# WEST KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# SPECIAL MEETING JOINT BOARD RETREAT WITH TAFT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# April 23, 2018

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the West Kern Community College District and Board of Trustees of Taft Union High School District was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Dawn Cole. Secretary Emmanuel Campos and Trustees Michael Long, Dr. Kathy Orrin and Billy White were present. TUHS Trustees John Kopp, Paul Linder, Wendy Berry and Julie Ortlieb were in attendance. TUHS trustee Rick Twisselman was absent. Superintendent/President Dr. Debra Daniels and Executive Secretary Sarah Criss were in attendance. TUHS Superintendent Dr. Blanca Cavazos, Principal Mary Alice Finn and Secretary Julie Gragg were in attendance.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cole led the pledge of allegiance.

#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS - WKCCD AND TUHS BOARD MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Trustees and staff from each school introduced themselves.

# PUBLIC COMMENT ON JOINT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

No comments were heard.

### JOINT BOARD MEETING ITEMS

#### **Discussion on Joint Initiatives**

Dr. Daniels and Dr. Cavazos facilitated discussion to focus on two basic questions in regards to joint efforts:

- What are we doing well?
- What do we need to work on?

The trustees from each site provided insight and reflection on efforts that have been made to serve students in our community. A sample of noted items were:

## Things We Do Well

- Public recognition of bridge to Taft College (i.e. Merit Award Scholarship)
- Expanding CTE/Dual Enrollment Opportunities
- Student safety

#### Things We Need to Do

- Systematic collaboration of both faculties
- Provide opportunities for TC/TUHS mentorship
- Verify we are offering what students want/need

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Discussion was also had in clarifying the "why" to determine the motivation of the districts to offer joint programs/opportunities. The Boards decided to begin development of a shared statement of the vision and goal of joint efforts between the districts. Dr. Daniels and Dr. Cavazos will prepare a draft to present at the next Joint Board meeting. President Cole thanked both Superintendents for the facilitation of the meeting and the Boards for the active participation.

President Cole called for a recess at 7:15 p.m. to allow the TUHS Board and staff to exit after the shared items were completed. The meeting commenced at 7:22 p.m. after a short break.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

There were no comments on items of general interest.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No comments were heard.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:23 p.m. it was moved by Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Long and unanimously carried, that the Board convene in Closed Session to discuss the District's position regarding the following matters:

- A. Public Employee Appointment/Employment, Government Code Section 54957
- B. Public Employee Performance Evaluations, Government Code Section 54957
- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment, Government Code Section 54957
- D. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code section 54957.6)
  Agency Designated Representative: Superintendent/President
  Employee Organizations: TC Faculty Association, CSEA Chapter #543 &
  Management/Supervisory/Classified Confidential Employees
- E. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation
   Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section
   54956.9 2 Potential Cases
   Claim Received from Donald Thornsberry
   Claim Received from Melissa Thornsberry
- F. Student Discipline and Other Confidential Student Matters, Education Code Sections 35146, 48900 et. Seq. and 48912(b)

#### RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION; ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

At 7:48 p.m., it was moved by Trustee Long, seconded by Secretary Campos and unanimously carried, to reconvene in Public Session. President Cole reported there was no action taken during Closed Session.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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At 7:49 p.m., on a motion by Trustee Long, seconded by Trustee White and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully Submitted:
Emmanuel Campos, Secretary