoso wanted to bring forward, and hence he turned it over to Trustee Reynoso to speak to this agenda item.
- Trustee Reynoso shared that this item is related to public comments and noted that some of the research that has been done shows that there are other districts that hold public comments at the end of their meetings. He noted that he is proposing that our district move public comment to the end of the Board meeting agendas in order to encourage more public participation. He shared that he thinks this would be a better schedule that would allow the public more time to get to the meetings. He suggested that this be tried out on a trial basis for now to see how it works.
- President Sbranti asked for Chancellor Gerhard and Gin to provide history on how this has been handled within our district.
  - Chancellor Gerhard noted public comment is currently placed at the beginning of the Board meeting agenda in accordance with Board Policy (BP) 2350 and has been so as long as he has been Chancellor. If the Board would like to change the order of the agenda in this way, this BP would need to be revised and then be sent through the standard review and approval process. Spoke to the research that was done and noted that less than a handful of the community colleges within the State hold their public comments at the end of their meetings.
  - Trustee Gin noted that for at least the past 17 years, public comment has been at the beginning of the Board meeting agenda. He shared that this proposed change has come up before, and it has always stayed at the top of the agenda. Trustee Gin provided the reasons as to why this was the case and the benefits of holding public comment at the beginning of the meeting and the drawbacks to pushing it to the end of the meetings.
- Trustee Reynoso clarified that during Public Comment, the public should be speaking to items that are not on the agenda.

## Questions/Comments:

- Trustee Sbranti – indicated that this may send the wrong signal that we are trying to discourage public participation.
- Trustee Granger – also leaning towards leaving things as is because she feels it may send the wrong message.
- Trustee Mojadedi – noted that from an “access” lens, he doesn’t want to create any more barriers for the public to participate and speak to the board. Shared that our regional Bay 10 community college colleagues all have their public comment at the beginning of their meetings and he would like to keep ours in alignment.
- Trustee Heredia – shared that she could see both points, but feels that keeping public comment at the beginning of meetings would be best. She noted that it would be ideal if public comments could be taken during discussion of agenda items.
- Trustee Reynoso – noted that if we are going to keep public comment at the beginning of our meetings, we should also move up the reports from our constituent leads to the beginning of the meeting so that the public can hear those reports as well.

- President Sbranti noted that he is more supportive of this than moving public comment to the end. Maybe this can be brought back for further discussion because this agenda item is related to the Board Policy on public comment.

## **9.0 OTHER ACTION ITEMS (No Items)**

## **10.0 REPORTS – SENIOR LEADERSHIP AND TRUSTEES**

### **10.1 Presidents of Chabot College and Las Positas College**

**Dr. Jeanne Wilson gave the following report on behalf of Dr. Dyrell Foster, President of Las Positas College:**

Noted that at Las Positas College, they value partnerships and collaboration, particularly within their local community. Provided information on a partnership with Livermore Valley Arts that allows for LPC's support and participation in the annual community cultural event series. This is an opportunity for marketing as well. As a part of the partnership, Las Positas College will be acknowledged on all of the publicity and marketing materials for the events, and will also have a booth at the events.

**Dr. Matthew Kritscher gave the following report on behalf of Dr. Susan Sperling, President of Chabot College:**

Noted that it has been a busy first few weeks of classes on campus. Highlighted some of the Welcome Week activities and events that have taken place. Indicated that the Student Senate did a wonderful job planning and welcoming students. Spoke to how the new mural has become a landmark on campus and a popular place for photos. Spoke to the celebration with Davis Street partners for their 50th Annual Fundraiser. Shared that this series of activities and events has helped build enrollment, which is currently up 1% from last fall at Chabot.

Spoke to the Supplemental Flex Day taking place this Thursday (9/15) to focus on accreditation.

Spoke to the first meeting that was held with the Chabot Area Counseling Collaborative (local counselors) and how this is good news for streamlining the dual enrollment processes for our C-Cap schools.

### **10.2 Chancellor**

**Chancellor Gerhard gave the following report:**

Recently attended the Tri-Valley Mayor's Summit where our Board Chair was the MC/moderator. He noted that it was nice to hear from the mayors of their interest in pursuing partnering with us on student housing.

Shared that he brought his children to the viewing of the James Webb telescope photos this past weekend. Nice to see so many community members there.

Looking forward to attending LPC's Steinway Designation Gala.

### **10.3 Recognitions**

#### **Chancellor Gerhard gave the following recognitions:**

Shared that Student Trustee Wiedemeier sent her regrets that she has to step down as the Las Positas College Student Trustees due to academic commitments. Chancellor Gerhard noted that he would like to recognize Ms. Wiedemeier for her impact in such a short time, including advocacy around AB 1705. Spoke to the plans to hold a special election to fill this student trustee vacancy. Ms. Wiedemeier is still serving in her capacity as the Student Senate President at LPC but they are under-staffed with their appointees as far as sending members to attend and represent at meetings.

Board President Sbranti shared concern about not having student voices at the Board meetings.

### **10.4 Trustee Reports and/or Official Communications**

#### **Ms. Vivianna Patino, Chabot College Student Trustee**

Elected as a CCCT Student Trustee and will be taking her Oath in Sacramento on Friday.

Last week she met with student trustees across the state, and she shared a few highlights:

- Shared that Bill 367 (on menstrual equity) passed, but hasn't seen this being implemented at our colleges.
- The need for fundraising
- Student Trustee equity in pay (shared why this is a concern).
- Allowing student trustees to make motions and have advisory votes.

Chancellor Gerhard noted that we are currently working to update the Board Policy on student trustees to incorporate some of these suggested changes, specifically with regard to compensation and advisory votes.

**Trustee Gin**

Thanked Eileen O'Hare-Anderson for her Brown Act and Ethics Training.

Glad we passed a good budget this year.

Offered congratulations to Student Trustee Patino for being elected to the CCCT Board as a student trustee.

**Trustee Granger**

Trustee Granger felt it was a good meeting and shared appreciation for the reports from everyone. Thanked everyone for their efforts in creating a sense of belonging for our students and adapting to our new normal.

**Trustee Reynoso**

No report provided.

**Trustee Heredia**

Thanked everyone for a great beginning to a new academic school year.

Shared congratulations to Student Trustee Patino for her election as a student trustee on the CCCT Board.

Happy that the Omicron booster is available.

Noted that she is looking forward to the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations that are coming up next month. Shared some information on some events coming up.

**Trustee Mojadedi**

Noted that it was great to hear all of the constituent reports and to hear all of the great work going on as it relates to welcoming students and creating a sense of belonging for them.

Congratulated President Foster for being chosen as an Aspen Fellow. Noted that this is a prestigious honor for both President Foster and our district. Noted that he is looking forward to learning from all that President Foster brings back to our district.

**Board President Sbranti**

No report provided.

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion No. 7

Trustee Gin made a motion, seconded by Trustee Granger, to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Gin, Granger, Heredia, Mojadedi, Reynoso, Sbranti
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**12.0 CLOSED SESSION**

There was no need for Closed Session.

**13.0 NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, CA.

Minutes prepared by:

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