

District Participatory Governance Council (DPGC)

April 15, 2013

Minutes

- Members Present:** Co-Chair Diana Bennett, Co-Chair Harry Joel, Peter Bruni, James Carranza, David Clay, Bailey Girard, Teeka James, Paige Kupperberg, John Mosby, Therese Salazar, Stephanie Samuelsen, Leigh Anne Shaw
- Members Absent:** Alaa Aissi, Kathy Fitzpatrick, Tony Gulli, Charles Jones, Jose Luis Sanchez, Janet Stringer
- Others Present:** Kathy Blackwood, Joi Blake, Barbara Christensen, Ginny Brooks

The meeting was called to order at 2:22 p.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes of March 4, 2013

It was voted by all Council members present to approve the March 4, 2013 meeting minutes.

Statements from the Public on Non-Agenda Items

None

Budget Update

Executive Vice Chancellor Blackwood informed the Council of several issues from the Governor's budget that could have a significant impact on the District. The first issue is regarding Adult Education; the governor proposed transferring Adult Education from K-12 schools to the community colleges and eliminating non-credit instruction at the community colleges. Both the Senate and Budget Committees did not like the idea and have postponed any further action. The Department of Finance is working on a new proposal which will be submitted in the Governor's May revise. Other items the legislators did not care for was the 90 unit cap, and the idea of requiring all students who applied for the Board of Governors' Fee Waiver to also apply for FAFSA. EVC Blackwood suspects things will look somewhat different in the May revise.

The plus side for the State is revenues are coming in significantly higher than anticipated. It will not be known until later this month if revenues are just coming in earlier or if it is an actual increase in revenue. The revenue increase this year will have a significant impact this year and a much smaller impact next year; it might be an additional \$400 million for community colleges this year and \$40 million next year. This is due to the strange way State funding works. Currently, another item proposed by the Governor is that The Board of Governors be allowed to allocate their funding per their priorities. However, the State Legislature was not too keen about having that prerogative being taken away from them. The Department of Finance is looking at re-writing this recommendation to allow the creation of certain pockets of funds that the Board of Governors could then allocate by meeting certain parameters.

The bad news for future budgeting activities is the recent change in CalPers. Currently, the employer share is at 11.4% and it is projected to increase to 12% within the next year for both Classified Staff and Classified Administrator salaries. It is projected to increase to 18% within the next 4 years. Locally, the good news is property taxes are going up which drives a good portion of the District's revenues and one-time Redevelopment funding is also anticipated as Redevelopment agencies are winding down.

Finally, Proposition 30 passed to replace State Apportionment, which was cut badly in prior years. A clause was included which states every district would get at least \$100 per FTE. This means our District will still get \$100 per FTES, even though the District is a Basic Aid district. This is currently estimated to be about \$1.9 million of funds the District did not budget for this year. The District is planning to make these funds part of next year's budget and is currently putting a plan together on how to spend it. Co-chair Joel mentioned the May Revise will be out on May 14th, 2013.

Summary of Chapter 7 Process

Vice President Joi Blake explained the process the Vice Presidents of Student Services at all three campuses used to review and update Chapter 7 Student Services policies (per the handout distributed in the meeting). Each campus took the policies to their constituents and obtained feedback. After the consultation process, the VPs reviewed the policies and used the recommendations to make necessary changes in both policies and procedures. The next steps are to have the document reviewed by DPGC and then go to the Board of Trustees for final approval. DPGC will review this chapter at the May 6th meeting. Ms. Christensen will check with Vice President Jennifer Hughes for the final draft which will be made available on the SharePoint site for DPGC to review prior to the next meeting.

Board Policies

The following policies were presented for first reading:

Policy 1.05, Student Trustee

Ms. Kupperberg requested the text be changed for the last part of item 5 to read "at least two of the Associated Student Councils, with at least two-thirds vote at each campus." Barbara will make the requested change and send out the revised copy for review.

Policy 1.40, Meeting of the Board

Ms. Christensen stated there was a minor change as noted in the addition of the red text.

Policy 2.29, Sexual Assault Education, Prevention and Reporting

Ms. Christensen stated this policy was revised to add a link to the Public Safety and Security Report and the Policies and Procedures Manual for the District's Public Safety Personnel. Ms. Kupperberg asked for clarification as to why this additional information from the procedures is being put into the policy. Co-chair Joel explained that the Cleary Act requires the policy to include the link to where the procedures can be found. Ms. Christensen confirmed it is a legal requirement.

Policy 2.35 Use of District Communications Systems

Ms. Christensen stated this is the policy that was decided upon by the District after negotiation with AFT for the past four months.

Policy 7.21 Speech: Time, Place and Manner

Ms. Christensen stated this policy was also negotiated with AFT. Co-chair Joel commented that consensus and agreement was reached and this new policy works well for all constituents.

Policy 8.13 Public Safety on District Property

Ms. Christensen stated this policy was revised to add a link to the Public Safety and Security Report and the Policies and Procedures Manual for the District's Public Safety Personnel, similar to Policy 2.29, which is legally required.

The following policies were presented for approval and generated no discussion; polling resulted in all members at the (a) level ("I support the recommendation completely") and the recommendations will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for action:

Policy 2.25, Prohibition of Harassment

Policy 2.34, Computer and Network Use

The following policies were presented for informational purposes only:

Policy 6.13, Curriculum Development, Program Review, and Program Viability

Co-chair Bennett noted this policy has been approved by the District Academic Senate. It will be going for Board approval on April 24th, 2013 Board meeting

Policy 6.16, Standards of Scholarship

Co-chair Bennett stated this policy was revised to include a reference to the procedure.

Policy 6.32, Intellectual Property

Co-chair Bennett stated this policy had previously been brought to this body at the March meeting. AFT worked with the District on the policy language. The policy verbiage may change in the future, but it is moving forward as is to meet accreditation requirements. This policy is also going for Board approval on April 24th.

Review of Policy 2.20 Equal Employment Opportunity

Discussion took place regarding the need to have the Faculty Hiring Guidelines, written in 2004, updated for future faculty hiring. Professor Shaw is on the SEED committee at Skyline College and this committee's goal is to increase the diversity of the District's pool. Professor Shaw stated that Policy 2.20 and any changes that may happen to it would affect the current Faculty Selection Guidelines. Co-chair Joel stated he is scheduled to meet with SEED next month and it is currently in the works to update the Faculty Hiring Guidelines document.

Closing Remarks/Agenda Building

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 3:28 p.m.