WEST KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING

January 23, 2018

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the West Kern Community College District was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by President Dawn Cole. Secretary Emmanuel Campos and Trustees Dr. Kathy Orrin and Billy White were present. Trustee Michael Long was absent. Superintendent/President Dr. Debra Daniels and Executive Secretary Sarah Criss were in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No comments were heard.

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cole led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON OPEN SESSION ITEMS

No comments were heard.

PRESENTATION - Bond Study

Amanda Clifford, of Clifford Moss, reviewed the timeline and objectives necessary to place a bond measure on an election ballot. Currently, the District is in the election prep phase and would not begin a campaign phase until Board action has been taken. It is expected that the Board will see an official Resolution at the February regular Board meeting for consideration.

Courtney Jones, of Jones Hall Law Corporation, provided on overview of the needed items in a resolution for this type of election item. With a 55 percent voter approval, this resolution requires a chosen election date, bond amount, project list and necessary term and rate information to be transparent to local voters. The resolution and necessary ballot language will reinforce accountability with the required annual audit and citizen's oversight process.

Ms. Clifford reiterated that the District can educate but not advocate. Employees are able to advocate on their own time and with non-district resources.

NEW BUSINESS

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Request for Approval - Resolution 2017/18-07 - Notice of Layoff - Classified Employees - Reduction in Force Due to Lack of Funds and/or Lack of Work

Dr. Debra Daniels stated that this layoff of one employee is in connection with the District terminating the grant with which the employee is funded. College Dental Hygiene students can no longer serve the grant and the Kern County Superintendent of Schools will be taking the grant over. On a motion by Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Orrin and unanimously carried, the resolution was approved (copy attached to official minutes).

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

There were no comments on items of general interest.

NEXT MEETING

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 14, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:21 p.m., on a motion by Secretary Campos, seconded by Trustee White and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:
Emmanuel Campos, Secretary