



# SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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## DISTRICT GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

October 20, 2021

**Present:** Beresford, Bocaya, Boger, Borek, Bromma, Crocitti, Dowd, King (for Parrill), Kovrig, Lundburg, Luster, Mahler, Manis, Martin, Murphy, Owusu, Ryan, Shabazz, Short, Smith, Spearman, Topham, Trinh, Young, and Chairperson Cortez

**Absent:** Parrill

**Guests:** Ficken, Lerma

### 1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda for the October 20, 2021, DGC meeting was reviewed and approved with an edit to agenda item nine. President Lundburg requested a title change from "Police Taskforce" to "Police Issues."

### 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of October 6, 2021, were approved as amended by Miramar President Lundburg, Continuing Education Classified Senate President Kovrig, and Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd.

### 3. **NO REVIEW OF BOARD AGENDA**

### 4. **ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

No additional agenda items.

### 5. **BUDGET & FINANCE**

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd reported that it is a slow time from a state budget standpoint until January 2022, when the Governor releases the initial budget proposal. At the last SDCCD Board meeting, the Board took action to authorize the issuance of Refunding Bonds. Depending on the status of the market, the expected saving is between 36 and 37 million dollars. If however, it does not save taxpayers money, no refunding bonds will be issued. Chancellor Cortez encouraged Council members to continue thinking of ideas and strategies to maximize the benefit around the student success formula and increasing class size.

### 6. **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Chancellor Cortez updated the Council on COVID-19 planning. There is progress around reduction of COVID-19 cases and deaths in San Diego County. As of November 1, many employees, regardless of their classification, will move to the next planning phase and will be expected to work in person at least three days a week. The District will proceed with the expectation that offices and campuses will be fully re-open for in person services in January 2022. Future plans for flexible work schedules are currently being researched and lead by Vice Chancellor Smith. Onsite testing will continue throughout the Spring semester.

**7. STRATEGIC PLANNING**

Chancellor Cortez reported that the District is currently in the process of selecting a consultant to help facilitate the Districtwide Strategic Plan. The RFP process will include a subcommittee to select the winning bid.

**8. STUDENT HOUSING**

Chancellor Cortez reported that there are a lot of conversations happening around student housing both in and out of educational settings. Across all levels of government there has been an increased interest in student housing, and it has resulted in increased resources. Both City and Miramar College plan to apply for student housing funding through SB 169. In addition, the District has been engaged in conversations with the city and county to build housing for special populations such as foster youth, single parents, and formerly incarcerated students. Student housing plans will be included in each of the institutions' master plans and interwoven into the District strategic plan. The College of Continuing Education does not qualify for SB 169 funds, but they are exploring other opportunities such as Homekey funds.

**9. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

Vice Chancellor Topham brought Chapter 4 Administrative Procedures Instructional Services and Chapter 5 Board Policies and Administrative Procedures Student Services to DGC for a second reading. They were revised in response to CCLC Legal Updates and the required 6-Year Review. Motion to approve by Continuing Education Classified Senate President Kovrig and seconded by Mesa Academic Senate President Crocitti, the changes were unanimously approved.

**10. POLICE ISSUES**

City Academic Senate President Spearman brought concerns around the collective bargaining agreement between the District and Police Officers Association, and student friendly campus police uniforms. The City College Academic Senate has concerns around the collective bargaining contract and its benefits to the District. They would like to know if faculty can be involved or if there is opportunity for input. Chancellor Cortez reminded the Council that conversations around collective bargaining are limited to administration and direct parties. Vice Chancellor Smith explained the process of providing input at a public board meeting, specifically when parts of the contract are about to sunshine and are open for negotiation. The current collective bargaining agreement will expire in June 2023. The sunshine process will be initiated a few months before.

Spearman stated that students have also provided him with feedback around their comfort level with the heavy police presence on campus, and feels that a more informal uniform may help with this. Chancellor Cortez stated that the Police Taskforce is the platform where these concerns and recommendations can be brought forward, rather than DGC.

Adjourned 4:04 p.m.