

Districtwide Executive Council

Monday, March 8, 2004 Heritage of the Americas Museum

Meeting Notes

Present: J. Althaus, M. Amov, P. Anderson, J. Austin, T. Martinez, C. McMahan,

G. Perri, P. Setzer, B. Smith, B. Tiffany, N. Yale

Others Present: Z. Close, A. Calderon

Absent: O. Suarez, C. Chiriboga, M Herman, M. Meador, D. Quittner, R. Rose,

N. Yale

Recorder: J. Danks

Review of March 16, 2004, Governing Board Regular Meeting Agenda

Austin, who chaired the meeting in the Chancellor's absence, presented the March 16 Board docket for review.

▶ Item 351—Cuyamaca College Biology/Chemistry Laboratory Equipment: Austin commented that this large equipment purchase of \$112,000 is funded entirely by a Federal Congressional Award Grant obtained through the efforts of Suarez, Perri, and Quittner, and that Board Trustee Cutting has been instrumental in obtaining this grant on behalf of both colleges.

McMahan addressed the tentative agreement item between the District and CSEA, and personnel items on the docket.

Pre-Board Meeting Presentation/Tour

Austin announced there would be a pre-Board meeting tour at 5:30 p.m., March 16, featuring the Cuyamaca College Business Office Technology Department, Room E-113.

Budget Update

Austin referred to the handout, *State Budget Update—Update #2*, for election highlights. He noted the recently passed 2004/2005 fiscal year Debt Repayment Bond has been challenged by city and county entities. The biggest threats to the Governor's spending plan are legal disputes against implementation of the budget measures and speculative anticipated revenue sources.

Secretary of Education Richard Riordan Grossmont College Visit

Perri reported Secretary of Education Richard Riordan visited Grossmont College today. She commented that, while Riordan supports equalization at \$60 million, at the recent SDICCCA Board dinner meeting, the State Chancellor stated the Board of Governors is supporting equalization at the \$25 million level.

Proposition R Update

Austin reported that the passage of Proposition 55 will fund 50% of the Cuyamaca College Arts Building and 50% of the Grossmont College Digital Arts and Sculpture Building. There may be additional projects funded for the District.

Austin commented that both campuses are spending a huge amount of effort on the secondary effects of the building construction such as lost parking and restrooms. Construction updates are posted on the web page, and electronic messages are being sent out from both campuses.

VCHR Selection Process

McMahan reported the Vice Chancellor Selection Committee has convened and developed a selection plan, which has been approved by the Chancellor. The position announcement will be going out within the next two days.

Procedure: CO3—Proposals for Grants, Contracts, and Other Special Funding

Austin distributed a draft procedure for District Procedure CO 3—Proposals for Grants, Contracts, and Other Special Funding, for review by DEC. He stated the procedure has been evaluated by Cabinet. Material changes are to be submitted to Austin prior to the next DEC meeting on April 12. If there is no further modification, the procedure will be sent to the Chancellor for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

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