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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING SESSION MEETING OF TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2009

The Planning Session of the Board of Trustees of the Ventura County Community College District was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at the District Administrative Center Multi-Purpose Room, Ventura, California.

#### ROLL CALL

# **Board Members Present:**

Absent: Cheryl Heitmann, Trustee

Robert O. Huber, Chair

Stephen P. Blum, Esq., Vice Chair

Arturo D. Hernández, Trustee

Larry O. Miller, Trustee

Nick Turner, Student Trustee

# **Management Present:**

James Meznek. Chancellor

Robin Calote, President, Ventura College

Richard Durán, President, Oxnard College

Pam Eddinger, President, Moorpark College

Richard Dawe, Vice Chancellor, Planning and Organizational Development

Patricia Parham, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources

Clare Geisen, Director

#### **Faculty/Staff/Student Representatives:**

P. Scott Corbett, Academic Senate President, Oxnard College

Robert Cabral, Academic Senate President Elect, Oxnard College

Peter Sezzi, Academic Senate President, Ventura College

Barbara Cogert, Classified Senate President, Ventura College

Eileen Welser, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor

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#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Huber called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m., with Trustee Heitmann absent.

#### PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Trustee Miller led the pledge to the flag.

### **ACTION**

### Trustees/Chancellor

**A-1 Public Swearing in and Seating of Student Member** was moved by Trustee Miller, seconded by Vice Chair Blum and carried on a 4-0 vote, with Trustee Heitmann absent, to approve the public swearing in and seating of Nick Turner, Student Member, to serve for the term from June 1, 2009, to May 31, 2010. Chair Huber administered the Oath of Office to Student Member Nick Turner

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### **OPEN PLANNING SESSION**

At 6:20 p.m. Chair Huber opened the Planning Session.

Dr. Richard Dawe introduced Dr. Sal Rinella, the facilitator for the planning session. Dr. James Meznek commented on the proposed update to the District Mission Statement to produce student learning in lower division level academic transfer and career/vocational degree and certificate programs. The revised District Mission statement will be discussed during the District Chancellor's

Consultation Council on June 11, 2009.

**Progress Updates on District Objectives**. Pam Eddinger, Moorpark College President; Richard Durán, Oxnard College President; and Robin Calote, Ventura College President reviewed the following items:

- Strengthen District-wide Student Access, Enrollment, and Success
- Create reasonable progressive increases in Instructional Productivity for Moorpark, Oxnard, and Ventura Colleges
- Complete Data Driven Updated Educational Master Plans for Moorpark, Oxnard, and Ventura Colleges.
- Seek Innovative Ways to Collaborate with Affiliated District High Schools that will Foster Opportunities to Partner in Transfer Pathways, Career and Technical Education Programs, strengthen STEM (Science Technical Education Mathematics) and Other new Initiatives in Curriculum Advancement.

Review and Discuss the Ventura County Community College District Core Mission. Dr. Rinella provided an overview of the agenda for the meeting.

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Dr. Meznek indicated the primacy of mission is lower division collegial instruction for transfer and career/vocational degree and certificate programs. It was pointed out one of the District's mission was to assist students in matriculating to the main program to ensure they achieve: 1) academic transfer, 2) career/vocational degree, or 3) certificate program. The Board discussed the proposed mission statement and it was decided to place the Mission Statement Policy on the July Board agenda for approval.

# Recap Discussion and Present Focus Group Topics on Highest Priority Objectives

Dr. Sal Rinella (Facilitator). The areas the Board felt were important were as follows:

- 1. Access, Enrollment and Student Success
- 2. Professional Development
- 3. Partnerships with HS and 4-Year
- 4. Economic Development
- 5. Instructional Productivity while Maintaining Quality
- 6. Prudent Fiscal Stewardship is a Priority.

The College Presidents, academic senate presidents, and classified senate president provided input on highest priority objectives.

At 8:13 p.m. the meeting was recessed and reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

**Focus Group Discussions (Breakout Sessions).** During the breakout sessions, the following questions were asked regarding the objectives:

- Access and Student Success
- Partnerships with High Schools and Colleges and Universities
- Economic Development
  - 1. What are we currently doing that we should continue to do?
  - 2. Ideas not currently thinking about that we could be doing?
  - 3. What are the things we currently doing that are costing us time, energy, and resources that are not on the list and consider phasing them out?

At the July Board meeting, Dr. Sal Rinella will provide a report on the planning session. The Board and Chancellor acknowledged Dr. Rinella and those who participated in the Planning Session.

Chair Huber announced Dr. Richard Dawe would be leaving the Ventura County Community College District to assume a presidency at Ozarka College. The Board thanked Dr. Dawe for a job well done.

## **CLOSE PLANNING SESSION**

At 8:55 p.m. Chair Huber closed the Planning Session.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.