

OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

District Strategic Planning Council

Friday, March 17, 2023

CAADO 309 & Zoom

2:00 – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order – 2:03 pm

Present: Hussain Agah, AnnaMarie Amezcuita, Stephen Ashby, Christopher Blackmore, Victor Bolanos, Aaron Brown, FeRita Carter, Chris Clarke, Michael Collins, Torria Davis, Kristine DiMemmo, Keith Dobyns, Rochelle Duran, Tammy Few, Felipe Galicia, Rebecca Goldware, Evelyn Gonzalez, Monica Green, Tenisha James, Ruth Leal, Laurie McQuay-Peninger, Susan Mills, Jason Parks, Michael Peterson, Mark Sellick, Robin Steinback, Christopher Sweeten, Kaneesha Tarrant, Beiwei Tu, Joel Webb, Lynn Wright, Lijuan Zhai

Absent: Majd Askar, Kimberly Bell, Mark Figueroa, Casandra Greene, Vivian Harris, Wolde-Ab Isaac, Debra Mustain, Rhonda Taube, Denise Terrazas, David Torres

Guests Present: Jen Wagner, Ines Solis (minute recorder)

I. Committee Business

a. Approval of the March 17, 2023, Agenda

Motion to accept agenda by consent.

- **Amendment:** Move item III *Select Board Policies for Chapter Two: Academic Affairs* from Action items to item II Information Items. Approved by consensus; no abstentions

b. Approval of the February 24, 2023 Minutes

Motion to accept the February 24, 2023, Minutes as written. 1st K. DiMemmo, 2nd J. Webb; Approved, no abstentions.

II. Information Items

a. Project Nexus Overview

Associate Vice Chancellor Chris Blackmore introduced Jen Wagner to provide an update on Project Nexus and the implementation of anthologies ERP system as a replacement for Colleague. The project re-kickoff was held on February 22nd after being on pause due to some functionality gaps. The reengagement has lots of project activities, for instance leads from across the district for different modules or areas within the system are making sure that we have the right folks, they are engaged, they are on boarded, everybody is up to speed on where we are in the project. Another initiative being worked on is district communications and giving presentations like this to different committees across the district. Leveraging on other districtwide meetings, presentations are ongoing to update everybody on the project status, disseminating information, and communicating broadly. Re-implementation of a districtwide newsletter is underway so that everybody has access to the information on the project's status. We are targeting October 2024 for the implementation of the Student System with Finance and HR systems slightly before that.

b. Risk Management Update

Vice Chancellor Aaron Brown introduced Director Beiwei Tu for the Risk Management presentation. All risk management activities are based on 4 fundamental risk mitigation strategies, which include Risk Acceptance, Risk Reduction, Risk Transfer, and Risk Avoidance. Because of the services provided to the district, risk management is tasked to implement five strategic initiatives during the fiscal year 2021 to 2025. The first strategic initiative is to improve safety, training, and participation. The second initiative is to update and readopt the injury illness prevention program. The third initiative is risk transfer aiming to evaluate the existing insurance policies to make sure there's sufficient insurance coverage to meet the district's business needs. The fourth initiative is to run the insurance complaints efficiently and effectively. Last, as part of the fifth initiative risk management is tasked to institute an effective emergency planning and response plan.

c. Select Board Policies for Chapter Two: Academic Affairs

General Counsel Keith Dobyns presented a selection of Chapter Two: Academic Affairs board policies for review and input. The select policies have been presented to the college Academic Senates and District Academic Senate for approval after going

through constituent workgroups in program, curriculum, and course development. For adoption, the board policies will be presented to the Board of Trustees for a first and second read.

III. Action Items

- a. No items

IV. Task Force/Sub-Committee/Special Reports

- a. Facilities Planning and Development Council Minutes: January 26, 2023
 - The FPDC minutes for January 26th were included in the agenda packet for the Council's review and additional information was shared on the student housing project. The Council did not have any questions or additional input for Associate Vice Chancellor Hussain Agah or Vice Chancellor Aaron Brown.

V. Vice Chancellor's Report

Vice Chancellor Susan Mills shared that Educational Services is planning a Department Chair and Enrollment Management Retreat. April 28th was selected due to venue's capacity to host well over 100 people. The three colleges enrollment management committees, the District Enrollment Management Committee, department chairs, Deans, and VPs are invited. A planning group with the three Academic Senate presidents, the three chairs of chairs from the colleges, APC's, DLC groups, DEMC (District Enrollment Management Committee) and faculty is being consulted to start to plan outcomes for the retreat and breakout sessions.

Second, the next steps for our District Strategic Planning Council structure will be for Dr. Isaac to share with the Board of Trustees at their retreat. Later, Mark Sellick and Dr. Mills will give a presentation for information to the Board, probably in June. In the meantime, we will move forward with populating the five overarching committees: Teaching and Learning; Human Resources; Institutional Effectiveness, Planning, and Governance; Resources; and Advancement and Partnerships.

VI. Reports/Updates

a. **Moreno Valley College**

President Robin Steinback noted there is 78 calendar days to commencement and mentioned we are in the completion and celebration phase of what we do here in Riverside Community College District. There will be many completions and ceremonies to attend and many happy families that we will be meeting. Moreno Valley College received very good news this week that our college is a recipient of a Title 5 Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions Grant. MVC had applied and in October and were advised the outcome was uncertain. Now that there has been an infusion of funding into the US Department of Education, the MVC grant is funded. MVC is celebrating because we have brought up the Student Engagement Centers with the MVC success teams. Currently there are three Engagement Centers, but MVC will eventually have six Engagement Centers. This grant of \$3 million over 5 years will ensure that we have some stability and resources to enhance the staffing and the programming in our student success centers.

b. **Norco College**

President Monica Green shared that Norco College's enrollment is looking more promising this spring than it did last spring; NC's FTES is up by 20.6% from last year. Norco College hosted its first annual industry partners and awards breakfast by welcoming industry partners and celebrating alumnus of the year and recognized two strong business partners. A meeting with industry advisory councils followed the well-attended celebration. Norco College is looking at a school reorganization of academic pathways and will change from four schools to about seven or eight schools due to being too large and too broad. The Norco team looked at other models and want some alignment within our own district and will be going through our processes to update the schools to better support our students as well as be more manageable with our student success teams. Dr. Green attended the 5th annual convening at Cal Poly Pomona and learned that Cal Poly Pomona has implemented a multi factor admission model, going beyond performance in college, work and transfer work and supplemental course work. It also looks at non-academic criteria, veterans-work, work, and extracurricular experience, leadership first generation students, special populations, educational programs and youth services experience and campus partnerships. We want to encourage our students to complete that section of the application and continue to give feedback to our transferring institutions. The post-secondary education trailer bill, AB 132, that was passed was also highlighted. This bill requires the Cal States and UCs to allow high school students graduating in 2023 to attend a California Community College and enter an agreement with a specific CSU in a specific program with the intent to transfer within three years. This is something that all Cal States and UCs are implementing and many of us are just finding out about it. Information has been sent to the College presidents to make sure that we are all aware and we are working with our transfer institutions and we are asking how transfer institutions are working on implementing AB 132 and if it means all their programs are available.

c. **Riverside City College**

Interim President FeRita Carter informed that Riverside City College's spring enrollment is at 94.8%. The RCC Music Department have hosted four showcase events over the past couple of weeks that spotlights the musical talents of K-12 students, and as a result, hosted 80 high school, middle and elementary school bands and orchestra performances; that is potentially 4000 future RCC Tigers. A special thanks to Professor Kevin Mayse, the department chair, as well as all the department of Music Faculty and the array of dynamic classified professionals who helped to make those events a success.

A grant proposal that was submitted by RCC's Math Department Chair, Professor Marc Sanchez, has been selected to receive a California Education Learning Lab award of up to \$100,000 from the director of the California Governor's Office of Planning and Research. RCC's commencement ceremonies will take place in Landis Auditorium this year and we will be planning three back-to-back smaller commencements on Friday, June 9th to accommodate normal commencement day. Lastly, the Inspire project is a 32 -unit, 1-bedroom housing complex designed to serve our homeless and housing insecure foster youth and the City of Riverside is set to break ground on April 11th from 10:00 AM to 12 noon. The Aspire Project site is at the northeast corner of 3rd Street and Fairmont Blvd.

VII. Other

- a. Next Meeting: April 21, 2023

Adjournment 3:09 pm