



**Board of Directors Meeting
District Board Room
March 26, 2008
5:00 pm**

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Barram, Barker, Bhagat, Berghoff, Dubin, Kanter, Korol, Krause, Kung, Lear, Miner, Murphy, Seeley, Swift.

Board Members Absent: Agbayani, Casas Frier, Fong, Kernan, McKenna

Staff Present: Dirking, Fox Ellison, Lyssenko, and Woodworth

Chuck Berghoff called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Board approved

Board Development Report

- Two potential candidates, Jay Jackman and Eliane Neukermans cannot commit at this time.
- Cathye Smithwick, Dr. Robert Smithwick's daughter, has agreed to be considered.

Finance Committee Report

- The Foundation has \$29.3 million in assets – to date.
- To limit market losses, the Finance Committee will change the investment ratio to 30% equity, 60% fixed income, and 10% cash.
- The committee discussed the formation of a Disclosure Committee to form a liaison with the District Audit Committee

Commission Reports

De Anza- Chris Barker

- Planning for the 2008 Night of Magic is underway –this year's beneficiary will be Applied Technologies & Auto Tech. Commissioners toured the areas and were impressed with the sophistication of each division.
- Barker attended the Cross Cultural Partners luncheon and reception, and reported on what a good experience it was for all involved with the program.
- Commissioners are being encouraged to become involved with campus activities like the CCP luncheon as an opportunity to learn more about the college.

Foothill- Laura Woodworth and Ginny Lear

- This year's Gala will be on July 27th and features the musical, *Pajama Game*. The Gala Committee is meeting regularly to plan the event.
- Jane Reed has been hired as an independent contractor to be the Gala's coordinator.

Chancellor's Report

- California Supreme Court declined to review the appellate court ruling on Measure C. The District is now free to move forward with Measure C, and other bond initiatives cannot be sued based on the same claims.
- Miner added that Kanter's excellent leadership contributed to the positive outcome of the lawsuit.
- Murphy commented that both colleges were confident that the district would win and supported the choice not to settle and fight the lawsuit.
- The district is anticipating budget challenges for the coming year because of the state budget.
- Kanter announced a \$580 million grant from the Hewlett Foundation for Open Educational Resources, which will ultimately reduce textbook costs.

President's Reports

Foothill – Judy Miner

- Foothill's author series is continuing with the next three authors, Shrabani Basu, *The Spy Princess*, on May 2nd, T.C. Boyle, *The Tortilla Curtain*, on May 14th and Julia Flynn Siler, *The House of Mondavi*, on May 29th.
- A retired venture capitalist is getting involved with the Foothill Entrepreneurial Center with a video-editing project about Darfur. This project gives students an opportunity to learn editing skills as well as social awareness.

De Anza –Brian Murphy

- De Anza's enrollment is up by 10.6% and the Latino enrollment is up by 11%. The state won't fund the college past 1% so staff and faculty are trying to figure out how to handle the growing student population.
- Fujitsu Computer Systems has pledged a *\$1 million dollar gift*, with \$500K to the planetarium and \$500K in technology. Pursuant to Board of Trustee approval, the Planetarium will be renamed the Fujitsu Planetarium.
 - Murphy extended his appreciation to the team of John Swensson, Caron Blinick, the Planetarium staff, Jennifer Dirking and Marie Fox Ellison who worked together to secure the gift.
 - Murphy reported that the CEO, Farhat Ali's wife graduated from De Anza's nursing program.
 - Swift reported that he is meeting with a top executive in Fujitsu's semiconductor division in Japan and would thank them for the generous gift.

Foundation Update

- The date of June 11th was suggested for the board retreat/end-of-year meeting.
- Fox passed out a few pages of the upcoming FY07 annual report and reported that it will be fully printed by the June retreat.
- The annual PAR Seminar on May 15th will be held in memory of Ken Kaye. This year's subject, "Keeping Your Charity Out of Trouble" features Rosemary Fei, Esq.
- State of California Community Colleges announced a statewide network for keeping track of alumni. It will build the infrastructure needed by colleges for a web presence. The state will handle the marketing and drive alumni to the college's website.
- Lyssenko announced the Chancellor's Circle Luncheon on April 8th at De Anza College.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.