

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR
AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING, EFFECTIVENESS AND
GOVERNANCE, TEACHING AND LEARNING, ADVANCEMENT AND PARTNERSHIP,
RESOURCES AND EQUITY COMMITTEES
OF MARCH 5, 2024

President Alcalá called the Board of Trustees meeting
to order at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office, Board Room,
3801 Market Street, Riverside, California and via
videoconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Trustees Present

Mr. Jose Alcalá, President
Ms. Virginia Blumenthal, Vice President
Ms. Mary Figueroa, Secretary
Dr. Keri Then, Member
Mr. Bill Hedrick, Member
Ms. Melody Ward, Student Trustee

Staff Present

Dr. Wolde-Ab Isaac, Chancellor
Dr. Susan Mills, Vice Chancellor, Educational Services and Strategic Planning
Mr. Aaron Brown, Vice Chancellor, Business and Financial Services
Ms. Rebecca Goldware, Vice Chancellor, Institutional Advancement and Economic Development
Dr. Robin Steinback, President, Moreno Valley College
Dr. Monica Green, President, Norco College
Dr. Claire Oliveros, President, Riverside City College
Mr. Keith Dobyns, General Counsel

Guests Present

Mr. Sean Drake, Professor, Mathematics, Moreno Valley College
Mr. Felipe Galicia, Professor, Biology, Moreno Valley College
Dr. Joumana McGowan, Vice President, Academic Affairs, Moreno Valley College
Ms. Kimberly Bell, Counselor, Disability Resource Center, Learning Disabilities Specialist,
Norco College
Dr. Carol Farrar, Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs, Norco College
Dr. Kaneesha Tarrant, Vice President, Student Services, Norco College
Dr. Lynn Wright, Vice President, Academic Affairs, Riverside City College
Dr. Lijuan Zhai, Associate Vice Chancellor, Educational Services & Institutional Effectiveness
Ms. Emily Spencer, Associate Professor, Chemistry, Riverside City College
Mr. Mark Lewis, Associate Professor, Communications Studies, Norco College
Ms. LaShe Rodriguez, Director, Government Relations
Mr. Kenya Newman, Student
Mr. Hunter Andrews, Student
Ms. Soraya Love, Student
Mr. Hussain Agah, Associate Vice Chancellor, Facilities, Planning & Development
Mr. Ali Cooper, Program Manager, EvGide

Trustee Blumenthal led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A request to address the Board of Trustees was received and

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

read by Tinka Friend, Nicholas Williams, and Sef Girgis.

Chancellor Isaac commented on the following:

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

- Provided a Community College Update presentation to the Rotary Club of Riverside.
- The district was recognized and will be awarded on May 2-3, 2024, for our leadership in our plans, actions, and policies on sustainability and climate by the Southern California Association of Governments.
- Visited Basic Need Centers at Moreno Valley College and Riverside City College. Space in these areas is inadequate. We will continue to find ways to increase space in these areas.
- Attended the convening of the California Rehabilitation Center (CRC) College Hub. The trailer bill meeting was attended by three legislators: Senator Tom Umberg, Senator Ben Allen and Assembly Member Sharon Quirk-Silva. Thanked Norco College for leading a wonderful and transformative program.
- Announced the passing of Chef Bobby Moghaddam, the founding director of RCC's Culinary Academy. Funeral services will be conducted on March 11th at the El Toro Memorial Park in Lake Forest.
- Chancellor and President Alcalá met with Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) Superintendent Gomez to provide an update on the district's collaboration with the six feeder school districts, our successes, and we shared our vision and major challenges.
- Chancellor and Secretary Figueroa participated in the Makers Space Ribbon cutting at RCC on February 28th.
- Participated in Leadership Riverside on March 1st. Participants provided their institution's perspective in terms of how they are addressing and developing their programs with equity as the driver.
- Attended the Jazz Festival at Coil School for the Arts, organized by the Lincoln Center. World renowned jazz scholars were in attendance to support the high school students in our region who were participating.
- Plan to attend the RCOE 2024 Riverside County State of Education Address on March 6th.
- Plan to present a Community College Update to the Western State Carpenters Committee on March 6th.
- Chancellor, President Alcalá and RCC President Oliveros will be meeting with RUSD Superintendent Hill on March 7th to begin discussions regarding Central Middle School.

Ms. Few presented the CSEA, Chapter #535, Initial Sunshine Bargaining Proposal, 2024 Summer Workweek and Vacation

CSEA, Chapter #535, Initial Sunshine Bargaining Proposal,

Carryover to the Board of Trustees for review.

2024 Summer Workweek and
Vacation Carryover

Committee Chair Blumenthal convened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Committee members in attendance: Academic Senate Representatives: Mr. Felipe Galicia, District/Moreno Valley College, Ms. Kimberly Bell, Norco College, and Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Riverside City College; CTA Representative: Dr. Rhonda Taube; CSEA Representative: Ms. Casandra Greene; and MLA Representative: Ms. Monica Esqueda.

PLANNING, EFFECTIVENESS,
AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Dr. Mills welcomed the college faculty and introduced the administrative leads to present the Update on Department Chairs/Enrollment Management Retreats & Enrollment Recovery to the Board of Trustees. Discussion followed.

Update on Department
Chairs/Enrollment Management
Retreats & Enrollment
Recovery

Mr. Dobyms presented the First Reading of the proposed updates to portions of Board Policies Chapter 6 Human Resources to the Board of Trustees for review. Greene commented.

Update to Board Policies
Chapter 6 Human Resources

The committee adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Adjourned.

Committee Chair Then convened the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Committee members in attendance: Academic Senate Representatives: Mr. Felipe Galicia, District/Moreno Valley College, Ms. Kimberly Bell, Norco College, and Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Riverside City College; CTA Representative: Dr. Rhonda Taube; CSEA Representative: Ms. Casandra Greene; and MLA Representative: Ms. Monica Esqueda.

TEACHING AND LEARNING
COMMITTEE

Dr. Mills introduced Mr. Lewis and Ms. Spencer, to present the RCCD Study Abroad: Florence, Italy to the Board of Trustees. Discussion followed.

RCCD Study Abroad: Florence,
Italy

The committee adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Adjourned.

Committee Chair Hedrick convened the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Committee members in attendance: Academic Senate Representatives: Mr. Felipe Galicia, District/Moreno Valley College, Ms. Kimberly Bell, Norco College, and Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Riverside City College; CTA Representative: Dr. Rhonda Taube; CSEA Representative: Ms. Casandra Greene; and MLA Representative: Ms. Monica Esqueda.

ADVANCEMENT & PARTNERSHIP
COMMITTEE

Ms. Goldware introduced Ms. Rodriguez to present the 2024 RCCD Legislative Program Sacramento and Washington Advocacy Update for the Board of Trustees. Then commented.

2024 RCCD Legislative
Program Sacramento and
Washington Advocacy Update

The committee adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Adjourned.

Committee Chair Alcalá convened the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Committee members in attendance: Academic Senate Representatives: Mr. Felipe Galicia, District/Moreno Valley College, Ms. Kimberly Bell, Norco College, and Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Riverside City College; CTA Representative: Dr. Rhonda Taube; CSEA Representative: Ms. Casandra Greene; and MLA Representative: Ms. Monica Esqueda.

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Mr. Brown introduced Mr. Agah and Mr. Cooper, to present the Clean Mobility Options Pilot Program (CMO) and Resolution No. 47-23/24 accepting \$1,500,000 funding to implement the District Carsharing Program to the Board of Trustees for review.

Resolution No. 47-23/24 for Clean Mobility Options Pilot Program (CMO) - District Carsharing Program

Mr. Brown introduced Mr. Agah, to present the District Solar & Battery Project – Construction Update to the Board of Trustees.

District Solar & Battery Project – Construction Update

The committee adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m. in memory of Chef Bobby Moghaddam and a moment of silence.

Adjourned

The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55 p.m. after considering the following closed session item:

CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Trustees unanimously took action to approve Resolution No. 49-23/24 adopting the non-reemployment of a fourth-year probationary faculty member.

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

The Board of Trustees unanimously took action to approve Resolution No. 50-23/24, adopting the non-reemployment of a second-year probationary faculty member.

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Official Minutes
Approved on April 16, 2024

Certified By: 