

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
OF JANUARY 21, 2025

President Alcala 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

Jose Alcala, President
Virginia Blumenthal, Vice President
Mary Figueroa, Secretary
Keri Then, Board Member
Bill Hedrick, Board Member
Jose Maya, Student Trustee (arrived 6:02 p.m.)

Staff Present

Dr. Wolde-Ab Isaac, Chancellor
Mr. Aaron Brown, Vice Chancellor, Business and Financial Services
Dr. Eric Bishop, Interim Vice Chancellor, Educational Services and Strategic Planning
Ms. Tammy Few, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources and Employee Relations (Zoom)
Ms. Rebecca Goldware, Vice Chancellor, Institutional Advancement and Economic Development
Mr. Keith Dobyns, General Counsel
Dr. FeRita Carter, Interim President, Moreno Valley College
Dr. Monica Green, President, Norco College
Dr. Claire Oliveros, President, Riverside City College
Dr. Esteban Navas, Academic Senate President, Moreno Valley College
Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Academic Senate President, Riverside City College

Guests Present

Dr. Rhonda Taube, President, California Teachers Association (CTA)
Mr. Stephen Ashby, President, California Schools Employee Association (CSEA)
Mr. Robert Baradaran, Associate Professor, Culinary Arts
Dr. Denise Indermuehle, Professor, Nursing
Dr. Don (Ajene) Wilcoxson, Professor, Business Administration

Trustee Hedrick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A public comment was made by Nicole Capps (Zoom).

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Blumenthal/Then moved that the Board of Trustees approve the December 3, 2024 Board of Trustees Regular/Committee meeting minutes as prepared. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES
REGULAR/COMMITTEE
MEETING OF DECEMBER 3,
2024

Then/Hedrick moved that the Board of Trustees approve the December 10, 2024 Board of Trustees Special meeting minutes as prepared. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
OF DECEMBER 10, 2024

ayes)

Figueroa/Hedrick moved that the Board of Trustees approve the December 10, 2024 Board of Trustees Regular meeting minutes as prepared. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES REGULAR
MEETING OF DECEMBER 10,
2024

PUBLIC HEARING

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Isaac commented on the following:

Chancellor's Communications

- Participated in the City of Riverside MLK Walk
- Attended MLK Celebration at RCC and enjoyed an inspiring speech from Dr. Nana Chike Akua, Professor of Educational Leadership at Clark Atlanta University.
- Recommend that the district formally express gratitude to the communities for their confidence and trust in supporting Measure CC, in order to foster a more sustainable relationship.
- Presented an update to the Rotary Club of Riverside regarding Measure CC.
- Provided an update and expressed gratitude on Measure CC to the Moreno Valley Chambers and Riverside Chamber of Commerce Board.
- Met with Riverside City Manager and two City Council Members to discuss our district's vision with Measure CC including a gift from the city of 55 acres of land.
- Participated with Trustee Figueroa in the Inland Empire Economic Partnership Annual dinner celebration.
- Plan to attend a third meeting with K-12 and higher education partners, RCCD Board President, leadership teams, and Riverside County of Education, to solidify the process in harmonizing our mission, vision and goals, to expand student access with equity. A fourth meeting will include the Chancellor of UCR, and Presidents of Cal States San Bernardino, Fullerton and Pomona.
- Attended with our college presidents the Community College Leaders Workgroup Breakfast at Cal State Fullerton, an invite from President Ronald Rochon, to discuss collaboration.
- Attended a UCR Community Luncheon to discuss and seek input for the new UC

Riverside Chancellor.

- In 2025, we anticipate facing several challenges; however, we will maintain a strong focus on our projects. We aim to ensure that at least 30% of our resources are sourced from outside of our apportionment system. This approach will provide us with the stability needed to advance our plans, which will remain a top priority on the district's agenda.

No Report.

Healthcare Update

Dr. Bishop presented the Rank of Emeriti Status for 2024-2025 to the following:

Presentation of Rank of Emeritus for 2024-2025

Moreno Valley College:

- Kari Richards-Dinger, Associate Professor, Mathematics
- Edward, Williams, Professor, English

Norco College:

- Melissa Bader, Professor, English
- Sara Burnett, Professor, Early Childhood Education

Riverside City College:

- Sharon Alexander, Professor, Nursing
- Robert Baradaran, Associate Professor, Culinary Arts
- Thatcher Carter, Professor, English
- Dariush Haghighat, Professor, Political Science
- Denise Indermuehle, Professor, Nursing
- Stephanie Lowry, Associate Professor, Nursing
- Diana MacDougall, Professor, American Sign Language
- Kimberly Reimer, Professor, Nursing
- Victor Sandoval, Associate Professor, Reading
- Elisabeth Thompson-Eagle, Associate Professor, Microbiology
- Margaret Tjandra, Associate Professor, English as a Second Language
- Don (Ajene) Wilcoxson, Professor, Business Administration

(The Board of Trustees approved the Rank of Emeriti under Consent Items - Academic Personnel.)

The Board of Trustees received information on documents used to monitor and review upcoming action items, information items, and presentations, as well as planning for the monthly Committee and Board meetings.

Future Monthly Committee Agenda
Planner and Annual Master
Planning Calendar

No report.

STUDENT REPORT

CONSENT ITEMS

Blumenthal/Hedrick moved that the Board of Trustees:

Action

Approve/ratify the listed academic appointments, separations, and assignment, and salary adjustments;

Academic Personnel

Approve/ratify the listed classified appointments, separations, and assignment and salary adjustments;

Classified Personnel

Approve/ratify the listed other personnel appointments, and assignment and salary adjustments;

Other Personnel

Approve/ratify the Purchase Orders and Purchase Order Additions totaling \$5,656,623, and District Warrant Claims totaling \$16,347,006;

Purchase Order and Warrant Report
– All District Resources

Approve the budget transfers as presented.;

Budget Adjustments

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$7,706 to the budget;

Resolution No. 47-24/25 - 2024-2025 Nursing Enrollment and Retention Grant

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$44,286 to the budget;

Resolution No. 48-24/25 - 2024-2025 UC Riverside Math Discovery Grant

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$8,496 to the budget;

Resolution No. 49-24/25 - 2024-2025 African American Male Education Network Development (A2MEND)

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$150,000 to the budget;

Resolution No. 50-24/25 - 2024-2025 Veterans Mental Health Demonstration Project Grant

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$27,834 to the budget;

Resolution No. 51-24/25 - 2024-2025 California Apprenticeship Initiative - Robert Half Cybersecurity Grant

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$285,000 to the budget;

Resolution No. 52-24/25 - 2024-2025 California Wellness Foundation - Rising Scholars Grant

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$19,675 to the budget;

Resolution No. 53-24/25 - 2024-2025 UMOJA Campus Program

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$3,500,000 to the budget;

Resolution No. 54-24/25 - 2024-2025 Military Articulation Platform - Credit for Prior Learning Program

Approve the purchase of information technology goods and services from Bluum USA, Inc., utilizing the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract No. 3-24-11-1042;

Purchase of Information Technology Goods and Services from Bluum USA, Inc.

Approve the Amendment No. 7 for Military Articulation Platform Software and Related Services - RFP No. 21-19/20-6, in the total amount of \$3,005,000;

Agreement Amendment No. 7 with Information Technology Partners, Inc. for Military Articulation Platform Software and Related Services

Approve the agreement with AppleOne for additional funding of \$18,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$132,499;

Agreement with AppleOne for Temporary Staffing Services

Approve the Year 2 of Subaward Agreement for CCCCCO Center of Excellence Grant with the Inland Empire Community Foundation on behalf of Inland Empire Growth and Opportunity in the amount of \$769,231;

Subaward Agreement for CCCCCO Center of Excellence Grant

Approve the Inland Empire/Desert Regional Consortium Annual Faculty Retreat agreement the Waterfront Hotel, LLC in the amount of \$150,000;

Inland Empire/Desert Regional Consortium Annual Faculty Retreat Agreement with the Waterfront Hotel, LLC

Approve a second tier Subaward Agreement between Norco College (NC) and The Regents of the University of California, Riverside (UCR) Bourns College of Engineering (BCOE) program as part of the Inland Engineering Pathways Partnership (IEPP) in the amount of \$374,634;

Subaward Agreement for Inland Empire K-16 Regional Education Collaborative Grant

Approve the consultant services agreement Amendment No. 1 with Gafcon PM-CM, Inc. for the Land Acquisition Consultation & Project Management Services in the total amount of \$113,329, for a total contract amount of \$400,439;

Consultant Services Agreement Amendment No. 1 with Gafcon PM-CM, Inc. for the Land Acquisition Consultation & Project Management Service

Approve contracts totaling \$1,066,851 for the period of November 21, 2024 through December 31, 2024;

Contracts and Agreements Report Less Than \$114,500 – All District Resources

Approve the out-of-state travel;

Out-of-State Travel

Approve the projects listed on the attachment as complete, and approving the execution of the Notices of Completion under Civil Code Section 3093
- Public Works;

Notices of Completion

Approve by unanimous vote: (1) declare the property on the attached list to be surplus; (2) find the property does not exceed the total value of \$5,000; and (3) authorize the property to be consigned to The Liquidation Company to be sold on behalf of the District;

Surplus Property

Approve by unanimous vote: (1) declare the property on the attached list to be surplus; and (2) authorize the property to be donated to the following recipient: Moreno Valley High School;

Surplus Property - Donation

Approve adopting Resolution No. 56-24/25 to Amend the Salary Schedule for Non-Classified Short-Term Employees.

Resolution No. 56-24/25 - Amend the Salary Schedule for Non-Classified Short-Term Employees

Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Information

The Board received the monthly Financial Report for the period December 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Monthly Financial Report for Month Ending – December 31, 2024

The Board received the Capital Program Executive Summary Report (CPES) as of December 31, 2024.

Capital Program Executive Summary Report as of December 31, 2024

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Teaching & Learning Committee

Then/Blumenthal moved that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed curricular changes for inclusion in the college catalogs and in the schedule of class offerings. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Proposed Curricular Changes

Resources Committee

Alcala/Figueroa moved that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution No. 44-24/25 authorizing the issuance of Riverside Community College District Election of 2024 General Obligation Bonds Series 2025A, and actions related thereto. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of 2024 General Obligation Bonds Series 2025A and Actions Related Thereto

Alcala/Blumenthal moved that the Board of Trustees approve Reimbursement Resolution No. 45-24/25 regarding the intention to issue Riverside Community College District Election of 2024 General Obligation Bonds Series 2025A. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Alcala/Figueroa moved that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution No. 46-24/25 for the Second Amended and Restated Bylaws for the Riverside Community College District Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Reimbursement Resolution
Regarding the Intention to Issue
Riverside Community College
District Election of 2024 General
Obligation Bonds Series 2025A

Resolution for the Second
Amended and Restated Bylaws for
the Riverside Community College
District Citizen's Bond Oversight
Committee

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Vice Chancellors

Presidents

Dr. Carter, Interim President, Moreno Valley College, Dr. Green, President, Norco College, and Dr. Oliveros, President, Riverside City College updated the Board on upcoming events and activities occurring at their colleges.

ACADEMIC SENATE REPORTS

Dr. Navas presented the report on behalf of Moreno Valley College.

Moreno Valley College

Representative not available.

District/Norco College

Ms. Scott-Coe presented the report on behalf of Riverside City College.

Riverside City College

BARGAINING UNIT REPORTS

Dr. Taube presented the report on behalf of CTA.

CTA – California Teachers
Association

Mr. Ashby presented the report on behalf of the CSEA.

CSEA – California School
Employees Association

BUSINESS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Blumenthal/Figueroa moved that the Board of Trustees approve the nomination to re-elect Trustee Jose Alcala, to the California Community College Trustees Board for a second term. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

California Community College
Trustees (CCCT) Board Election
2025 - Selection of Board Nominee

Update from Members of the Board
of Trustees on Business of the
Board

Trustee Hedrick

- Reflected on MLK's Legacy
- Concur with Dr. Taube's sentiment and request.
- Informed Dr. Isaac that he will set up appointments for him to come to Corona-Norco to respond to questions on Measure CC and the status.
- Returned from a trip to Cuba. Encouraged others to visit as it was an educational experience.

Trustee Then

- In response to Dr. Taube's suggestion, she offered a suggestion to vote because it is by your vote that we select our elected officials. Ask the Riverside County Office Voting Registrar for a list of your elections in your city or your unincorporated area, as the ramifications of voting are important to all of us.
- Commented on the visit at MVC by David Ambrose, Amazon External Affairs Southern Region Director with Assemblymember Jackson and his team.
- Attended a historic event of athletics coming to MVC. There were students, staff, faculty and social media presence, and local football coaches in attendance to participate in the women's flag football, winter skills camp. Hopes to see the growth of collegiate athletics at MVC. Scrimmages start in the spring.

Trustee Figueroa

- Congratulated the list of Emeriti and their families.
- Commented on the Presidential inauguration and the concerns of students. A lot of work will be done in order to protect our students and to protect our communities.
- Attended the Inland Empire Economic Partnership Annual dinner celebration to support Chancellor Isaac with receiving the Educator of the Year Award. Expressed her concern with board members not attending the event to support his achievement.
- Presented an update with the Chancellor at the Rotary Club of Riverside regarding Measure CC.
- Informed the public that she was diagnosed with breast cancer in April 2024. She has had radiation treatments and surgery.

Trustee Blumenthal

- Happy New Year

- Congratulated all who have been designated as Professor of Emeriti.
- Congratulated Chancellor Isaac as Educator of the Year especially for the particular organization.
- Reflected on the fires and all the families who have lost their homes. Loved watching all the people around Southern California helping with food and clothing.
- Honored to receive Inland Empire Magazine Lawyer of the Year Award for 2025.
- Will not discuss politics at this time, but in the future, we may need a Special Board meeting to discuss the political issues.
- Hopefully we can make 2025 the best year in this district.
- Thankful that Trustee Figueroa is still with the Board.

Trustee Alcala

- Congratulated the Emeriti.
- Congratulated the Chancellor with receiving the Educator of the Year Award, it is well deserved.
- Reiterated the purpose of trying to keep comments to 5 minutes. Wants to be efficient with the comments and respectful of the public's time.
- Honored with the opportunity to be on the tour with Amazon and Assemblymember Jackson to discuss upper skilled jobs.
- He and colleagues toured MVC to gain knowledge about the college and programs. The tour was successful. Thanked Dr. Carter for arranging.
- Commented on the difficulty of providing answers to his students regarding the political climate.
- Reminded colleagues that we need to stand together to serve our students and community.
- Thanked Trustee Figueroa for sharing her health diagnosis.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Official Minutes Approved on February 18, 2025

Certified by: Rachelle Anispe