

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Room 4202 (Building 4) / Fremont Campus
43600 Mission Boulevard, Fremont, CA 94539

College Council Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2008

ADOPTED

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Treadway Peggy Kaufman
 Jim Wright Dennis Keller
 Cheryl Lambert Stephanie Ramos
 Susan Myers Mike Calegari
 Tim Roberts Kurt Nordquist
 Joanne Schultz Ron Travenick
 Jill Rojas Jackie McCulley
 Zuhail Bahaduri

MEMBERS ABSENT: Linda Evers
 Carrie Dameron
 Dave Schurtz
 Leta Stagnaro

OPEN MEETING:

1. College Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Moved/Nordquist; Seconded/McCulley; Passed to approve the February 11, 2008 College Council minutes.

2. Accreditation Site Visit Update

- As a reminder, the accreditation site visit is scheduled for next week, March 3 - 6th.
- A logistics team has been formed, consisting of the VPs admins and President's Assistant.
- The majority of self-study documents are available on-line.
- Tuesday/Wednesday will focus primarily on meetings. Two open forums have been scheduled (2:00 Tuesday in Newark and 9:00 a.m. in Fremont), as well as the exit report, scheduled for Thursday (Fremont / Jackson Theater).
- A Formal report is expected ~April/May.
- Accrediting commission meets in June to act on recommendations. Best = reaffirmation w/mid-term report.
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3. Master Planning Update

- 2008 Calendar year goal = update Fremont campus master plan, in connection with entire district.
- Last formal revision 1991, when focus was passing the Bond, then implementation of Bond projects. Focused in more recent years on frontage property deal. Decisions regarding master plan have been made along the way -- concepts regarding upper campus:
 - Clustering (science, fine arts, etc.)
 - Main Street concept

- Enrollment shifts:
 - NCHST = 16% this semester
 - On-line has grown to 12%
 - Enrollment burden of Fremont campus lifted a bit.
- Secondary effects / rooms & offices being vacated:
 - 40 year old buildings need refurbishing.
 - Plans submitted to State for projects (library refurbishing & new science center).
 - Positive news from Chancellor's office requesting a higher level proposal for science center. Good news. Proposing a 50-50 split, matching (\$7M is current proposal), but trick is that we'd need to come up with match. Board needs to address how we'd find those funds. Frontage property good avenue for Board to consider. July 1, 2008 "FPP" deadline. Working drawings 10-11 / construction drawings 11-12. Important opportunity.
 - Timelines regarding vacated rooms. Meeting with facilities committee mid-march
 - Physics lab from bldg 6 to bldg 8 to consolidate labs
 - Spring move ASL from Bldg 1 to Bldg 6
 - ESL moved to where ASL is now
- Longer term:
 - Student Services Building opening in 2009 will have major impact. First floor of Building 1 will empty out (except VPs Wright & Calegari), with ripple effects. Considering w/TBP Architects how to guide this planning. Look at Fremont campus with same longer-term focus we put into Newark opening. Fresh concept.
 - Bldg 25 & 26 not worth bringing up to code. Student Health Center moving to SSB. If deaf classes move to building 6, no need for portable 15. Effort to eliminate portables.
 - Parking structure planning. Effort to transition to a "front door" feeling to the north entrance of the campus.
- June or August joint visioning session w/College Council.
- SSB topping off mid-semester.
- Review of major projects moving through shared governance in Fall. Considering future bond down the road.

4. Board of Trustees Agenda

- Notice of Completion notices, closing Newark contracts to release final retention dollars. Change orders to existing contracts at Newark.
- Board is general contractor for Newark and we opted for contract manager. A learning experience that won't be repeated.
- Budget briefing (see below for details / #5).
- Parking Structure & baseball field / LOI (letter of intent) to negotiate with Golden Baseball league at Newark. Moving forward with feasibility study by end of the year. Need EIR (environmental impact report) again to prove the site can support a stadium. Next steps will define scope.
- Parking structure update - trying to discern what kind of contract. They're investigating traffic and feasibility study. Want to confirm it could be self-supporting. May have to underwrite some portion of the project; question if per person payment would support structure construction. Still agree it's the right approach. Might be three entrances from new structure (Smith Center / Building 2 and Building 4). Will know before semester is done if these projects are a "go".
- Board Sub-committees will meet on Wednesday
- Student housing topic will be discussed in one sub-committee.
 - Student comment: student housing would be of no benefit to students. Ohlone students tend to be local. Could help a few students but not likely to be a success. Maybe for international students, athletes. ASOC recommends a survey.
 - Reply: Integration of all of these concepts is necessary. If there was a dorm at Ohlone it would cost ~\$30M, and the district would have to go into debt for that amount and would have to be sure in advance that the student housing would pay for that. Risk if you take on

this debt and then what if the housing is only 1/2 full. Need to test seriously to determine if there's a market. Feasibility study needed.

- Second student comment: would prefer a student lounge. The cafeteria is a horrible place for students to meet. An activity center would be great.
- Reply: As a commuter college, places to lounge are more practical. Important to have a reality test so this idea isn't imposed on the institution by a few trustees. Encouraging students to come to sub-committee meeting to express their views.
- Comment: Important to be sure that student trustee is reflecting students' views and not personal preference.

5. Budget Update

- Ohlone is focused on wrapping up this fiscal year and finding additional savings. Recent state-wide CEO meeting showed that no one knows what to expect. State-wide concern about a 10% across-the-board cut. Every public school will be impacted.
- What's currently going through the Senate is reinstating vehicle license fee, considering tax structure for the wealthy, etc. Hoping that legislature has even-handed approach.
- Whatever it is, there is not going to be a quick fix. Will have to lower our expectations for some time.
- Growth potential between 1-2%, because the demand is still there. Community college services increase in relation to economy downturn.
- Seems likely no COLA next year.
- Mid-year cut for this year resolved favorably. State Chancellor's office came up with \$31M of unspent funds and state agreed to accept that cut.
- Step and column increases alone will be \$550K.
- Golden handshake being considered. Retirement incentive, and college saves money by not filling vacated positions -- or by filling with lower paid replacements. Attempt to benefit retirees and show savings to district.
- You have to certify to the State that you're using this tool to avoid layoffs. We'll have to make educated guess as to State budget situation. Board at March 5 meeting will announce golden handshake proposal. Planning for no more than 60 days for both groups (CSEA/Faculty) to decide if they're interested in participating. Have to show \$200K or more savings (CSEA).
- Golden handshake pays for 2 years of employees' contribution to retirement.

6. Int'l Programs & Services Update

- International enrollment growth:
 - FA 06 / 63
 - SP 07 / 83
 - FA 07 / 138
 - SP 08 / 190
- Students from China up from 6 to 56
- Vietnam up from 2 to 23
- Taiwan, India, Korea, Japan increasing too, due to outreach
- Reviewing data (IIE Open Doors Report) on trends on student mobility. India #1 / China #2.
- US Citizenship regulations require int'l students to be enrolled full-time (12+ units). This semester alone we've generated ~\$500K. Working to make this plan sustainable.
- If we plan and support program, the room for growth is great. Peer institutions examples - Foothill/DeAnza earn (combined) \$15M with ~3,000 students. DVC from 1% to 5% for all the right reasons. Educational & cultural benefits.
- Ohlone at ~1.7% international. National average is 3.9%.
- ELI Business Plan incorporates strategic plan for outreach, curriculum. Plan to implement in Fall.
- Retention rates pretty high. Each semester has been between 92 - 98%. Encouraging for the future

- Study abroad - Senate Foreign Relations Committee just passed Paul Simon Act that will now move to Senate floor. That legislation calls for funding to increase for American students studying abroad. If passed, aims to increase from \$220K to \$1M, targeting non-traditional study abroad destinations and underrepresented students and institutions (community colleges). Details to be revealed. Future opportunity.
- Suzhou industrial Park Software & Outsourcing College approved.
- Suggestion: Council ought to formalize this opportunity with a statement in our Goal 1.
- Support network defined? Would be good information for Council to have -- these are the figures and here's the commitment that needs to be made. Proactive approach to support for growth.

7. Topics for Future Meetings

- Sustainability Policy
- Committee Reports
- One-time funding reports
- Board relationship to campus community / discussion of recent Board member's visit to Fremont campus / check with constituents and come back
- Comments on this topic:
 - Trustee acting alone
 - Out of bounds in terms of accreditation standards, community college league, professional standards violated. Accountable as a community.
 - Seems like he's "up to something", seems like he's trying to find something and not in a good way. One person trying to find information... overall feeling "awkward". Maybe an open forum with whole Board would be a better idea.
 - San Jose/Evergreen used to have Board town hall meetings once a semester, mid-afternoon, with administration. Opportunity for collegial approach rather than one Board member chasing shadows.
 - Keeping certain facts before us, an elected official cannot use the facilities of the campus to campaign. Violating the law by using his position to make himself known. President not silently sitting by. He was told this was inappropriate and did it anyway. Council works as a shared governance body and we need to protect healthy system.
- Election of new Council co-chair and review of Council by-laws on this topic in near future.

8. Communications and/or Announcements

- ASOC discussing attending CCLC rally on April 1 to budget cuts in Sacramento. Looking for Council by-in and support to encourage participation. Faculty Senate inviting ASOC to present proposal.
- Consider holding the next Council meeting at Newark to accommodate visiting Accreditation Team?

ADJOURNED: 4:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Mondays -- 3/3, 3/17, 4/7, 4/21, 5/5, 5/19 (3:00 - 4:30 p.m. / Video Conf. Rm.)