

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
OF APRIL 1, 2021

President Figueroa called the Board of Trustees Special meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. via teleconference. CALL TO ORDER

Trustees Present

Mary Figueroa, President
Bill Hedrick, Vice President
Jose Alcala, Secretary
Virginia Blumenthal, Board Member
Tracey Vackar, Board Member
Ivan Hess, Student Trustee

Staff Present

Dr. Wolde-Ab Isaac, Chancellor
Aaron Brown, Vice Chancellor, Business and Financial Services
Dr. Jeannie Kim, Interim Vice Chancellor, Educational Services
Rebecca Goldware, Vice Chancellor, Institutional Advancement and Economic Development
Dr. Robin Steinback, President, Moreno Valley College
Dr. Gregory Anderson, President, Riverside City College
Delisle Warden, General Counsel/Chief of Staff

Dr. Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kayla Batchelor, RCC Student, commented on the reopening plans for the fall semester.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Sara Etchell, RCC Student, commented on the reopening plans for the fall semester.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORTS

Dr. Isaac reviewed the process for the Foundation for California Community Colleges Trustee Fellowship Institute project. The State Chancellor's Office provided participating districts data highlighting areas of inequity within their district. The Chancellor, along with trustees Figueroa and Vackar has been involved in the process since the summer of 2020 and to fulfill the project requirements, a special board session must be held. Trustees Figueroa and Vackar gave their perspective on their involvement and the interaction with other districts. The project selected as the Trustee Fellowship Institute project will be the Summer Math Institute. Discussion followed.

Update on Trustee Institutional Fellowship

Dr. Kim reviewed the presentation on the Summer Math Institute. This program will offer high school graduates and current African-American and Latinex students an opportunity to complete their math requirement. The program can support up to 540

Summer Math Institute Presentation

students. Starting June 21 through August 13, students will attend 2 hours and 5 minutes each week and receive 50 minutes of support instruction. They will receive a laptop and along with \$1000 to complete the program and have an opportunity to apply for an additional \$1000 in emergency relief funds, Promise Program enrollment, 2 to 3 years toward graduation, 2 to 3 years toward transfer to a 4-year institution, and workshops on filling out financial aid applications. Students will be required to participate in the RCCD College Engagement Centers on a weekly basis. Outreach to current high school seniors and current RCCD students will begin next week. Discussion followed.

Dr. Isaac briefly reviewed the overall educational opportunity gap in the Inland Empire. Discussion followed.

Review of the Overall Educational Opportunity Gap in the Inland Empire

Dr. Isaac reviewed the reopening plans for the 2021 fall semester. Bi-weekly communication will go out to all employees and students on the progress of the plans. Monthly town hall meetings will also be held for further updates and questions and answers. Discussion followed.

Safe Return

The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Official Minutes

Approved on 05/18/2021

Certified By: Jamie Fortin