

# DISTRICT GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES November 2, 2022

**<u>Present</u>**: Beresford, Bethea, Bocaya, Bromma, Carrasquillo, Crocitti, Dowd, Hands, Hoffman,

S. King, T. King, Kogan, Kovrig, Lundburg, Mahler, Martin, Moore (Hill), Peterson,

Ryan, Shabazz, Short, Smith, Topham, Truong and Chairperson Cortez

Absent: Hill, Zeledón-Pérez

**Guests:** Ficken-Davis, Fitch, Lamb, Lerma

#### 1. AGENDA

The agenda for the November 2, 2022, DGC meeting was reviewed and approved.

Mesa College Classified Senate President S. King added an item to discuss remote work policies and concerns.

#### 2. REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 19, 2022, meeting were approved as submitted with minor spelling revisions.

## 3. **GOVERNANCE**

The agenda for the November 10, 2022, Board Meeting was opened for review by Chancellor Cortez. Each item was discussed and satisfied.

Board Office Supervisor Ficken-Davis brought Chapter 2 Board Policies and Administrative Procedures to DGC for second review and approval. Motion to approve by Vice Chancellor Smith and seconded by Mesa Academic Senate President Crocitti, the changes were unanimously approved.

Vice Chancellor Topham brought Chapter 3 Board Policies and Administrative Procedures to DGC for review. Changes are being made to BP and AP 3560 to allow the use of alcoholic beverages on campus for instructional and/or fundraising purposes. Chancellor Cortez explained it is a trial run specifically designed for special events on campus that could offer an opportunity to bring in revenue. Several California Community Colleges allow alcoholic beverages on campus.

Changes are also being made BP and AP 3540 Sexual and Other Assaults on Campus and AP 3434 Responding to Harassment Based on Sex Under Title IX. They are being updated to add legal state and federal requirements, to align with CCLC, and to provide in-depth statewide definitions of sexual harassment.

Vice Chancellor Smith brought back BP and AP 3310 Records Retention and Destruction and BP and AP 3720 Computer and Network Use for second review and approval. Motion to approve by Continuing Education Classified Senate President Kovrig and seconded by City College President Shabazz, the changes were unanimously approved.

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd brought BP 6300 Fiscal Management to DGC for review. Changes are being made to align with CCLC and to align with the adoption of the resolution that directs the Chancellor (or designee) to take actions to achieve and

maintain an unrestricted general fund reserve of two months of the projected annual unrestricted general fund operating expenditures. These category two changes and only need to come to DGC once before going to the Board at the November 10, 2022, Board meeting. Motion to approve by City College President Shabazz and seconded by Mesa Academic Senate President Crocitti, the changes were unanimously approved.

#### 4. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Vice Chancellor Topham gave an enrollment update. Enrollment for Fall semester is at 85% of the target. The College of Continuing Education continues to enroll for classes until the end of the semester but overall, the SDCCD's enrollment is trending in the right direction. Each college remains vigilant in increasing enrollment efforts. There has also been an increase in applicants who are PELL grant recipients.

# 5. **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd reported that it is a quiet time until January 2023 where there will be a first glimpse of the State Budget and its on California community colleges.

# 6. PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

Vice Chancellor Topham explained that the District has re-engaged with MIG, Inc. consultants to add long and short-term goals and objectives to the strategic plan. There will be opportunities for feedback from various stakeholders and she encouraged participation from the DGC.

AFT Guild 1931 President Mahler opened a discussion on DGC meeting modality. He proposed that all meetings take place in person with the majority at the District Office and four at the campuses. The proposal will run through the academic year and then revisited each spring. Motion to approve by AFT Guild 1931 President Mahler and seconded by City College President Shabazz, the proposal did not pass with the majority of members voting against it.

The group continued the discussion, and a second proposal was made by Miramar Academic Senate President Martin. He proposed that the meetings be HyFlex so that people can attend them online or in-person. Motion to approve by Miramar Academic Senate President Martin and seconded by Miramar Academic Senate Vice President Carrasquillo, the proposal did not pass with the majority of members voting against it.

After a robust discussion, a third and final proposal was put forth by AFT Guild 1931 President Mahler. Meetings will be in person when there is a Budget Council Meeting and for the first and last meetings of the school year. The campuses and District Office will host in person meetings and there will be no virtual option. Motion to approve by AFT Guild 1931 President Mahler and seconded by Continuing Education Classified Senate President Kovrig, the proposal was unanimously approved.

# 7. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Vice Chancellor Smith provided an overview of COVID outbreaks and statistics. The state of California will rescind its state of emergency in January 2023 as COVID transmission rates seem to be decreasing. The SDCCD is discussing mask mandates and the possibility of lifting its current mandate for both students and employees. The District can reinstate the mask mandate if transmission rates increase or if there is a new variant that poses a serious threat to public health. The group had a

discussion of pros and cons. Vice Chancellor Smith will continue to communicate considerations for changing standing policies and procedures around COVID.

Vice Chancellor Peterson gave a Police Advisory Committee (PAC) Update. The group continues to meet and recently had a robust discussion on tasers. As of right now, the District has not moved forward with purchasing tasers and will continue to assess and provide solutions for policing on campus. The District will also invite various stakeholders to participate in discussions around policing and will take the time to assess, plan, and implement any changes. Chief of Police Ramos will also be invited to an upcoming DGC meeting to give a presentation on the PAC.

## 8. FACILITIES

Vice Chancellor Peterson updated the council on housing. The District is planning a December or January study session on housing and he encouraged everyone to participate. When the date is determined, details will be sent to the DGC.

## 9. **PEOPLE AND CULTURE**

Mesa College Classified Senate President S. King opened a discussion on remote work. She shared a document from the Mesa Classified Senate that outlines concerns around equity and accountability. The item will be brought back to DGC at the December 7, 2022, meeting for a more in-depth discussion.

Adjourned 4:46 p.m.