

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

**MINUTES**

**May 6, 2008**

**PLACE**

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. All Board Members were present at the time of roll. The Board immediately adjourned to a Closed Session which ended at 6:30 p.m. The Board readjoined in Open Session at 6:35 p.m. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. Ms. Morrissey was absent at the time of roll.

**ATTENDANCE**

Members Present:           Dr. Arnulfo Cedillo  
                                  Mrs. Isobel F. Dvorsky  
                                  Mr. Donald L. "Dobie" Gelles  
                                  Dr. Hal G. Gin  
                                  Dr. Alison Lewis  
                                  Dr. Barbara F. Mertes  
                                  Mr. Carlo Vecchiarelli  
                                  Mr. Dayne Nicholls

Members Absent:           Ms. Frances Morrissey

Managers Present:         Dr. Joel L. Kinnamon, Chancellor  
                                  Dr. Celia Barberena, President, Chabot College  
                                  Dr. DeRionne Pollard, President, Las Positas  
                                  College  
                                  Mrs. Jennifer Aries  
                                  Mr. Ken Agustin  
                                  Dr. Robert Carlson  
                                  Mr. Tom Clark  
                                  Dr. Gene Groppetti  
                                  Dr. MaryAnne Gularte

Mr. Farhad Javaheripour  
Dr. Laurel Jones  
Mr. Jeffrey Kingston  
Mr. Robert Kratochvil  
Mr. Lorenzo Legaspi  
Ms. Pam Luster  
Ms. Melinda Matsuda  
Ms. Laura Weaver

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Beverly Bailey

Others Present :

Mr. Jason Ames  
Mr. Waiz Badar, President, Associated Students of Chabot  
College  
Mr. Jack Barnwell  
Ms. Caressa Barrera  
Mr. Hector Moreno Bravo  
Ms. Tiffany Breger, ASLPC  
Mr. Jack Bishop  
Mr. Christian Blanco, ASLPC  
Ms. Amanda Cervantez, ASLPC  
Mr. A.S. Cobb  
Mr. Greg Daubenmire, President, Las Positas College  
Faculty Senate  
Ms. Juhandryn Dessame  
Mr. Ken Eberhard  
Mr. Chad Mark Glen  
Mr. Dov Hassan  
Mr. Keith Jolly  
Ms. Nina Kiger  
Mr. Rodrigo Blanco-Martinez, ASCC  
Mr. Bill McDonald  
Ms. Kayla Moreland, President, Associated Students of Las  
Positas College  
Mr. Steven Navarro  
Ms. Nancy O'Connell  
Ms. Dawn Plaskon  
Ms. Elaine Rasmussen  
Ms. Cynthia Ross  
Mr. Randy Sao  
Mr. Stephen Small, Automotive Service Council of  
California, Chapter 16

Mr. Todd Steffan, Las Positas College Classified Senate  
Mr. Randy Taylor  
Ms. Susan Tong  
Ms. Rachel Ugale, President, Chabot College Classified  
Senate  
Ms. Li-Keng Wong  
Mr. Ruben Yanez  
Ms. Roshana Yousef, ASLPC

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Stephen Small, Automotive Service Councils of California, Chapter 16 and Faculty Member, reminded the Board and Administration of their School Recognition Night on May 13 at Doral's Auto Repair in San Leandro. He reported that they have raised over \$5,500 combined with \$1,500 donated by Chapter 16 for over \$7,000 to be used for prizes. He reported he is working with Ms. Heidi Finberg of the Chabot College Foundation on donations.

### **ESTABLISHMENT OF RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STUDENT TRUSTEES FOR 2008-09**

#### Motion No. 1

Dr. Gin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cedillo, to establish the rights and duties of the Student Trustees for 2008-09 per Education Code 72023.5 and Board Policy 7030 as follows: a) Student Trustees may make and second motions; and b) Student Trustees will receive a maximum of \$100 each per month in compensation; and that these rights and duties become effective upon adoption.

Dr. Kinnamon noted that a new recommendation is included in the Board's folders and on the tables which includes reference to Board Policy 7030 (Monthly Meeting Compensation).

Dr. Lewis clarified that this compensation amount is per the Education Code and is not set by the District.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

**RECOGNITION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES**

President Vecchiarelli recognized Mr. Dayne Nicholls for his service on the Board as Student Trustee for Chabot College for 2007-08 and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Ms. Morrissey was not in attendance to receive her Certificate of Appreciation.

**PRESENTATION OF EMERITUS RETIREMENTS**

Both College Presidents recognized Faculty and Staff present on their Emeritus Retirements as follows:

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William "Bill" McDonald (2/3/92 – 5/28/08)

Kenneth Eberhard (9/8/69 – 7/1/08)

Nina Kiger (12/4/91 – 7/1/08)

Gene Groppetti (9/8/75 – 7/1/08)

Dr. Barberena also recognized Faculty and Staff unable to attend tonight's meeting who have been bestowed the title of Emeritus as follows:

David Arovola (9/14/70 – 6/1/08)

Karen Hashimoto (9/10/84 – 7/1/08)

Robert Hughes (8/14/95 – 6/1/08)

Sarah "Sally" Jahnke (9/1/98 – 9/5/08)

Barbara Lawrence (6/29/70 – 7/22/08)

Daniel Leonardi (9/10/74 – 6/1/08)

Nan McDonnell (12/5/79 – 7/24/08)

Las Positas College

Keith Jolly (9/11/84 – 7/1/08)

Mr. Jolly spoke proudly of his experience at Las Positas College, noting that he was especially proud that he was instrumental in developing the hiring process for Las Positas College.

**PRESENTATION OF END-OF-YEAR RECOGNITIONS**

Both College staffs recognized Outstanding Students, acknowledging those in attendance.

Las Positas College

Dr. Pollard stressed Las Positas College's model of "Keeping Students First" and noted that they are extremely proud of their students and their successes. She also recognized faculty.

Outstanding students from Anthropology, Forensics, Mass Communications, World Affairs Council Scholarships, Women's Basketball Team, Men's Basketball Team, Cross Country Team, Psi Beta/Psychology, ASLPC, AGS, and Phi Theta Kappa Awards were recognized.

In attendance and recognized from the Express Staff was Ms. Juhandryn Dessame. Also in attendance and recognized from ASLPC was Kayla Moreland, Tiffany Breger (incoming President), Amanda Cervantez, Roshana Yousef, and Christian Blanco. Ms. Kayla Moreland and Ms. Tiffany Breger were also recognized as AGS Bell Award Winners; and Christian Blanco was recognized as an AGS Robert Montavani Award Winner.

Ms. Pam Luster recognized Randy Taylor and Cynthia Ross for their efforts and many hours of inspiration to students.

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Dr. Barberena noted that it is a great personal pleasure to present the "cream of the crop"-those that have "bubbled up" because of their talent, hard work and knowledge. She recognized that it is the faculty and staff that molds and draws that talent out of them (students) and helps them develop into the individuals that they are. Dr. Barberena highlighted this by sharing that she met with the Region 9 Director for the Office of Health and Human Services, Mr. Tom Lorentzen, who credits an instructor who encouraged him to pursue his talent of writing—Dr. Barbara Mertes.

Outstanding students from Mass Communication, Art, Theater, Forensics, Automotive Technology, Mathematics, Athletics, PACE, Quest and ASCC were recognized.

In attendance and recognized from Mass Communications (Radio and Television) were Caressa Barrera, Ruben Yanez, and Hector Moreno Bravo. Also in attendance and recognized were Jack Barnwell, Journalism (Spectator); Elaine Rasmussen, Clay Sculpture; Randy Sao and A.S. Cobb, Forensics; Dawn Plaskon, PACE; Waiz Badar, Rodrigo Blanco-Martinez and Dayne Nicholls, ASCC; and Li-Keng Wong, Quest. Ms. Rasmussen spoke to the Board about her experience in the Clay Sculpture Program and her experience attending the Clay Sculpture Conference in Davis. Forensics Team Members Sao and Cobb spoke of their positive experiences at Chabot College on the Forensics Team. Ms. Li-Keng Wong proudly spoke of her published book, "Good Fortune: My Journey to Gold Mountain", crediting her experiences at Chabot College.

Board Members acknowledged the student successes, and the support of exemplary faculty and staff. Board Members were presented with Radio Station KCRH t-shirts.

Mr. Gelles noted that “This is the best event we have each year” and “he enjoys the spirit of the advisors and the faces of the students.”

Dr. Lewis noted that “this is a wonderful event, “overwhelming.” “It is the big picture for the Board as well as the individual achievement of each student.” “Each one is so special.” “The success of the students, of the faculty and classified staff and the support of the administration, it is why we are all here.”

Dr. Mertes noted that she is “so proud of the students, faculty and leadership of the Colleges.” “We are so fortunate to have such fine Colleges in our community and also to have the people who are willing to put in the time and energy and creativity to make this an outstanding recognition of human achievement.”

Mrs. Dvorsky noted that this was a wonderful evening. “Listening to the accomplishments of our students - it doesn’t happen in a vacuum – it happens because they have tremendous support from wonderful faculty and staff and leadership at the Colleges and the District.” These are wonderful Colleges and anyone who ever says anything in a derogatory way about a community college is going to hear from me.” She expressed that “there isn’t a UC or CSU that can top our students, our faculty, and our leadership at the Colleges.”

Dr. Gin noted that “this is by far the evening I think all of us look forward to.” He directed to Ms. Wong that he can relate to what she was saying and congratulated her in Chinese.

Dr. Cedillo noted that “this is a wonderful evening” and “his hat is off to all of you.”

Mr. Nicholls congratulated his fellow students and wished those transferring well.

Mr. Vecchiarelli noted that “he always talks about being number one and tonight there are a lot of number ones that came forward.” He is “really proud of all of you.” He also noted that he will miss many of the retirees and extended a special goodbye to Gene Gropetti in Italian.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at the District Office at 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Motion made by Mrs. Dvorsky and seconded by Dr. Lewis.

Minutes completed by:

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Beverly Bailey

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