

Governing Board Meeting of September 11, 2024

The Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) Governing Board conducted a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, beginning at 5:00 p.m., followed by closed session, and continuation of public session at 6:00 p.m.

Highlights are listed below.

Special Report – 2023-24 4CD Workforce Diversity

Presented annually since 2016, information was shared regarding 4CD's workforce diversity for 2023-24. It was noted 4CD continues to make strides in hiring and retaining a more diverse employee group. In 2023-24, diversity training became more interactive. 17 project proposals were made possible through funding from Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Best Practices for EEO and diversity. Several projects are slated for 2024-25, including a study of classification specifications and hiring processes as well as a climate survey.

Purchasing Agreements

The Governing Board approved various new agreements, including:

- comprehensive services for eligible children and their families with childcare and other support at Contra Costa College (CCC); and
- refrigerated food lockers to serve food-insecure students at Los Medanos College (LMC).

College Midterm Accreditation Reports

The Governing Board approved midterm accreditation reports for CCC, Diablo Valley College (DVC) and LMC. These reports contained information on improvements and innovations since their peer reviews were held in November 2020.

2024-25 Adoption Budget

Approval was given to the 2024-25 Adoption Budget, totaling \$960,878,386. An overview of the state-enacted budget was also presented.

National Hispanic Heritage Month

Celebrated annually from September 15 to October 15, the theme of National Hispanic Heritage Month for 2024 is "Pioneers of Change: Shaping Our Future Together." In honor of those who paved the way as pioneers of change, the Governing Board approved this Resolution and honored John E. Márquez, Genoveva Calloway, Maria Viramontes and Al Zuniga for their efforts in the establishment of La Raza studies at CCC, along with the establishment of Ethnic Studies throughout 4CD.

Proposition 2 Resolution, Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities, Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024 Demonstrating its support of Proposition 2, the Governing Board approved this Resolution. If Proposition 2 passes on the ballot in November, it will leverage local funding to maximize the facilities that can be constructed with limited funds. 4CD currently has \$1.3 billion in prioritized facility needs which may be partially funded by State matching funds.

Facilities Planning ad hoc Committee

The Governing Board selected Rebecca Barrett and John E. Márquez to serve on this ad hoc Committee. Their focus will include studying the infrastructure needs of the colleges in order to better serve students.

Adjournment

In addition to holding a moment of silence in remembrance of September 11, 2001, the Governing Board adjourned the meeting in memory of the following DVC retirees: Physical Education professors Jim Costa and James Swan, Life Sciences Secretary Jeanette (Jinx) Justice Abbott and Counselor Steve Padover.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.