



"The City With a Heart"

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CITY COUNCIL and SAN MATEO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING

MINUTES

July 9, 2014

6:00 p.m.

**Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo County
Community College District and the San Bruno City Council
July 9, 2014, San Bruno, CA**

Meeting location: Building 6 at Skyline College, 3300 College Dr., San Bruno, CA

The minutes were taken by Board Secretary Ginny Brooks

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Board Members Present: President Karen Schwarz, Vice President Patricia Miljanich,
Trustees Richard Holober, Dave Mandelkern and Tom Mohr,
Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa

City Council Members Present: Mayor Jim Ruane, Vice Mayor Rico E. Medina,
Councilmembers Irene O'Connell and Michael Salazar

Pledge of Allegiance:

INTRODUCTIONS

President Schwarz welcomed the San Bruno City Council and other guests. She said it is a wonderful experience for the Board to travel to sites other than the District Office for meetings. She said the Board appreciates the hospitality extended by Skyline College.

President Schwarz introduced Skyline College President Regina Stanback Stroud who hosted the meeting, Chancellor Ron Galatolo, Deputy Chancellor Jim Keller, Executive Vice Chancellor Kathy Blackwood, Cañada College President Larry Buckley, and College of San Mateo President Mike Claire.

Mayor Ruane introduced Connie Jackson, City Manager; Tami Yuki, Assistant City Manager; Neil Telford, Chief of Police; David Woltering, Community Development Director; and Joseph Cervantes, Associate Engineer with the Public Services Department.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SKYLINE COLLEGE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Mayor Ruane read the following proclamation:

The City Council of the City of San Bruno commends and honors Skyline College's outstanding design and construction program which adheres to principles of sustainable resource use and environmental sensitivity in the construction of the Multicultural Center, Cosmetology and Administration Building, which achieved LEED Silver Certification, and the Facilities Maintenance Center, which achieved LEED Gold Certification.

Mayor Ruane presented to the proclamation to President Schwarz, who in turn presented it to President Stanback Stroud.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL AND BOARD MEMBERS

None

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

TOUR OF CAMPUS WITH STOPS AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND SPARKPOINT CENTER

Cherie Colin, Director of Marketing, Communications and Public Relations, led the tour. The first stop was at the Solar & Building Science Learning Center, a custom-built facility designed to provide hands-on technical training for Solar Technology and Building Science. Instructor Bruce Greenstein showcased the Residential House Model which features all of the basic elements of a home and is used to teach students best practices for assessing and retrofitting buildings.

Ms. Colin next led the group to the SparkPoint Center where William Watson, Director of the Center, explained that SparkPoint is a financial education coaching service utilized by students and other members of the community to achieve financial stability. Among the services offered are individual financial coaching, a food pantry, free income tax preparation, access to banking services, assistance with public benefits enrollment, a career services center, the Grove Scholars program, and an English language institute.

REPORT ON SAN BRUNO'S INITIATIVES INCLUDING THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND TRANSIT CORRIDOR

Mayor Ruane said President Stanback Stroud was recently appointed to serve as a member of the San Bruno Community Foundation Board of Directors. The Foundation will be responsible for managing the distribution of the \$70 million restitution fund that the City negotiated from PG&E in the aftermath of the devastating September 2010 gas line explosion and fire. Mayor Ruane said the Foundation is pleased to have the benefit of President Stanback Stroud's expertise and her engagement in the community which will strengthen the partnership between the College and the City.

Mayor Ruane said 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of San Bruno's incorporation. Among celebratory events will be a Centennial Gala dinner-dance on December 6 at Skyline College and a Community Day in the Park on September 26 in City Park.

Mayor Ruane asked Mr. Woltering to present a report on the initiative for transformation and revitalization of the downtown and transit corridors in San Bruno. Mr. Woltering said that in February 2013, the City of San Bruno adopted the San Bruno Transit Corridors Plan for transforming approximately 155 acres of the downtown area. He said Ordinance 1284, adopted in 1977, put in place constraints having to do with building heights, residential density and banning of above-ground parking structures; this has caused some developers to turn away from development of the area. The San Bruno City Council will soon consider placing a ballot measure before voters this November which would, within certain areas of the 155-acre transit corridor, allow building heights to be increased, allow for increased residential densities, and allow above-ground parking. Mr. Woltering said mixed-use development would bring people, activity and jobs to the area. He displayed poster boards showing the area as it currently exists and what it could look like upon full implementation of the Transit Corridors Plan.

DISCUSSION OF NEW PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AT SKYLINE COLLEGE

President Stanback Stroud provided brief descriptions of the following programs and services offered at Skyline College: Center for Legal Studies; Bay Area Entrepreneur Center; Energy System Technology Management; Center for Innovative Practices Through Hip Hop Education and Research; College Lecture Series; Education Abroad – “Passport to the World”; and the Youth Entrepreneurship Program's Global and Social Entrepreneurship Project.

DISCUSSION OF FUTURE CAMPUS BUILDING PLAN

Chancellor Galatolo provided a brief history of the founding of Skyline College in the late 1960s and subsequent expansion of the College. He discussed the history of Parcels A and B. Parcel A was vacant land owned by the District and was exchanged for land that was considered a more strategic location for the District; this land formerly housed the Pacific Heights and Loma Chica schools.

Chancellor Galatolo discussed construction projects that have been completed over the years at Skyline College and displayed aerial views of the campus as it currently exists. He also discussed and showed views of proposed building plans at the College, which include:

- Environmental Science Building, a new building on the west portion of the campus
- Demolition of Building 1 and construction of new Social Studies/Creative Arts Building
- Demolition of Pacific Heights, to become a parking area to meet demand
- A Kinesiology and Wellness Building; this will be a very expensive project and is envisioned to be undertaken well into the future
- A housing development, including faculty and staff housing, on Parcel B

“THE LAST MILE” TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE AND NEXT STEPS

President Stanback Stroud said the Transportation Initiative is a project of the Skyline College President's Council, which provides support and advice to the President and helps raise financial support. She said that the Council planned and held a Success Summit in September 2013, at which “Transportation – The Last Mile” was a theme. Attendees of the Summit voted to focus attention on this issue.

Cindy Abbott, a member of the President's Council, said Skyline College is more than a mile from key transit hubs. BART stations are four to seven miles away and there is limited bus service. People spend 45 minutes to more than one hour to get from a BART station to campus. The objective of the Transportation Initiative is to identify and create sustainable opportunities for students, faculty and staff to conveniently and economically travel from public transit stations, or other locations, to the campus. Strategic connections were made with regional transit organizations, campus groups, and City of San Bruno staff. The Initiative aligns with both the Skyline College Sustainability Plan and the City of San Bruno Climate Action Plan, as both address transportation issues.

Ms. Abbott said surveys of faculty, staff and students were conducted. Data was collected on the times of arrivals and departures to and from the College; commute starting points; commute modes; and commute considerations, e.g. reliability, cost, travel time, etc. She said that with the data collection completed, the next steps will be:

- Continue to expand strategic connections to explore carpool/vanpool services, opportunities for flex peak time bus routes, and shuttles
- Outreach to other institutions of higher learning for their "lessons learned"
- Commuter benefits program/incentives
- Report/prioritize recommendations to move forward
- Publicize alternatives and benefits

In response to a question from Councilmember O'Connell, President Stanback Stroud said the number of students coming to Skyline College from San Francisco has been consistent for many years.

Presidents Schwarz said there were several interesting discussions at the meeting tonight. She asked if there were any questions or comments before adjourning the meeting.

Trustee Mohr said the relationship between the City of San Bruno and Skyline College is gratifying and productive. He said many people in the community admire the City Council for the work they did on behalf of the people in the face of the gas line explosion tragedy. Trustee Holober said he followed the explosion and its aftermath closely and he congratulated the Council on their advocacy on behalf of the residents who were affected.

Regarding transportation, Trustee Holober said the student survey was conducted with those who have already figured out a way to get to the campus and improving transit options for these students would be valuable. He said the missing component is how many potential students were not surveyed because it is simply too difficult to get to the College. He said he hopes the results of the Initiative will help open doors to more students.

Mayor Ruane thanked the Board and Skyline College for hosting the meeting. He said it is a pleasure for the City Council to periodically have a change of venue. He thanked Trustees Mohr and Holober for their earlier comments. Mayor Ruane said the City of San Bruno is willing to help with the issue of transportation so that students can conveniently get to Skyline College to continue their education.

Vice Mayor Medina said that when the neighborhood was devastated after the gas line explosion and fire, Skyline College opened its doors to residents and relief organizations. He said the College also opened its doors for the first anniversary of the explosion. He said he appreciates the partnership between the City of San Bruno and Skyline College and hopes they will continue to meet periodically.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

President Schwarz thanked the San Bruno City Council for traveling to Skyline College for the joint meeting and thanked President Stanback Stroud and Skyline College staff for hosting the meeting. She said the meeting will be adjourned in memory of Ira Ruskin, former State Assembly Member and Redwood City Mayor, who passed away on July 3. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted for approval
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Carol Bonner, City Clerk



Jim Ruane, Mayor