

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
OF MARCH 18, 2025

President Alcala called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the District Office, Board Room, 3801 Market Street, Riverside, California and via videoconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Trustees Present

Mr. Jose Alcala, President
Ms. Virginia Blumenthal, Vice President
Ms. Mary Figueroa, Secretary
Mr. Jose Maya, Student Trustee
Dr. Keri Then, Board Member
Mr. Bill Hedrick, Board Member

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
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. Kimberly Bell, Academic Senate President, RCCD/Moreno Valley College
Ms. Jo Scott-Coe, Academic Senate President, Riverside City College

Guests Present

Ms. Araceli Covarrubias, Representative, California Teachers Association (CTA)
Mr. Stephen Ashby, President, California Schools Employee Association (CSEA)
Ms. Towanda Travis, Office Assistant, Financial Services, Riverside City College
Mr. Donnell Layne, Director, STEM Innovation, Moreno Valley College
Mr. Sean Drake, Professor, Mathematics, Moreno Valley College
Mr. Nathan Berry, Student
Ms. Yesenia Zendejas, Student

Trustee Hedrick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A public comment was made by Bishop Harrell, Joe Morgan; and a written comment was received from Gabriel Graves.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Blumenthal/Then moved that the Board of Trustees approve the February 4, 2025 Board of Trustees Regular/Committee meeting minutes as prepared. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES
REGULAR/COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4,
2025

Then/Hedrick moved that the Board of Trustees approve the February 18, 2025 Board of Trustees Regular meeting minutes as prepared. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (4 ayes/1 abstain [Blumenthal])

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES REGULAR
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18,
2025

PUBLIC HEARING

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Isaac commented on the following:

Chancellor's Communications

- Congratulated Trustee Blumenthal for being named the Distinguished Citizen of the Year for the Frank Miller Award, to be delivered in a ceremony on May 29.
- Congratulated MVC for being the first college in the history of RCCD to be allowed to grant the first Bachelor's degree in Emergency Management.
- Enrollment target is doing well, however, we want to increase college-going rates and graduation rates.
- We will continue to collaborate with RCOE, the local K-12 school districts, and all trustees. The strategy is to double dual enrollment, increase capture rates, guarantee admission to UCR, and implement the standard of care.
- Attended CEO Symposium with President Green and Interim President Carter.
 - An item of discussion - Expansion of Apprenticeship
 - President of Arizona State University, Dr. Michael Crow, provided an impressive keynote address about the new type of public university he is leading.
 - President of Compton College, Keith Curry, spoke about SB1348 and AB335.
- State Chancellor's Office indicated that we are on target with our DEI. We will continue to expand and increase equity. All the adjustments needed to be made in Title V to justify what the colleges do have been accomplished.
- A task force has been created that links Governor Newsom, to the California attorney general, their legal counsel, 100 attorneys from other states, the President of the UC's, the Chancellor of Cal State's, and the State Chancellor of Community College's. The task force meets on a regular basis to exchange information and discuss a common approach to the federal challenges.
- Provided a brief update on the federal government related to the Department of Education.
 - No funding has been reduced to any of the community colleges because of DEI.

- Provided an Economic Impact Study update.
- Introduced Dr. Navas to present with Mr. Lane, Mr. Drake, Ms. Zendajas, and Mr. Berry the Senate Spotlight Presentation from Moreno Valley College: Minority Science Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP).
 - Chancellor expressed deep gratitude for the program and hopes to scale it up for everyone in the district.

No Report.

Hedrick/Figueroa moved that the Board of Trustees recognize Classified Employee of the Year. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Figueroa/Then moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the initial proposal to bargain with the California Schools Employees Association, Chapter 535, to open negotiations over the 2025 summer workweek Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

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.

Healthcare Update

Recognize Classified Employee of the Year

CSEA, Chapter #535, Initial Sunshine Bargaining Proposal, 2025 Summer Workweek

Future Monthly Committee Agenda Planner and Annual Master Planning Calendar

STUDENT REPORT

Student Trustee Maya provided a brief report for Moreno Valley College and Norco College.

Student Report

Mr. Dobyns presented information on AP1015 Student Trustee – Term of Office. Discussion followed.

AP1015 Student Trustee – Term of Office

CONSENT ITEMS

Hedrick/Figueroa moved that the Board of Trustees:

Action

Approve/ratify the listed academic appointments, separations, and assignments, 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 the Purchase Orders and Purchase Order

Purchase Order and Warrant Report

Additions totaling \$3,652,405, and District Warrant Claims totaling \$12,637,539;

Approve the budget transfers as presented.;

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$132,095 to the budget;

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$90,000 to the budget;

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$10,000 to the budget;

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$76,759 to the budget;

Approve adding the revenue and expenditures of \$300,000 to the budget;

Approve the purchase of furniture, furnishings, fixtures and equipment and services from Haworth, Inc., utilizing the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC) awarded contract number 0000-7791;

Approve the purchase of help desk services for software support from Link-Systems International, Inc., utilizing the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC) awarded contract number 00002234;

Approve the purchase of technology solutions, products, and related services from ThunderCat Technology, LLC and associated original equipment manufacturers, utilizing the U.S. Commodities Government Purchasing Alliance OMNIA Partners Contract Number R210406;

Approve Resolution No. 75-24/25 for the continuation of travel management services with Concur Technologies, Inc.;

Accept the Foster Youth College Access Demonstration Project for California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office in the amount of \$180,000;

– All District Resources

Budget Adjustments

Resolution No. 66-24/25- 2024-2025 SSOIL-COP: Soil Science Integrated Learning and Career Opportunity Partnership Grant

Resolution No. 71-24/25 - 2024 - 2025 Foster Youth College Access Demonstration Project

Resolution No. 72-24/25 - 2024-2025 VITA Tax Preparation Grant

Resolution No. 73-24/25 - 2024-2025 Fresh Success Grant

Resolution No. 74-24/25 - 2024-2025 Puente Program

Purchase of Furniture, Furnishings, Fixtures and Equipment and Services from Haworth, Inc.

Purchase of Help Desk Services for software support from Link-Systems International, Inc.

Purchase of Technology Solutions, Products, and Services from ThunderCat Technology, LLC

Resolution No. 75-24/25 for Travel Management Software with Concur Technologies, Inc.

Grant Award Notice for the Foster Youth College Access Demonstration Project

Accept the California Manufacturing Technology Consulting subaward in the amount of \$100,000;

Subaward Agreement for California Manufacturing Technology Consulting

Approve the Construction Management Services Agreement with Kitchell/CEM, Inc. for the total amount of \$312,952;

MVC Organic Chemistry Laboratory and RCC Throwing Sports Field Renovation Projects

Approve the operator agreement with the Perris Community Economic Development Corporation, from the date executed and expire twenty (20) years thereafter;

Perris Community Economic Development Corporation and RCCD Operator Agreement

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, with Alvord Unified School District/Alvord Adult Education in the amount of \$181,611;

Memorandum of Understanding for English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, Alvord Unified School District

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, with Corona-Norco Unified School District/Adult Education in the amount of \$181,611;

Memorandum of Understanding for English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, Corona-Norco Unified School District

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, with Moreno Valley Unified School District/Moreno Valley Community Adult School in the amount of \$181,611;

Memorandum of Understanding for English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, Moreno Valley Unified School District

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, with Jurupa Unified School District/Jurupa Adult School in the amount of \$181,611;

Memorandum of Understanding for English Language Learners Healthcare Pathways Grant, Round 2, Jurupa Unified School District

Approve contracts totaling \$764,095 for the period of February 1, 2025 through February 28, 2025;

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

Approve the out-of-state travel;

Out-of-State Travel

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

Notice of Completion

Approve by unanimous vote: (1) declare the property on the attached list to be surplus; (2) find the property

Surplus 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.

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

The Board received the Monthly Financial Report for the month ending February 28, 2025.

The Board received the Capital Program Executive Summary Report (CPES) as of February 28, 2025.

Information

Monthly Financial Report for
Month Ending – February 28, 2025

Capital Program Executive
Summary Report as of February 28,
2025

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Advancement & Partnership Committee

Hedrick/Blumenthal moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Measure C/CC Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee applications. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Measure C/CC Citizens' Bond
Oversight Committee Applications

Equity Committee

Figueroa/Then moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Annual Equal Employment Opportunity Certification Form - Y1 and authorize Human Resources and Employee Relations to submit it. Student Trustee Advisory vote: Aye. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

Annual Equal Employment
Opportunity Certification Form -
Y1

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Vice Chancellors

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.

Presidents

ACADEMIC SENATE REPORTS

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

Moreno Valley College

Ms. Bell presented the report on behalf of Riverside Community College District/Norco College.

Riverside Community College
District/Norco College

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

Riverside City College

BARGAINING UNIT REPORTS

Ms. Covarrubias 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/Hedrick moved that the Board of Trustees approve Trustee Jose Alcala to fill one of the four vacancies on the California Community College Trustees Board. Comment followed. Motion carried. (5 ayes)

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

Trustee Hedrick:

- Suggested to monitor the extension of Prop 55 as it moves forward.
- Requested information on the Part-Time Faculty Health Care issue raised in the public comment by Mr. Morgan.
- Had a successful meeting a few weeks ago with the City of Corona Manager and Council member in regards to the Parkridge Avenue and Main Street property.
 - Recommend to consider broadening the name of Norco College to “Corona-Norco Community College” in light of our new footprint in both cities.

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

Trustee Then:

- Congratulated our district and MVC for their ongoing work necessary for the Bachelor’s program.
- Attended IETTC Draft Site Plan review, a positive meeting to discuss the 3 phases of the build-out.
- Attended the RCOE/RCCD Executive Team webinar; the whole focus was incredibly important to increase the capture rates and expand dual enrollment to increase the college-going rates.
- Pleased to hear that the rule of law was upheld today by our Supreme Court Justice; it simply stated that the way to approach legal issues is through the court system, and not to simply say that the court ruling is favorable and another court ruling is not.

Trustee Figueroa:

- Acknowledged all the work that the classified professionals do and finds the celebrations extremely inspirational.
- Read a message from a community member's husband who is taking a class at RCC; he acknowledged the beauty of the campus, the positive and energetic vibe, the facilities, and the helpfulness of the staff, especially student workers. The community member gave an accolade to the district leadership.
- Appreciates the comments from Trustees Hedrick and Then on the current status of the national situation; however, for the community, the immigration issue is not to be taken lightly.
- Recommends staff and students be versed on contact from immigration should they be stopped while they are on duty or on campus.

Trustee Blumenthal:

- Thanked the Chancellor for congratulating her for receiving the Frank Miller Civic Achievement Award.
- Commented that the City of Riverside posted an article on their website for Women's History Month recognizing her.
- This week, the Chancellor is receiving the Education Award from the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce.
- Attended the Riverside Police Foundation's 13th Annual Chief's Luncheon with Vice Chancellor Brown and RCCD Chief DiMaggio.
 - Condolences to Riverside Chief of Police Larry Gonzalez, his wife Tammy, and their family for the sudden death of their son.

Trustee Alcala:

- Congratulated the classified professionals who were honored tonight. The district is great because of the people who work here.
- Congratulated MVC on the Bachelor program.
- Commented on the MSEIP presentation and the courageous faculty who are willing to do something different to help our students be successful.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Official Minutes Approved on May 20, 2025

Certified by: Rachelle Guispe