

# BOARDreport

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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 trustee 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](http://www.4cd.net).*

## *Governing Board Meeting of August 31, 2005*

The Contra Costa Community College District Governing Board met in the George R. Gordon Education Center at 500 Court Street in Martinez on August 31, 2005. The Governing Board first held a closed session from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. and began its open meeting at 7 p.m. Here are highlights from the Governing Board meeting. For detailed minutes, please visit [http://www.4cd.net/governing\\_board/agenda.asp](http://www.4cd.net/governing_board/agenda.asp).

### **Presentations from the Public: National Payroll Week**

In keeping with its desire to recognize the important work of its employees, the Governing Board undertook to mark National Payroll Week (September 5-9). Acting Vice Chancellor Doug Roberts made a presentation recognizing the contributions of employees who work in payroll at the colleges and the District Office. Roberts noted that 41,000 District payroll checks are issued each year and praised payroll employees for an error rate of less than one-tenth of one-tenth of a percent. Those payroll employees present at the meeting were: Linda Rosales, Director of Payroll at the District Office (DO); Lilly Harper, CCC; Nick Dimitri, CCC; Tina Murphy, DVC; Linda Kohler, LMC; Adrian Walker, DO; Chris Panus, DO; Becky Fairchild, DO; Susan Allds, DO; and Beverly Jones, DO. Those not present included: Charlie Itzko, DO; Marie Kobase, DVC; Raquel Rowe, LMC; Ann Starke, LMC; Kathy Griffin, LMC; Pam Daniels, CCC.

### **Public Hearing and Board Report No. 13-B: Presentation of Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2006**

Acting Vice Chancellor Doug Roberts presented an overview of the Adopted Budget for the 2005-2005 fiscal year. The balanced budget, which includes \$142 million in unrestricted operating funds, was later approved by the Governing Board under Business Board Reports. The budget also includes a \$10.8 million (or 7.7%) reserve. In addition, the budget contains cuts of \$3,016,131 in non-salary college and District operating funds, as well as \$4,547,232 in employee salaries. Restoration of these cuts is one of the District's priorities as the fiscal situation improves.

Other highlights:

- 4.25% COLA for 2005-2006
- \$879,000 increase in Partnership for Excellence (PFE) funds over the 2004-2005 funding level, due to an additional \$31.4 million in additional PFE funds statewide.
- An FTES shortfall of \$3.9 million.
- Healthcare cost increase of 8.3% mitigated by 6% employee premium contribution.

### **Board Report No. 13-C: Resolution Approving Lease Purchase Agreement for District Information Technology Computer Software**

The resolution approves the lease of an AntiVirus software solution to protect computers throughout the District from malicious attacks such as worms, viruses and Trojan horses. The resolution locks in an interest-free rate of just less than \$36,000 for each of the next three years, including free home use licenses and email SPAM filtering. College technology managers have agreed that this is the most advantageous solution for the District.

### **Board Report No. 14-A: Ratification of Tentative Agreement Dated July 18, 2005 with Public Employees Union, Local 1**

The tentative agreement, which was first ratified by Local 1 on July 1, was ratified by the Governing Board at its meeting. It was noted that the contract contains a number of financial sacrifices made by classified employees to help the District return to fiscal stability, including an ongoing 3.38% salary reduction, 6% employee co-pays of health and dental premiums, and an end to lifetime retiree medical coverage for new hires. The agreement will be in effect through June of 2008. During the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 years, the contract is subject to re-openers regarding salary, health benefits, and one article each party designates.

### **Board Report No. 15-A: Resolution to Declare September 16, 2005 as Constitution Day**

The resolution approved by the Governing Board declares September 16, 2005 as Constitution Day and implements a federal directive to set aside time for an educational program about the U.S. Constitution at each college.

### **Measure A Program Update Report**

A status report on Measure A, given as a routine matter three times a year, was presented by Jeff Kingston, Vice Chancellor of Facilities and Operations. The report included a detailed Capital Construction Projects Update and Expenditure Summary as well as a Scheduled Maintenance Projects Update and Expenditure Summary. The Governing Board also noted that at its recent retreat, it had reviewed the Measure A project list and recognized the need to prioritize it, since inflation has affected the District's ability to complete all projects.

## **NEXT MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**The next meeting of the Governing Board will be held on September 28, 2005.**