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The Governing Board of the Contra Costa Community College District is comprised of five trustees elected from individual wards and one student member with an advisory vote selected on a rotating basis from our colleges. The Governing Board meets on the last Wednesday of the month in the George R. Gordon Education Center, 500 Court Street, Martinez. You can reach the Governing Board by calling (925) 229-1000. Minutes of the meetings are available online at www.4cd.net.

Governing Board Meeting of July 26, 2006

The Contra Costa Community College District (CCCCD) Governing Board met in the George R. Gordon Education Center, Martinez, California on July 26, 2006. The meeting began with a closed session at 4:00 p.m. followed by open session at 5:00 p.m. Highlights of the meeting follow:

Retiree Health Benefit Liability Obligation

Jean Vergara of Rael & Letson gave a report on the retiree health benefit liability for the District in light of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 43 and 45. As of June 30, 2006, the present value of the District's retiree health benefit liability ranges between \$230M and \$345M depending on the rate of return of the District's investments. At present, the District has set aside \$27.8M in funding towards this obligation. Ms. Vergara's presentation is attached.

Options for Funding District's Retiree Health Benefits Liability

Beginning in 2007-08, the accounting rules of GASB 45 will require the District to start accruing its unfunded liability for retiree health benefits. Currently, the District funds the increasing expense of retiree health benefits on the "pay-as-you-go" method with an additional \$1M being contributed towards the unfunded liability. To fully fund the annual accrual, as proposed under GASB 45, the District's total annual expense towards retiree health benefits would more than double. Interim Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration Doug Roberts presented a summary of options for funding the District's retiree health benefits liability. His presentation is attached.

District's Financial Review, Part II

Michael Hill, a consultant hired by the Chancellor to assess the District's financial practices, gave his second and final report. His presentation is attached.

New Full-time Faculty

The Governing Board approved the hiring of 23 new full-time faculty for all three colleges for the fall semester (Board Report No. 3-B). To date, 34 full-time faculty members have been hired. This is the largest group of faculty to be hired in quite a few years. District

orientation will be held for all new faculty members on August 10, 2006, and August 11, 2006. A reception will be held for them from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. prior to the August 30, 2006, Board meeting.

Out-of-State Field Trip

The Governing Board approved a field trip for two Contra Costa College students to assist in planning and designing the student contest portion of the Supercomputing Education Program that will be held in Argonne, Illinois, from July 27, 2006, to July 30, 2006.

CCCCD Student Health Service Fee

The Governing Board approved the student health service fee (Board Report No. 7-D) that will be implemented in the Fall 2007 semester. With the implementation of the fee, health services will be offered for all students enrolled at all District colleges and centers.

Resolution of the Governing Board of the Contra Costa Community College District Declaring Results of Bond Election Held June 6, 2006

In Board Report No. 7-E, the Governing Board certified the results of the bond election held on June 6, 2006, for Measure A 2006.

Board Policy 1010, Code of Ethics of the Governing Board

A first reading of Board Policy 1010, Code of Ethics of the Governing Board, was presented to the Governing Board. Language was included in this Board Policy in response to a recommendation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, the District's accrediting agency. The language provides a mechanism for responding to Board members who violate the code of ethics.

Plans for Opening of San Ramon Valley Center (SRVC)

Interim Diablo Valley College (DVC) President Diane Scott-Summers, DVC Vice President of Institutional Affairs Terry Shoaff, and SRVC Satellite Business Services Manager Alan Fitzgerald, shared plans for the opening of SRVC. The plans include marketing efforts that retain current students and attract new students.

Interim Management Appointments

Chancellor Helen Benjamin announced that Diane Scott-Summers was selected as Interim President, Diablo Valley College; Eugene Huff was selected as Interim Vice Chancellor, Human Resources and Organizational Development; and Doug Robert was selected as Interim Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration.

Upon approval at the next regular meeting, complete Governing Board minutes for this meeting will be posted at: http://www.4cd.net/governing_board/minutes06_07.asp.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 30, 2006, AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE GEORGE R. GORDON EDUCATION CENTER,
500 COURT STREET, MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA**