



Foundation for the Compton Community College District

FCCCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, May 11th, 2010

CCCD Board Room 5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board Members in Attendance: Ronald Gerhard, Sherri Franklin, Dr. Lawrence Cox, Dasol Mashaka, Rodney Murray, James E. Castillo, Martin Vargas, Tony Williams, and Dr. Nelly Rodriguez.

Absent: Mohammad H. Khalilzadeh, Dr. John Phalen, and Dr. Ikaweba Bunting.

Guests in Attendance: Julia Sylva, Legal Counsel; and Kimberly Baker, Admin. Assist. for the Foundation.

Call to Order

President Tony Williams called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes for the April 13th meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

Review Agenda

President, Mr. Tony Williams, reviewed the agenda items and facilitated the discussion.

Financial Report

Treasurer Ronald Gerhard distributed the Financial Report to members. A presentation of the report was followed by a brief discussion.

Director's Report

Mr. Pazos reported on the progress and special arrangements for the Awards Tea, Sunday, May 16th. Besides honoring students with 11 scholarships, Board members and donors will also be recognized. Pazos also provided an update on the Alumni Event Honoring Dr. Sykes which was moved to a later date in order to better prepare and plan. An Alumni focus group meeting was held with important suggestions on how to cultivate and engage the Alumni.

Mr. Pazos reported the Alumni Database was created out of the 60,000 names submitted. A solid group of 11,000 names with correct addresses, phone numbers; in addition, 5,000 emails, and wealth scores for the top 10% are now uploaded in Razor's Edge.

A brief report on the plan to develop a grants program was also presented with clear progress made now that the grant research consultant was onboard. Over 20 grants for scholarships and operations had been identified already with a list submitted to EC.

Mr. Pazos also reported on the donations from staff & faculty. During the last District Board meeting, the Classified Union Treasurer presented the Foundation with a check for \$600 towards the Osher scholarship, with additional contributions by the counselors at EOP&S (a total of \$900). More presentations are scheduled along with new strategies for engaging the faculty & staff.

Compton Community College District Report

Dr. Cox invited the Board to attend the graduation ceremony June 10th. Dr. Cox also recognized the hard work of the Athletics Department during their fundraiser. He provided a brief overview of the FMAC visit this summer and the accreditation process. Dr. Cox also spoke about the Nisei Project and the current plans to honor those Japanese Americans that were prevented from graduating when they were sent to the internment camps.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Mr. Williams, after consultation with the EC and Mr. Masaka, asked each Board member to develop a list of at least two potential new board members in order to help the recruitment of new Board members.

Mr. Williams also reported that during the April Board meeting, a motion was made to have the EC make a recommendation on areas of support and focus. After a lengthy dialogue, the EC agreed to the following recommendations:

- Create a Scholarship Committee chaired by VP Marty Vargas that Board members and selected representatives from staff and faculty can join. The goal is to create specific procedures and guidelines to implement the Leadership Awards and Summer Scholarships.
- Create a Leadership Award fund in the amount of \$5,000.
- Create a Summer Scholarship Program fund in the amount of \$10,000.

After a lengthy discussion of the structure of our current committees, the need for a new chair for the Policy Committee, and the need to create a Finance Committee, a motion was made and second for the Executive Committee to look at the current BYLAWS and bring a recommendation to the Board for the realignment of all committees.

Board Development Committee – Mr. Mashaka reported on the progress being made by the committee and the need to identify programs and departments from Compton Center that could be used to better market our efforts.

New Business

Julia Sylva, Legal Counsel, made an informative presentation about the “Understanding the Ralph M. Brown Act”.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.