

Coast Board Connection

Highlights from the
Coast Community College District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Board of Trustees

Paul G. Berger
George E. Brown
Walter G. Howald
Jerry Patterson
Armando Ruiz
Heather M. Larson, Student Trustee

Chancellor

Kenneth D. Yglesias, Ed.D.

March 2, 2005

Trustees to Interview Candidates for Vacant Board Seat March 18

At their meeting March 2, the Board of Trustees determined a process for selecting from more than 40 applicants interested in being appointed to the vacant Trustee Area 4 Board seat.

The Board decided at their February 2 meeting to fill by appointment process the seat left vacant by the death of longtime Trustee Dr. Paul Berger. After widely publicizing the vacancy and application process, 44 applications were received by the deadline of 5 p.m. March 2.

Each Board member will review the applications and choose their top five candidates. The top five candidates from each Board member will then be interviewed at a special meeting on Friday, March 18, beginning at 9:00am.

Candidates will each have a 15-minute interview which will include an opportunity to make a 2-3 minute presentation, followed by questions from Board members.

According to law, the Board has until March 30, 2005 to make a provisional appointment. The candidate appointed by the Board will fill the seat until the next regular election in November 2006, unless a citizen makes a successful petition to call for a special election.

officials regarding the restoration of equalization funding to the budget for the next fiscal year. Trustee Howald thanked Board Secretary Donna Waldfoegel for her hard work on the Celebration of Life event for Trustee Berger. Trustee Howald commented that he was pleased that the District was so well represented at the event and that the event was a fitting tribute to Trustee Berger.

- Trustee Jerry Patterson attended the Celebration of Life for Trustee Paul Berger and noted that those in attendance included a wide range of students, parents, administrators and teachers that were affected by Trustee Berger. Trustee Patterson noted that with the passing of Trustee Berger, the vacancy on the Board must be filled within 60 days by appointment or election. Trustee Patterson announced that 44 applications were received and the appointment process was on the evening's agenda. Trustee Patterson also recommended that a position paper regarding the Division of State Architect's backlog and its effect on construction projects throughout the District. Trustee Patterson commented that the paper could be used in advocacy efforts in Sacramento.
- Trustee Armando Ruiz commented on the Celebration of Life honoring Trustee Berger and said that he was amazed by the number of friends, faculty, students and representatives from civic organizations that attended to celebrate Trustee Berger's life. Trustee Ruiz reported that a scholarship has been founded in Trustee Berger's name for any community college bound student from Los Amigos or Fountain Valley high schools. Trustee Ruiz reported that the State Legislative Analysts Office recently recommended putting equalization funding back into the budget. Last year, CCCD received \$3 million in equalization funding. This year, CCCD would potentially receive the same amount, bringing funding per student closer to the statewide average.
- Student Trustee Heather Larson reported that she enjoyed the opportunity to attend the legislative conference in Washington, D.C. where met with several legislators and listened to First Lady Laura Bush speak about education. Student Trustee Larson also commented that the Celebration of Life for Trustee Paul Berger was a very nice event. Student Trustee Larson announced that the District-wide Student Council passed a resolution regarding text book pricing and voted to send the resolution to other student government organizations for consideration.

REPORTS

Board of Trustees

- Board President Walt Howald wished the CCC students and other representatives good luck on their upcoming trip to Washington, D.C. Trustee Howald thanked Student Trustee Heather Larson for her hard work in Washington, D.C. Trustee Howald commented that Larson did a tremendous job speaking with legislators regarding issues pertaining to community college students. The Land Development Committee met and will bring forward for discussion a recommendation regarding the potential use of the current District site. Trustee Howald announced that he and Chancellor Yglesias co-authored a letter to state government

Chancellor

- Ken Yglesias, chancellor, said he was honored to help represent the District at the Celebration of Life honoring Trustee Paul Berger. Chancellor Yglesias also reported that the State Assembly recently adjourned session in honor of Trustee Berger. Chancellor Yglesias congratulated the students of GWC on the new Student Center. Chancellor Yglesias attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new facility and was especially impressed by the fact that the project was student-driven and that while the majority of the project was funded by Measure C, approximately \$300,000 was contributed by students.

Presidents

- Ding-Jo Currie, CCC president, extended an invitation to the grand opening of the two new Orange County One-Stop Centers. The Westminster event will be held on March 18 and the Irvine event will take place on March 24. The events will host various dignitaries from around Orange County.
- Wes Bryan, GWC president, invited everyone to visit the newly remodeled Student Center. President Bryan expressed his pride in the new facility and recommended that visitors take advantage of the new food service and inviting spaces available at the Student Center.
- Gene Farrell, OCC president, congratulated OCC student Shana Jenkins for being selected for the 2005 Phi Theta Kappa All-California Academic Team. This is a great honor and the entire college is proud of Jenkins accomplishments.

Student Government Organizations

- Jason Miller, president CalSAC, announced that SAC membership has doubled this semester to 14 students. The members are producing a Coastline Minute entitled "Leadership is Key" that will air on local access channels. SAC members are working to plan a second student event to be held this spring and will attend the National Conference on Student Leadership in April. SAC members will also attend a leadership conference at CSU Fullerton this spring. Miller will participate in an upcoming advocacy visit to Washington, D.C. with CCC faculty and staff.
- Taryn Dickinson, president, ASGWC, announced that David Escobar is the newest ASGWC board member. Escobar will handle student advocacy in his new role. Dickinson thanked everyone who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Student Center. Dickinson specifically thanked members of the Board and administrators for their support in making the new center a reality for GWC students.

Academic Senate Organizations

- Margaret Lovig, CCC senate president announced that she will attend CCC's advocacy visit to Washington, D.C. with President Currie and other CCC representatives next week.
- Kevin Parker, OCC president, announced that the first Student Learning Outcomes Café took place and was very successful. The SLO Café is intended to assist the college by providing a place for discussion of Student Learning Outcomes as required in accreditation standards. The senate is also attempting to recruit faculty to become more involved in campus committees and senate work. To that end, Parker announced that the senate is developing an incentive plan to get more faculty involved.

Appointment of Staff

Lakhani, Minesh C., DIS, Computer Operator, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, from hourly effective 02/28/05.

Acceptance of Retirements

Davidson, Harold H., Director, KOCE, retirement effective 07/01/05.

Hall Davidson will retire from the Coast District (KOCE) on June 30, 2005. Hall has been instrumental in promoting KOCE broadcast services to K-12 schools throughout Orange County for the past thirteen years. He has an extensive background in educational television with leadership roles in instructional television and educational technology. Hall also is a professional keynote speaker on topics in education, media, and technology. Hall has organized the California Student Media Festival, the oldest media festival in California, at Golden West College for the past several years. After retirement from the District, Hall will continue to consult with the KOCE Foundation. Hall and his family live in Los Angeles.

MEETING CALENDAR

March 18, 2005	Special Meeting
March 30, 2005	Special Meeting
April 6, 2005	Regular Meeting
April 20, 2005	Service Awards
May 4, 2005	Regular Meeting
May 18, 2005	Regular Meeting