



Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Board of Directors Meeting

4:45-6:30 p.m.

KCI 4006

Board Present: Advani, Andersen, Aoki, Ahrens, Banerjee, Krause, Landsberger, Manwani, Mahoney, Murphy, Nguyen, Sathaye, Swift, Wong

Board Absent: Davis, Elliott, Levy, Miner, Smith, Tankha

Staff Present: Chandler, Cima, Latta, West, and Woodworth

Guests: Kevin McElroy – Vice Chancellor of Business Services, Becky Bartindale – District Communications Coordinator, Marisa Spatafore – Associate VP of Communications and External Relations, Cleve Freeman – Director of the Foothill Transfer Center, Foothill students Samantha, Missy and Dustin, and Anthony and De Anza student Suleima.

Minutes

Foothill Transfer Center – Cleve Freeman

- Foothill Transfer Center has counselors whose goal is to help students navigate the transfer process.
- The Center facilitates university representatives coming to the campus and speaking with current students and answering their questions; puts on transfer workshops to help students navigate the process and holds an annual dinner to recognize and celebrate the students who are transferring.
- Foothill students Missy, Dustin, and Samantha shared their experience with the Transfer Center. Samantha will be transferring to Arizona State University and said that both the Transfer Center and the Disability Resource Center helped her succeed. Missy, a former foster youth, will be transferring to UC Santa Cruz and said Foothill helped her focus and gave her the opportunity to succeed. Dustin wasn't sure what his path was going to be, but joined Puente and because of that, was exposed to the Transfer Center as a resource. Now he's waiting to hear back from UCLA. Anthony served in the military before coming to Foothill and currently is applying to the occupational therapy program at San Jose State.

De Anza Transfer Center/De Anza Presidents Report – President Murphy

- President Murphy stated that role of the transfer center at De Anza is identical to Foothill.
- Highlights about transfer at De Anza – the college ranks 2nd or 3rd in the state in transfer rates to UC's and CSU's.
- Students can take advantage of the various agreements with universities, creating pathways for students to transfer, either through transfer guarantees or transfer admissions plans and include campuses such as UC Santa Cruz and UC Irvine.

- President Murphy highlighted a change recently made by the UC Board of Regents that made lower division requirements for transfer the same for all the University of California campuses, which simplifies the transfer process.
- De Anza student Suleima spoke about her personal experience at De Anza. Suleima grew up in an undocumented family and wasn't sure if she was going to pursue higher education. She chose to attend De Anza and ended up meeting professors that became her mentors. She'll be transferring to UC Santa Cruz to study community studies.
- President Murphy confirmed that the equity agenda on the campus is still strong and that Anita Hill, a former Brandeis faculty member and social justice advocate would be speaking at De Anza.

Approval of Minutes

- January minutes approved with edits: the addition of Wong as present, and the removal of Manwani as present, plus a grammatical correction.
- Manwani motion, Mahoney 2nd

President's Report Foothill – Nguyen

- President Nguyen thanked the board for their continuing support of the college, and stated that discretionary funds are helpful for creating teaching moments.
- President Nguyen said that her focus has been on service leadership. The projects on the Foothill campus focused on service leadership include:
 - Foothill Library presentation on fake news
 - Panels from students and faculty about climate change
 - Sending Foothill students & faculty to the Science March in Washington D.C.

Finance Report – Swift

- Swift reported that the Foundation's investments were up 3.9% for the calendar year; 8% for the fiscal year and our assets are nearly \$40 million.
- The Audit is complete and the Foundation's tax returns will be filed shortly.
- Foundation's fundraising goals are on target and we are expected to meet our \$4.5 million dollar goal.

Foundation Staff Report

- Chandler reminded board members of the retreat scheduled for April 25th at the Woman's Club in Palo Alto.
- Chandler advised that the Foundation board meeting on May 24th will be held at the Kirsch Center at De Anza College, and that at the meeting on July 26th a new slate of officers will be approved.
- 15 students will be sent to the Turkana Basin in Kenya this year with professor Isaiah Nengo.
- Woodworth reported that the Los Altos Rotary raised \$47,000 for veterans' scholarships and textbook vouchers, and the Foothill Commission raised \$12,500 dollars with the Winter Musical for the Theatre.

- Cima mentioned that a search for speakers for a potential VIDA event in May.

*Meeting adjourned 6:20 p.m.
Next meeting May 24th*