



## ADOPTED MINUTES

### FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, October 17, 2007

#### CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

On Wednesday, October 17, 2007, at 4:02 p.m., Clerk of the Board Rebecca Ramirez called the Special Meeting of the Imperial Community College District Board of Trustees to order in the Administration Building Board Room.

#### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Carlos R. Acuña  
Rudy Cardenas, Jr. [4:05 p.m.]  
Norma Sierra Galindo  
Marian Long  
Rebecca L. Ramirez  
Louis Wong

#### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Romualdo Medina

#### REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Dr. Bruce Seivertson, Academic Senate Representative  
David Lopez, ASG Representative  
Suzanne Gretz, CTA Representative

#### CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

Gary Rodgers, Interim Superintendent/President  
Kathy Berry, Vice President for Academic Services  
John Lau, Vice President for Business Services

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Ramirez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Dean of Extended Campus Efrain Silva invited the Trustees to the Life Long Learning, an Imperative for the Future event. He stated it would take place on Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at the IV Expo Plaza de la Cultura in Imperial and stated the theme would be a unified vision for schools.

CTA President Suzanne Gretz stated she did not wish to disrespect the Foundation; however, wanted to address that she felt the composition of the presidential search committee as it exists represents the constituencies well. She stated she has served on a number of committees and adding an additional person would increase the work. She stated Board members would be representing the community and felt that the Board could adequately represent without other constituencies.

IVC Foundation Director Gene Hill read a letter dated October 17, 2007, from Brooks Anderholt, as follows:

“Dear Trustees:

I have asked the Executive Director of the Imperial Valley College Foundation to read you this letter as I am unavailable at the moment or would have been here personally. When I began service on the Foundation Board of Directors in 1996 most of the trustees understood the function of the Foundation and its partnership with the college. I fear that is no longer true and to a great extent the fault falls on us for not informing and educating new trustees as to the Foundation, its mission and inter-relationship with the college.

The Foundation is more than a depository for scholarship monies. When the college faced financially difficult times, before the bookkeeping error, who stepped forward and infused nearly \$200,000.00 into the campus? The Foundation. If you visit science classrooms and other locations on campus you will see overhead projectors and other equipment donated by the Foundation. The infusion of funds addressed needs that the college could not fund at the time.

The Foundation continues to receive requests for funds and tries to address them. If the Foundation had more money the needs could be addressed.

But, a Foundation needs support, not only from its own board but from the governing board, you. El Centro and Holtville have their own foundations and they are supported by their governing boards. Trustees donate and support fundraisers and talk up their foundations because they understand that Sacramento cannot fund it all.

Who did you call upon for funding of multiple bond actions? The IVC Foundation. We were finally successful with the last effort and I do not believe the bond would have passed without the ad campaign partially financed by the Foundation.

When the science building and other buildings are completed and ready for occupancy, do you have the funds to fully furnish them and place into them all of the needed items for our students? I doubt it. The bonds do not fund all of those items. Who will your instructors and department heads turn to for help? The IVC Foundation.

In today's educational institutions, fundraising is as much a part of a college president's job as is running the school. He or she must be active in the community and a full partner with the foundation to raise needed funds not supplied by Sacramento. Dr. Pai understood that. Do you have anyone on the search committee that really knows what a foundation does? No. Do you have anyone on the search committee that can really look for what is necessary in that area? No.

The Foundation asked to be a partner in this search process and was turned down. I, for one, was troubled by that because it tells me we let some of you down by not explaining the partnership that has and will continue to exist between the Foundation and the college. We are here to help the school, but most importantly, the students who are our future.

We are not a special interest group. But, we are a group of special volunteers who support the college and are interested in the success of the college and its mission.

We are not just a community interest group. We are a full partner and I ask that you allow us to assist in the selection of the next president of the college who will not only have to be a good administrator but also a good fundraising partner with the Foundation.

Thank you for your time. Brooks Anderholt”

**BUSINESS**

**M/S/C Ramirez/Acuña**

**Resolution No. 13976: Deny Adding an IVC Foundation Member to the Presidential Search Committee**

Motion by Trustee Galindo to approve the resolution. Second by Trustee Cardenas.

**Discussion**

There was no discussion on the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as:

AYES:	Cardenas, Galindo, Wong
NAYES:	Acuña, Ramirez, Long
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	Medina

With a tied vote, the NAYES have the vote and the resolution to approve is denied therefore the resolution will state: Deny adding an IVC Foundation Member to the Presidential Search Committee.

**Resolution**

WHEREAS, the Trustees have given direction to form a Presidential Search Committee comprised of:

- 2 administrators
- 2 faculty members
- 1 CSEA representative
- 1 CMCA representative
- 1 ASG representative
- 2 community members and 1 alternate;

WHEREAS, the Imperial Valley College Foundation President, through a letter, has expressed interest in having a Foundation Member serve on the Presidential Search Committee;

WHEREAS, the Trustees received public comment from a representative of the Imperial Valley College Foundation at their regular Board meeting on October 10, 2007;

WHEREAS, the Trustees agreed to hold a special meeting to determine whether an additional community member is necessary;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Imperial Community College District Board of Trustees denies a tenth community member from the IVC Foundation to serve on the Presidential Search Committee.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**M/S/C Cardenas/Acuña to go into CLOSED SESSION at 4:13 p.m.**

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: Old Sears building, Parcel # 064-470-029  
Agency Negotiator: Efrain Silva, Kathy Berry, Gary Rodgers  
Negotiating Parties: Peter Ruiz of The Legaspi Group  
Negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of sale or lease

Property: Masonic Temple, Parcel # 053-112-028  
Agency Negotiator: Efrain Silva, Kathy Berry, Gary Rodgers  
Negotiating Parties: Kent Hems  
Negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of sale or lease

Property: 4th and Wake Parcel # 053-740-041  
Agency Negotiator: Efrain Silva, Kathy Berry, Gary Rodgers  
Negotiating Parties: Pat Seay  
Negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of sale or lease

**OPEN SESSION**

**M/S/C Cardenas/Acuña to go into OPEN SESSION at 4:50 p.m.**

Clerk of the Board Ramirez reconvened the meeting and stated that the following action was taken:

1. Information was received and discussion took place. No action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

M/S/C Acuña/Wong to ADJOURN the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Imperial Community College District Board of Trustees is scheduled for **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2007, AT 6 P.M.** in the Administration Building Board Room.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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ICCD Board President

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ICCD Board Secretary