



Coast Board Connection

Highlights from the Coast Community College District Board of Trustees Meeting

Board of Trustees

Mary L. Hornbuckle
Walter G. Howald
Jim Moreno
Jerry Patterson
Armando Ruiz

Michael Battistone, Student Trustee

Chancellor

Kenneth D. Yglesias, Ed.D.

REPORTS

August 20, 2008

Board of Trustees

- Trustee Jim Moreno is following the budget situation very closely and hopes the District will make it through this tough time.
- Student Trustee Michael Battistone is looking forward to getting to work. He attended a training conference in San Francisco and was very impressed with Scott Lay. The District Student Council will host their kick-off picnic on September 19 and will have an Olympic theme.
- Trustee Walt Howald had no report
- Trustee Mary Hornbuckle joined Trustee Moreno for a meeting with the auditor and is looking forward to his report.
- Trustee Armando Ruiz had no report.
- Trustee Jerry Patterson had no report.

Chancellor

- Ken Yglesias gave kudos to GWC for looking at diversity hiring when they appointed two managers. Dr. Yglesias will be attending an event welcoming Dr. Ned Doffney as the new chancellor of the North Orange County Community College District. Dr. Yglesias then invited C.M. Brahmbhatt to speak on the California budget situation. Brahmbhatt reported that the government is experiencing a major budget impasse and, if the budget is not passed this weekend, no one expects anything to be passed until at least mid-September. The District has ensured that everyone will be paid on time and will update the Board as soon as information becomes available.

Presidents

- Bob Dees, OCC President, reported that an accreditation task force has been formed to address the issues raised in the report. On Thursday, astronomy faculty and Dees will go to the Griffith Park Observatory and begin planning a new Planetarium at OCC. Dees spent the morning in final interviews for the Fine Arts Director and is pleased with all of the applicants.
- Wes Bryan, GWC President, reported that their final hiring cycle would be complete, with tonight's Board approval. GWC has put up a new help desk to aid students during the first three weeks of school. GWC water polo has nine people in the Olympics, including athletes and coaches. When the assistant coach returns from the Olympics, he will be the new head coach at GWC.
- Ding-Jo Currie, CCC President, reported that GWC has had a very busy summer and is excited to see the enrollment numbers for fall. Coastline's All-College meeting will be on September 5 and will feature a video presentation from students who traveled to the school in Africa.

Employee Representative Groups

- Barbara Price, President of the Part-Time Faculty Union, thanked Coastline for allowing the P/T Faculty Union to participate in their orientation, but was surprised that she was not asked to speak at the OCC orientation. The Union is still waiting for the print of their contract. Price spoke at COCAL and presented a report to the

Board. She also announced that the first newsletter is out and she invited the Board to the Union's picnic.

- Dean Mancina, President of Coast Federation of Educators, reported that the Union hosted breakfast for the new full-time and tenure-track teachers. At the next meeting, the Board will approve the reopening of contract negotiations.

Student Government Organizations

- David Lopez, ASGWC President, reported that an officer of ASGWC attended a conference on motivating students to vote. There will be a committee formed by those who attended the Environmental Sustainability Conference and they will present a report to President Bryan on their goals. During the first week of classes, ASGWC officers will work at an information booth on campus to help and recruit students. The ASGWC has agreed to sponsor the International Week of Peace, which will feature an essay contest with a scholarship reward. Lopez thanked the Interim VP of Student Services, Stan Francus, for attending their last meeting.
- Sheena Prevette, President ASOCC, reported that the officers have just gone through governmental training and their meetings start this week.

Academic Senate Organizations

- Cheryl Stewart, Coastline AS President, was pleased to see that all three colleges had representation at the Basic Skills Institute, which provided good, practical solutions to solve campus problems. The College Council has approved the formation for a Sustainability Committee ensuring that Coastline continues a long-term commitment to going green. The classified council has been instrumental in helping to answer the questions through the "Ask Me" recruitment tool. During the first week of school, all meetings will be cancelled at Coastline to make sure that staff and faculty will be on hand to help students to going green. The classified council has been instrumental in helping to answer the questions through the "Ask Me" recruitment tool. During the first week of school, all meetings will be cancelled at Coastline to make sure that staff and faculty will be on hand to help students.
- Diane Ristelli, Golden West AS President, toured the Health Sciences Building and reported that the second and third floors will be ready for students on the first day of classes.
- Eduardo Arismendi-Pardi, Orange Coast AS President, is committee to fixing the problems identified in the OCC Accreditation Warner. The AS supports an increase the Lecture Hour Equivalent of the Program Review Coordinator from six to 15 to ensure transparency in the process. Arismendi-Pardi closed by saying that he is concerned with the declining rate of acceptance of OCC Honors students into UCLA.

MEETING CALENDAR

September 3, 2008
September 17, 2008
October 1, 2008

Regular/Organizational Meeting
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