



**MIRACOSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
ONE BARNARD DRIVE — OCEANSIDE, CA**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING/WORKSHOP

JUNE 10, 2021

(Approved July 15, 2021)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the MiraCosta Community College District met in a regular meeting/workshop on Thursday, June 10, 2021, via Zoom conference. President Rick Cassar called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

II. FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL

Board members present:

David Broad

Frank Merchat (arrived at 4:13 p.m.)

Rick Cassar

Anna Pedroza

William Fischer

Jacqueline Simon

George McNeil

Superintendent/President Sunita V. Cooke

Vice President Tim Flood

Vice President Charlie Ng

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON AND NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

IV. CHANGES IN AGENDA ORDER

None.

V. WORKSHOP

A. Fiscal Year 2021/22 Tentative Budget Workshop

Vice President of Administrative Services Tim Flood provided an overview of the FY2021/22 tentative budget.

Flood reviewed the assumptions for FY2020/21 and the Measure MM Bond fund status. He indicated the budget shaped up better than expected and noted expenses are down a bit as a result of working mostly remotely.

Flood reviewed the Governor's May Revise for FY2021/22, which is what the district uses to forecast and build its tentative budget. He noted the improved outlook for tax revenues, with a \$75.7 billion surplus resulting from high income earners that did well through the pandemic. The GAN limit will also be exceeded by \$16 billion, which will result in the distribution of funds through the Golden State Stimulus and additional K-12 and community college support. Last year at this time, the upcoming budget year looked bleak. However, because revenues

were better than expected and expenses were lower, the district made good progress on its strategic efforts and maintained a fully balanced budget. The impacts of Covid-19 and the economic recovery, the return to campus and remote work changes, possible Federal initiatives, and declining enrollment trends will continue to be monitored.

Flood presented a balanced budget for the upcoming fiscal year, but noted that the Governor and Legislature are still in negotiations over the final budget allocations that will be included in the 2021/22 state budget act. Flood reviewed the number of student-focused program investments, workforce-focused investments, and technology-focused investments that are being funded and supported, and differences between the Governor's and Legislature's budget packages.

The board looked back at budget directives and priorities for FY2020/21 and reviewed board directives and priorities for FY2021/22. Looking forward to the landscape for 2021/22, Flood noted projected revenue increases driven by property taxes, as well as increased costs in a number of areas, including with CalSTRS, CalPERS, and health care. If expected financial investment returns occur within the state retirement systems, then these increases, are projected to level off over the next couple of years.

Cooke shared that she is leading a coalition of community-funded districts and is working with an advocacy firm to stay ahead of the possibility of Basic Aid status being harmed.

Board members addressed questions and provided input in preparation for being asked to approve the tentative budget on June 17, 2021.

B. Fiscal Year 2023-27 Five-Year Capital Construction Plan Workshop

Vice President of Administrative Services Tim Flood provided an overview of the Five-Year Capital Construction Plan, so board members could address any questions with the superintendent/president and provide input before the board is asked to approve the plan and before the submission of the plan to the Chancellor's Office by August 1, 2021

Flood reminded trustees of the Capital Improvement Program values that are considered for all projects. Currently, 42 projects are in process, with an additional 12 Facilities Master Plan projects upcoming.

Facilities Director Tom Macias provided an overview of the projects at the Community Learning Center. To date, two of the five projects (monument sign and the new Student Services Building) are completed. By the end of summer 2022, all projects at the CLC are expected to be completed. An onsite ribbon cutting is anticipated for the fall at the CLC.

At the San Elijo Campus, 12 projects, 3 of which are completed (Student Services and Administration Building, B1200 renovation, and B100 renovation), and all remaining projects are expected to be completed by summer 2022. A virtual ribbon cutting for the recently completed projects at the San Elijo Campus is anticipated for this summer.

Kitchell's David Dunn provided an overview of the Oceanside Campus. The completed Athletic Field and temporary swing space village, first for the occupants of the Administration Building during its renovation, and then for the occupants of the Library during its renovation, are completed projects.

It was important to note that we have seen huge escalation in the cost of building supplies, and the cost of goods, along with changes in state regulatory requirements, has had a tremendous impact on projects.

Although the CLC projects are on budget, the San Elijo Campus will need an additional \$3 million in funding, and the Oceanside Campus will need an additional \$45 million, due to the steep escalation in the cost of materials, and because the majority of projects have yet to be completed. Ways in which to improve efficiencies without compromising quality will continue to be explored in the Facilities Master Plan.

Kitchell's Geoff Bachanas reviewed metrics about the locality of all contract awardees related to Measure MM projects. This is tracked to ensure that, whenever possible, dollars spent go to local businesses and small and historically underutilized businesses. These results have increased by approximately ten percent over last year, as a result of strategic targeting of the bidding process. This continues to be a priority for securing bidding from local firms.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Contract Between Social Tech, Inc. and MiraCosta Community College District

By motion of Trustee McNeil, seconded by Trustee Fischer, the board approved the contract with Social Tech, Inc.

Vote: 7/0/0

Aye: Broad, Cassar, Fischer, McNeil, Merchat, Pedroza, Simon

Abstention: None

Absent: None

B. Approve Contract Between The Phoenix Philanthropy Group and the MiraCosta College District

By motion of Trustee McNeil, seconded by Trustee Fischer, the board approved the contract with The Phoenix Philanthropy Group.

Vote: 7/0/0

Aye: Broad, Cassar, Fischer, McNeil, Merchat, Pedroza, Simon

Abstention: None

Absent: None

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cooke anticipates that September will be the earliest that a board meeting would be held in person on campus, due to the Boardroom being relocated to a portable building, the San Elijo Campus continuing to be closed through the fall semester, and putting the appropriate technology in place to accommodate broadcasting the meeting in a hybrid manner.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Rick Cassar
Board President

Sunita V. Cooke, Ph.D.
Superintendent/President