

# Board of Directors Meeting District Board Room May 28, 2008 5:00 pm

# MINUTES

Board Members Present: Agbayani, Adams, Bhagat, Dubin, Fong, Kanter (via conf. call), Kernan, Krause, Kung, Lear McKenna, Miner, Murphy, Swift.
Board Members Absent: Barker, Berghoff, Casas Frier. Fong, Korol, McKenna, Seeley.
Staff Present: Dirking, Fox Ellison, Lyssenko, and Woodworth

Anita Manwani Bhagat called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Amended: Murphy asked to amend the 3/26/08 Minutes under De Anza's President's Report – De Anza's enrollment from 10.6% to 4.6% Action: Board approved with amendment

## **Board Development Report**

• Potential new Board member Cathye Smithwick will attend the Board retreat in June. Cathye is the daughter of Founding Trustee, Dr. Robert Smithwick and Group Vice President of Delta Dental California and Affiliates.

# **Finance Committee Report**

- Approved moving a greater portion of equities into fixed income.
- o Agbayani to chair new ad hoc Disclosure Committee
- Drafting new FY09 budget for expenses and revenue to be ready for approval at the Board Retreat.
- Foundation attempting focus more on major giving in the next fiscal year.

# **Professional Advisors Roundtable**

Agbayani reported on a successful Planned Giving Seminar on May 15<sup>th</sup>. More than 135 people were in attendance, including attorneys, non-profit professionals, estate planners and accountants to hear attorney Rosemary Fei's lecture on "How to Keep Your Charity Out of Trouble."

# **Commission Reports**

Foothill- Ginny Lear

- Lear introduced co-chair, Kathy Adams, who will be the Commission's liaison to the Board. Kathy worked as a Foothill College counselor for 18 years.
- Lear commented that the Commission should evaluate the fundraising effectiveness of the Gala, considering the Board's direction toward major giving. The Commission wants to serve the best interest for the college.
- o Lear is interested in organizing a Commission Retreat in January 2009.
- Manwani asked the Board Members to consider bringing prospective donors to the Gala.

## De Anza- Jennifer Dirking

- The Commission hosted a table at De Anza's Parent's Night where more than 1600 students and parents attended.
- Commission is seeking corporate sponsorship for Night of Magic. Letters were sent to 100 auto-tech corporate contacts.
- Caracci Golf Tournament will be on June 6<sup>th</sup> at Sunol Golf Course. All proceeds benefit scholarships for auto-tech students.
- Chris Barker assisted with a Saratoga Country Club Planetarium night, where all the proceeds benefited the planetarium.

## **President's Reports**

#### *Foothill – Judy Miner*

- Richard Galope will be the New Vice President of Workforce Development and Instruction starting on July 1, 2008.
- Partnering with Ohlone College and the State Chancellor's Office with a grant for High School Career Pathways.
- May 20<sup>th</sup> was Lobbying Day where college representatives visited Sacramento and lobbied to protect the competitive CAL grant process.
- The Foothill Author series continues with the next reading featuring *The House of Mondavi* author, Julia Flynn Siler.

## De Anza – Brian Murphy

- Kirsch Center for Environmental Studies received a platinum certificate the highest LEED rating for green buildings.
- The Campus Center received the Finest Food Service Award among all other college food services in the United States.
- o John Swensson will be leading De Anza's Global Partnership Initiative.

# Chancellor's Report (via conference call)

- o Foothill will begin the design phase for two new buildings funded under Measure C.
- Celebrity Forum III proceeds will benefit the Foundation, expected annual income of \$75K.
- Graduation Ceremony for Foothill is on 6/27 at 6 p.m. and De Anza's is on 6/28 at 8 a.m.

# **Foundation Update**

- Osher Scholarship \$25 million dollar challenge grant in which funds would be distributed to California Community Colleges based on the number of FTEs. But the matching grants raised would be sent to Sacramento to manage. The Foundation needs to determine if fundraising for this goal is in our best interest.
- NCCCF is creating a Statewide Alumni Network
- Developing the Retreat Agenda Foundation Objectives for the next fiscal year with input from the Presidents. Handed out 'Sustaining Excellence through Private Support.'
- o Looking for a 10-month replacement while Robin Lyssenko is on professional leave.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.