BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, May 10, 2005, 5:34 PM, 333 E. 8th Street, Oakland, California, 94606

Present:

Trustees Clifton, González Yuen, Gulassa, Handy, Hodge, Withrow, President Riley, Student

Trustee Watkins-Tanner

Absent:

None

The regular meeting was convened into open session at 5:34 PM by President Riley for the purpose of reporting to the public the topics to be discussed in closed session. The closed session convened at 5:34 PM by President Riley who presided; the closed session adjourned at 7:13 PM; the regular meeting convened at 7:23 PM by President Riley who presided. The roll was called by the recording secretary.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

President Riley announced that at tonight's closed session, the Board approved the classified positions of Bursar, Laney College, Research & Planning Officer, Merritt College and Staff Assistant/Business Services, Merritt College.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTON:

Upon a motion by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Withrow, the Board voted

unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

MINUTES

1. Consider Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meetings of April 12 and April 26, 2005

Included in agenda packets for Trustee consideration were the minutes of the April 12, 2005 and April 26, 2005 Board of Trustee meetings. The Chancellor recommended approval.

ACTION:

Upon a motion by Trustee González Yuen, seconded by Trustee Withrow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings of April 12 and 26, 2005, amending the April 12, 2005 minutes, Item 31, ¶ 8, add "as required by relative laws."

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS PRESIDENTS

Laney Associated Students President Watkins-Tanner informed that 27 schools and over 200 students were in attendance at the recent Malcolm X Consciousness Conference. Ms. Watkins-Tanner announced that Jason Turner has been elected to a State level office through CalSAC.

Rashad Andrews, AS President Elect and Student Trustee Elect, addressed Trustees stating that Merritt is hosting the CalSAC Region 3 meeting on May 13.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Speakers Lord and Sanford informed that a meeting took place at Laney College this date - "Building Our Future: A Laney Facilities Vision Plan" - that began to define the overall vision for Laney's facilities. The joint meeting

included students, faculty and staff with the outcomes delineated on a hand-out highlighting the following summary areas: create an inviting external space; create an inviting internal space; centralize instructional support services; expand student support services; environmentally conscious, and new multi-level parking structure. This is the first of a series of meetings that will be held.

Speaker Rogers urged that any Board decisions relative to use of Laney lands move through a process of shared governance. Speaker Rogers urged Board members who have a conflict of interest relative to an agreement with SUDA recuse themselves from voting on the agreement, referring to the regulations outlined in the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

ACTION - ROLL CALL ITEMS

2. Approval of Contract Extension for One Year with Vavrinek, Trine, & Day, LLC, External Auditors

The Board's Audit & Finance Committee which met on Thursday, April 14, 2005, reviewed the attached audit engagement letter from Vavrinek, Trine, & Day, LLC (VTD). After review and consideration, District administration recommends the continuation of the professional services agreement with VTD to provide external auditing services for Peralta's annual financial report for one fiscal year (July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005).

The three-year contract with VTD expired after completion of the annual financial report for FY 2003-04. Due to VTD's familiarity with Peralta's current legacy system and the imminent changeover to the new administrative system by PeopleSoft, District administration proposes a one-year extension for VTD transitionally. Once Peralta has migrated to PeopleSoft's administrative system, a request for proposal will be initiated to hire an audit firm selected by the proposal process. The cost for the one-year extension is \$86,350. The Chancellor and the Board Audit & Finance Committee recommended approval.

3. Approval of Admission Day Holiday, 2005

The Admission Day Holiday for California is scheduled in September. The District is required by Education Code to observe this holiday in its schedule and may establish any working day for its observance. Because the holiday occurs during the fall semester when classes are in session, the Board has traditionally designated the first Friday of August as the day of observance. It was recommended that the Board approve that the district designate observance of Admission Day as Friday, August 5, 2005.

4. Project Priority List for 2007-11 Five-Year Construction Plan

The Five-Year Construction Plan for the District is due to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office by June 1, 2005. The proposed Project Priority List is included with Board members' materials. The Chancellor recommended approval of the Project Priority List and approval to submit the 2007-11 Five-Year Plan.

5. Resolution 04/05-42, Accept Bid and Award Contract, Replace Boilers, Boiler Controls and Equipment, Merritt College, RoSa Construction, Inc.

The project involves the phased installation of three new boilers, and related controls and equipment. The boilers are part of the central plant providing heat to the Merritt campus. A bid opening was held on March 3, 2005. Because only one bid was received, the bid was rejected and the project was readvertised. The second bid opening for the project was held on April 26, 2005. Two bids were received, as follows:

CONTRACTOR	LOCATION	BASE BID
RoSa Construction, Inc.	Hayward	\$574,078
Sonomarin, Inc.	Fulton	\$621,818

The low bid was submitted by RoSa Construction, Inc., in the total amount of \$574,078. This resolution formally accepts the bid and authorizes the contract award to RoSa Construction, Inc. for the Replace Boilers, Boiler Controls and Equipment project at Merritt College. The Chancellor recommended approval.

6. Consider Approval to Go Out to Bid - Second Set of Bleachers for Laney College

General Service Director Ikharo will seek approval to go out to bid for a second set of bleachers for Laney College. At the request of the Board and the Board Facilities and Land Use Planning Committee, this item was brought to the Board for approval.

7. Approval to Negotiate Agreements for Move Management Consultant Services

Staff solicited bid proposals from move management consultant firms (Request for Proposal No. 04-05/12 Move Management Services) to provide comprehensive move coordination services that are required for several current and future construction projects. Interviews were held with the seven responding firms. Below are the results of the interviews:

FIRM	FOGATION	AVERAGE SCORE	RANI	ING RECOMMENDATION
Transitions, Inc.	Hayward	48.75	1	Recommended
IPA Planning Solutions	Oakland	48.25	2	Recommended
Relocation Connections	San Ramon	44.50	3	Recommended
Dovetail DCI	San Anselmo	42.50	4	Not Recommended
Delaney and Company	Walnut Creek	41.75	5	Not Recommended
Cor-O-Van	San Francisco	35.75	6	Not Recommended
One Work Place	Alameda	28.75	7	Not Recommended

The three highest scoring firms were recommended at this time for the multiple projects indicated. Approval was requested to negotiate agreements with Transitions, Inc. for the Vista Permanent Facility project, IPA Planning Solutions for the Building A Renovations project at College of Alameda, and Relocation Connections for the Renovations to Building R Student Services project at Merritt College and the District Administrative Center Renovations project. The negotiated fee amounts will be brought to a subsequent Board meeting for approval. The Chancellor recommended approval to negotiate agreements for move management services with the three recommended firms.

8. Consideration of Intent to Apply - Ford Foundation Grant

It is requested that Trustees approve the submission of a letter of intent by Vista College's Global Studies program to apply for the Ford Foundation \$100,000 Grant "Difficulty Dialogues: Promoting Pluralism and Academic Freedom on Campus." Vista College will pay the expenses of applying for the grant but there are no matching funds required if Vista receives the grant. The Chancellor recommended approval.

9. Request to Advertise

ClassifiedLocationChild Care SpecialistAlamedaManagementLocationVice President-InstructionVistaInspector GeneralDistrict Officer

10. <u>Consider Approval of Short-Term Assignments - Hiring of Non-Academic Classified Short-Term Employees on an Emergency Basis</u>

Pursuant to AB500, attached is a report that contains the name, classification, and date of hire, assignment end date, hourly rate, classification, position title, location, background and experience department, and fund source of candidates recommended for short-term assignments in non-academic classified positions. Below are the names and classifications of these candidates. Each candidate's assignment will not exceed the District's established fiscal-year limit of 184 days.

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Cook	Jennifer	5/16/05	5/31/05	Instructional Aide	: v
Galindez	Ramona	5/16/05	5/31/05	Instructional Aide	V
Huang	Victor	5/10/05	6/30/05	Senior Clerical Asst	D
Lentz	Alyce	511/05	6/3/05	Instructional Asst.	V
Mackey	Stephanie	5/2/05	6/30/05	Clerical Assistant	V
Morris	Marlena	5/11/05	6/30/05	Senior Clerical Asst	Α
Richards	Sheila	5/11/05	6/30/05	Clerical Assistant	Α
Shah	Fatima	5/11/05	6/30/05	Clerical Assistant I	V
Telford	Mary	5/16/05	5/31/05	Instructional Aide	V
Wilding	Lisa	5/11/05	6/3/05	Instructional Asst.	V

ACTION: Upon a motion by Trustee González Yuen, seconded by Trustee Gulassa, the Board voted to approve Items 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, and 10, as presented, by the following called vote:

AYES: Trustees Clifton, González Yuen, Gulassa, Handy, Hodge, Withrow, President

Riley, Student Trustee advisory vote Watkins-Tanner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Watkins-Tanner (Item #7 only)

ABSENT: None

Speaking to Item 4, Project Priority List for 2007-11 Five-Year Construction Plan, General Services Director Ikharo indicated that this information is required to comply with the California Education Code, must be approved by the Board and must be supplied yearly to the State Chancellor's Office. There have been some changes to last

year's list; the projects on this year's list have the most probability to receive State funding. In answer to specific Trustee inquiries, Director Ikharo indicated that the Laney Art Annex is viewed as both a district and CalTransproject. Mr. Ikharo stated that the \$152 million has been designated and allocated, but the Laney Library, Merritt Building A and COA Buildings C & D are new projects that have been added to this year's listing. Mr. Ikharo indicated that the project list can be amended to add necessary projects.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Withrow, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item 4 as presented.

Speaking to Item 6, Consider Approval to Go Out to Bid - Second Set of Bleachers for Laney College, General Services Director Ikharo indicated that in 2004, the Board deferred a decision to approve going out to bid for a second set of bleachers until the new Board had been seated. The proposed bleachers would seat 1400-1500 with an additional restroom facility.

FAILED MOTION: Trustee Gulassa moved that consideration of this item be tabled until the next

meeting. The motion failed due to lack of a second.

ORIGINAL MOTION: It was moved by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Clifton, that the Board approve Item 6 as presented.

Speaker Patterson spoke in favor of Board support for a second set of bleachers stating that he was at this meeting to hold the Board accountable for the community's support of the Measure E bond issue. Speaker Patterson stressed the need for the district to appeal to the State for a portion of reimbursement for this project to relieve the district of full support.

Speakers Broome and Andrews also spoke in favor of Board support for the second set of bleachers at Laney College.

In answer to Trustee inquiries, Vice Chancellor Smith indicated that there is approximately \$43.1 million left in undesignated Measure E bond funding. General Services Director Ikharo informed that he worked with Laney President to determine field usage. Trustee González Yuen stated that he spoke with Laney athletic staff and the consensus among staff was that the bleachers were not a high priority, of greater interest was the renovation of the softball and baseball fields and lighting of the stadium. Additionally, Trustee González Yuen stated that until the district has had full consultation with the Laney College Facilities Committee, coaches, staff and there is a facilities master plan in place, he does not believe it would be prudent to commit additional funding; the district has spent a lot funding on the other colleges' athletic facilities. Student Trustee Watkins-Tanner mentioned that last Fall, Laney's athletic director spoke to the Board in favor of the bleachers because it would attract students and keep Laney students from going to other colleges.

Trustee Handy stated that completion of the stadium with more seating would lend itself to the district's commitment to the community. The Board approves millions of dollars at Board meetings for district facilities that serve faculty and staff; this would be an opportunity to serve the community that voted for the Measure E bond; this is one of the first community issues that has been presented to the Board for approval.

Trustee Gulassa stated he would like the item tabled until such time as there can be adequate input from the users and to determine if the current program is impacted because of the lack of seating. In answer to an inquiry from Trustee Hodge, Laney President Johnson informed that except for the invitational track meet, he did not know if any organizations requesting seating capacity over 2,500. President Johnson continued that Laney is viewed by the local residents as a community center with thousands of residents coming to campus activities; he anticipates that if the additional bleachers are added, the requests will come. Trustee Hodge indicated that she believed there were classroom and bathroom facilities that were in greater need of renovation.

FAILED MOTION:

It was moved by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Clifton to close debate

on Item 6. The motion failed by the following called vote:

AYES:

Trustees Clifton, Handy, Riley, Student Trustee advisory vote Watkins-Tanner

NOES:

Trustees González Yuen, Gulassa, Hodge, Withrow

ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

None None

In answer to an inquiry by Trustee González Yuen, General Services Director Ikharo stated that it will take 1 FTE for maintenance and grounds, \$50,000 annually, for all of Laney facility upgrades. Asked for a recommendation, Chancellor Harris stated that there clearly is not an identified need for this increased seating at the college at the present time but the district is looking toward future needs. Measure E was passed by the community and the college facilities should be used by the community as well as the district. If Trustees believe the stadium is going to be a community facility, its size should be increased based on the bond passed by the residents.

VOTE:

Upon the previous motion by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Clifton, the Board voted to approve Item 6, by the following called vote:

AYES:

Trustees Clifton, Handy, Hodge, Withrow, President Riley, Student Trustee

advisory vote Watkins-Tanner

NOES:

Trustees González Yuen, Gulassa

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

Speaking to Item 9, Request to Advertise, pulled for discussion, Trustee González Yuen inquired if there had been discussion regarding the enhancement of job descriptions in order to emphasize that the district is serious about diversity. In answer, Vice Chancellor Largent stated that the job announcement is a tool to begin the recruitment process and that there is an ongoing process for diversity through the district's outreach program. Trustee González Yuen will speak with Vice Chancellor Largent and the Chancellor regarding this issue.

ACTION:

Upon a motion by Trustee Handy, seconded by Trustee Clifton, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item 9 as presented.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ORAL REPORTS/POSSIBLE ACTION

CHANCELLOR

11. Report on Seismic Retrofit of Building A, College of Alameda

General Services Director Ikharo and project architects, Marcy Wong & Donn Logan Architects, presented a report and recommendations regarding a potential seismic retrofit to Building A at College of Alameda. Mr. Ikharo indicated that because the cost to renovate is over 50% (64%) of the cost of replacement, the State Department of Architects will require the district to bring the building up to code. Costs have escalated during the project's one year delay, exceeding the 50/50 rule. The \$1.1 million retrofit is necessary to be able to protect the district's investment. The staff recommendation is to approve the seismic retrofit of Building A, College of Alameda.

In answer to an inquiry by Trustee González Yuen, Chancellor Harris stated that an appeal for an exception to build a new structure instead of renovation might be made to the State Architect but the district would probably have to go out for another bond to cover the costs that would continue to escalate prior to completion of construction.

ACTION:

Upon a motion by Trustee Withrow, seconded by Trustee Clifton, the Board accepted the Item 11 report. Trustee González Yuen voted no.

PRESIDENTS

Laney College President Johnson presented a report outlining Laney's accomplishments throughout the past year. Included in the report were student demographics, college organization, educational master plan process; faculty and administrative hiring, faculty receiving tenure, facility upgrades and securing of educational grants. A full report is available through Laney College.

President Wesley read into the record the following persons who were part of Merritt's 50th Anniversary Gala: chair, Anthony Powell, Cie-Jae Allen, Rashad Andrews, Judy Bryson, Kimm Blackwell, Collis Carkhum, Candace Freeman, Horace Graham, Doris Hankins, James Harding, Debra Jacks, Shirley Mack, Sabrina McLeod, Fereshteh Mofidi, Ron Perez, Franklin Reese, Felix Smith, Dera Williams, Rona Young, Student Ambassadors and Merritt Safety Aids.

ACADEMIC SENATE

DAS President Joseph Bielanski acknowledged the 23 faculty members who received tenure and the many faculty who are involved in the hiring process for the 45 new faculty members needed by Fall 2005. Mr. Bielanski also publically acknowledged the 16 dedicated, hardworking faculty members who will retire this year: Laney: Barbara Backstop, Ellen Gomez, Proverb Jacobs, Casey Jatczak, Robert Kemp, Bill Leal, Sharon Short, Mike Gilmore; COA: Frissell Walker, Otis Brock, Mary Kay Holland, John Luther, Tom Southworth; Merritt: Sandy Takakura, Joyce Muse; Vista: Maureen Knightly.

BOARD COMMENTS

Trustees Clifton, Gulassa and Handy complimented those responsible for the wonderful 50th Anniversary Gala at Merritt College. President Riley announced that this year's golf tournament benefitting the Peralta Foundation will be held on May 13.

ADJOURNMENT:

9:41 PM

Elihu M. Harris, Chancellor Secretary, Board of Trustees

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