Standing Reports:

From Ohlone College President Gari Browning:

Ohlone will participate as part of a consortium in a $14.9 million grant from the Department of Labor to offer job training to help dislocated or unemployed adults upgrade job skills or change careers to become more employable. Ohlone’s primary involvement will be to offer training in biotechnology and IT fields, and the Tri-Cities One-Stop Center will offer job placement and workplace training to students.

The Ohlone Student Health Center received a $332,000 mental health grant to enact a two-year public health education program for students and faculty to reduce stigma surrounding mental health issues and to bring awareness and support in helping students seek care when needed.

Trustee Garrett Yee, who has been on leave for the past year while serving in Afghanistan in the Army Reserves, has been selected for promotion to Brigadier General. His appointment was confirmed by the U.S. Senate, a rank which very few ever attain. Trustee Yee will return for the November board meeting.

Ceremonial items:

After announcements, the Board approved three ceremonial items:

- a Resolution in recognition of National Disabilities Month,
- a second Resolution recognizing AB 130 and AB 131, the CA DREAM Act, which will become fully enacted in January 2013, and
- Recognition of Emeritus status for retired nursing faculty Deb Parziale.

Action Items:

The Board approved a Contract for Architectural Services for Design of the District Facilities Master Plan to develop academic core building concept for the Fremont campus to be constructed using Measure G Bond funds. The contract was awarded to Cannon Design/Anderson-Brulee Architects.

The Board approved a copy of the revised Board Member Guide, a manual detailing appropriate behaviors and activities for members of the board that the board recently completed.

Finally, the Board was updated on the projected five-year budget projections for the college.

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The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 7:00 pm in building 7, Room 7101 on the Fremont campus, 43600 Mission Boulevard, Fremont, CA 94536.