



Wednesday, March 25, 2015

Board of Directors Meeting
4:45 – 6:30 pm
Krause Center for Innovation, Foothill College

Board Present: Advani, Andersen, Aoki, Barram, Elliott, Krause, Landsberger, Manwani, Mahoney, Santora.

Foundation Staff Present: Chandler, West, and Woodworth

Guests: Marisa Spatafore - Associate VP, Communications and External Relations De Anza College; Kimberlee Messina - Acting President, Foothill College; Kevin McElroy - Vice Chancellor, Business Services; Veronica Neal – Director, Office of Equity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Education, Maureen McNicols, Community Member.

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Introductions: Santora

Santora introduced the new Executive Director of the Foundation, Tess Chandler.

Welcome: Chandler

Chandler gave a short biography and short summary of her first week on the job.

Discussion on Student Equity: Dr. Veronica Neal

- Equity = Fairness; access to same opportunities. We must first ensure equity before we can enjoy equality.
- Students need to be valued, connected, engaged, nurtured and focused for success to happen.
- Equity within the institution – making sure that the culture, leadership and practice are in place.
- Recognizing that educational institutions were not historically designed to support equity of students.

Finance Report: McElroy

- As of April, the Foundation has raised \$3.1M.
- The Finance Committee is working with staff on preliminary FY16 budget.

Directors Report: Chandler

- FHDA Foundation Facebook is at 639 likes and most viewed are the posts with images

- The email newsletter will go out on March 30th, featuring Foothill Science Learning Institute faculty member, Dr. Oxana Pantchenko and De Anza's Dean of EOPS, Michele Lebleu-Burns.
- Foothill Commission Winter Musical raised nearly \$15,000 for theatre and gained some new patrons.
- Los Altos Rotary raised more than \$25,000 for Foothill Veterans at their recent Cioppino feed.
- De Anza fundraiser position's hiring committee includes – Tess Chandler, Laura Woodworth, Robin Lyssenko, Marisa Spatafore, VP of the Office of Communications; Michael Heggund, Dean of Community Education at De Anza; and Bob Stockwell, De Anza Political Science Faculty.
- ICCE (Institute for Community and Civic Engagement) will be renamed VIDA (Vasconcellos Institute for Democracy in Action) with a renaming ceremony on June 10th.
- The Environmental Horticulture and Design Program received a Silicon Valley Water Conservation Award in honor of World Water Day. The Environmental Horticulture division has developed several water conservation projects with the help of generous support from Kathleen and Mark Santora and the Schmidt Family Foundation's 11th Hour Project, including the installation of large tanks holding a total of 2,340 gallons that captures the discharge from the air conditioning towers that is then used to help irrigate the campus.
- There will be a Foundation Board retreat on May 27th from 3pm to 7pm will in the Toyon Room.

Chancellors Search Report: Barram

- Chancellors search is extremely confidential.
- Pam Fisher, the Chancellors Search Consultant, feels good about all who have expressed interest
- Finalists will be interviewed in an open forum on June 9, 10, and 11.

Meeting Adjourned 6:30