# CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES RETREAT

# MINUTES February 22, 2013

## **PLACE**

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, 7600 Dublin Blvd., Suite 102, Dublin, California.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. Recording Secretary Beverly Bailey called the roll. Board Member Mrs. Dvorsky was absent at the time of roll.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Members Present: Trustee Arnulfo Cedillo

Trustee Isobel F. Dvorsky (arrived at 9:50 a.m.)

Trustee Donald L. "Dobie" Gelles

Trustee Hal G. Gin

Trustee Barbara F. Mertes Trustee Marshall Mitzman Trustee Carlo Vecchiarelli

Student Trustee Mr. Kris Adhikari participated in the

discussion of Board Policy 2015

Members Absent: None

Managers Present: Dr. Judy E. Walters, Interim Chancellor

Recording Secretary: Ms. Beverly Bailey

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Dawn Girardelli spoke to the Board in regards to the non-renewal of her contract at Chabot College.

#### **BOARD SELF-EVALUATION**

Dr. Walters reviewed the summary of the Board's Self-Evaluation forms.

Board Member Mr. Vecchiarelli clarified a comment made on his Self-Evaluation, requesting that the warrant list be categorized with totals within each category.

Board President Dr. Cedillo requested that the Chancellor look into the feasibility of Mr. Vecchiarelli's request, noting that he does not want to add extra work for District Office Staff.

Dr. Walters noted that issues brought to her attention in the Board's Self-Evaluations that will be important with a new Chancellor include Communication and Confidentiality. She noted that when the Board hires a new Chancellor, he/she will want to know the Board's long-range expectations. Dr. Walters suggested that these be included in the Chancellor's contract.

Dr. Walters distributed to the Board copies of the Ethics Statement, which all but one Board Member signed and returned.

Board President Dr. Cedillo expressed that he is pleased with the Board's Self-Evaluation, noting that it is a road map of where the Board needs to improve. He thanked Board Members for their honesty. He expressed that "we" as Board Members are individuals that want the best for the District. He expressed the importance of respect and integrity for each other. He noted that when Board Members get personally involved, the Board can't make the decisions that need to be made. He stressed that Members work as a Board and decisions are made by a Board.

#### PROCESS TO EVALUATE CURRENT MISSION AND VISION

Board Members participated in a paired exercise to identify Themes, Values and Vision for the purpose of crafting a Draft Mission Statement.

# **REVIEW OF BOARD POLICIES**

Dr. Walters reviewed each of the draft Board Policies and Administrative Procedures in Chapter 2, which deal with the Board of Trustees. She reported that these Policies and Procedures will come to the Board at its March 19 Board Meeting for First Reading. She reported that these Policies/Procedures have been distributed to the Shared Governance Constituent Groups in Chancellor's Council.

Student Trustee Mr. Kris Adhikari joined the Board for the discussion of Board Policy 2015 regarding Student Trustees. He requested that Student Trustees be given the right to provide an Advisory Vote. He also expressed the need for formal training of Student Trustees with the Chancellor.

Board President Dr. Cedillo noted that Student Trustees are allowed to make and second motions. He expressed that Students' power is in their voice; and stressed that Students need to be heard. Dr. Cedillo expressed the concern that Student Trustees may not understand the ramifications of motions and votes. He expressed that Students only serve on the Board one year.

It was the consensus of the Board to not provide at this time an Advisory Vote to Student Trustees.

Board Member Dr. Gin requested that the Board President turn to the Students for their comments and concerns on issues discussed at the Board Meetings. Dr. Gin expressed that Student Trustees are the "eyes and ears" of Students.

In summary, Board President Dr. Cedillo stressed that in reviewing the Board Agenda, Student Trustees should express any questions or concerns to the Chancellor prior to the Meeting.

Dr. Walters reported that a formal orientation for Student Trustees will be established and included in the Administrative Procedures. She noted that the orientation will be held at the beginning of the Student Trustees' term, which begins May 15 each year.

Student Trustee Adhikari thanked the Board for its input.

In reviewing the Board Policy regarding Minutes of Meetings, Trustee Mr. Gelles made a motion that the minutes reflect titles, i.e. Dr., Mr., Mrs., of Board Members rather than "Trustee." The Board agreed by consensus.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned the Retreat at 2:50 p.m.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at the District Office, 7600 Dublin Blvd., Third Floor, Dublin, at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes completed by:
Beverly Bailey
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Chabot-Las Positas Community College District