

PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING/STUDY SESSION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday, June 24, 2014
5:00 p.m.
One College Drive, Blythe, CA – CL 101

Meeting 14-09

MINUTES

I. OPENING OF MEETING

1. Call to Order

The Special Meeting/Study Session of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Ms. Rodriguez, President of the Board, at 4:54 p.m.

2. Flag Salute

The Salute to the American Flag was led by Mr. Gonzales, Trustee.

3. Roll Call

Trustees Present:

Millie Rodriguez, President
George Thomas, Vice President
Ned Hyduke, Clerk of the Board
Ted Arneson, Trustee
Lincoln Edmond, Trustee
Ed Gonzales, Trustee
Jerry Lewis, Trustee

Administrators Present:

Donald G. Wallace, Superintendent/President
Russi Egan, Chief Business Office

Absent:

Alex Munoz, Student Trustee
Sharon Jones, Interim Vice President of Instructional
and Student Services

Recorder:

Denise Hunt, Administrative Assistant to
Superintendent/President

Visitors:

On file in the Superintendent/President's Office

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting/Study Session of May 27, 2014.

It was moved by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Gonzales, and unanimously carried, that the Minutes of Special Meeting/Study Session of May 27, 2014 be approved.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 10, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Arneson, seconded by Mr. Hyduke, and unanimously carried, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 10, 2014 be approved.

(These minutes are a concise summary of reports, discussion and actions taken at this meeting. For detailed comments and discussion, a tape is available to the public for 30 days after the date of this meeting.)

I. OPENING OF MEETING (continued)

6. Approval of the Agenda for this meeting.
Ms. Rodriguez, President of the Board, requested to amend Resolution 14-09 C-50 – FACULTY TENURE STATUS (JONES). The final year of probation should be 2012/2013, effective date is July 1, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Gonzales, seconded by Mr. Huduke, and unanimously carried, that the Agenda be approved as amended.

II. HEARING OF CITIZENS (AGENDA ITEMS)

Members of the public have this opportunity to directly address the Board on agenda items, subject to a five (5) minute time limitation per individual. Pursuant to the Brown Act Government Code Section 54954.2(a): "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3."

Mr. Biju Raman, President of Academic Senate, spoke regarding Resolution 14-09 C-50 - FACULTY TENURE STATUS (JONES). Mr. Raman presented a PowerPoint and stated he wanted to convey the unanimous voice of the faculty to the Board of Trustees, as expressed in a special meeting of Academic Senate on May 28, 2014, regarding tenure for Ms. Sheri Jones. The unanimous voice of Academic Senate is asking that Ms. Jones complete her 4th year as a faculty member, and be evaluated as a faculty member completing the evaluation process in order to receive tenure status.

Discussion occurred. Dr. Wallace stated that legal counsel from the law firms of LCW, Spencer Covert, and AALRR has been sought. The three law firms all agree that Ms. Jones has already achieved tenure status and recommended approval.

III. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECUSAL FROM AGENDA ITEMS

The Superintendent/President respectfully asks if any of the Governing Board members need to recuse themselves from any item where there might be a potential conflict of interest.

None.

IV. STUDY SESSION

1. General Obligation Bond Survey Results – Ann Nock, AMN Solutions.

Ms. Ann Nock, AMN Solutions, provided the results of the Bond Survey that was conducted by telephone of the stratified random sampling of registered voters within the community. It was stratified by demographics in terms of voter registration in Needles and Blythe. The demographics included the propensity to vote, age and gender.

The survey was done to test support of the bond. Most people in the community accepted the survey, which lasted about 12 minutes. An explanation of the results of each survey question was given. According to the survey, 51% stated they would support the bond, and another 25% stated "probably yes" in support of the bond.

Tax tolerance was tested. The survey indicated that 67% of the people stated they would support a tax of \$20-\$25 per \$100,000 of assessed property value, and 76% stated they would support a tax of \$15-\$20 per \$100,000 of assessed property value.

IV. STUDY SESSION (continued)

The issues that most of the community members are concerned about are affordable education, transfer to a 4-year college, and that the bond money stay local and not be taken by the State.

At the beginning of the survey 76% of the citizens stated they would support the bond. At the end of the survey, 80% of the citizens surveyed stated they would support the bond. Ms. Nock stated that based on these results there is enough support to pass a bond, but the question is whether these people would get out and vote. Ms. Nock stated that November 2014 would be an excellent opportunity for Palo Verde College to pursue a General Obligation Bond. A majority of the voters polled believe the college is going in the right direction. Community members also support the college's initiatives, goals and objections, which is very important.

A question and answer period took place, and Ms. Nock provided clarification for the Governing Board.

Dr. Wallace provided a draft resolution, "Ordering an Election, and Establishing Specifications of the Election Order", to the Governing Board. If the Board decides to move forward with a ballot measure, then a special board meeting would need to take place on July 8, 2014 to approve the resolution. The Registrar of Voters deadline for ballot measures in August 8, 2014. Dr. Wallace stated the attorney is available by conference call should anyone have questions.

Dr. Wallace and the Governing Board thanked Ms. Nock for her presentation.

V. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

(All consent resolutions will be voted on in one motion with 15 minutes allocated for questions by Board members. After the question period, any Board member may request that any item(s) be moved to the Action Agenda.)

C. PERSONNEL

Resolution 14-09 C-47 – RESIGNATION OF MUSIC INSTRUCTOR (TRIBELHORN)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent/President has accepted, and Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves, a resignation e-mail notice dated June 5, 2014, from John Tribelhorn, Music Instructor, effective June 30, 2014.

Resolution 14-09 C-48 – REVISED SALARY PLACEMENT (ATITYOTA)

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves the revised placement for temporary employment of Ejovboke David Atiyota as Interim Institutional Transition Program Facilitator, a faculty position, at a revised salary placement on the 212 day faculty salary schedule from Row 3, Column II to Row 3, Column III, with benefits, due to verification of educational qualifications, effective May 27, 2014.

Resolution 14-09 C-49 - REVISED SALARY PLACEMENT (COPPLE)

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves the revised placement for temporary employment of Ryan Copple as Interim Institutional Transition Program Facilitator, a faculty position, at a revised salary placement on the 212 day faculty salary schedule from Row 3, Column I to Row 4, Column I, with benefits, due to verification of previous employment, effective May 27, 2014.

V. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS (continued)

D. MISCELLANEOUS

Resolution 14-09 D-19 – ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER FROM PALO VERDE COLLEGE FOUNDATION (3 VEHICLES)

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees accepts the transfer from Palo Verde College Foundation of a 2003 Ford F250 Truck, a 1997 Ford Taurus, and a 1997 Lincoln Town Car; to be used for the Automotive Technology Program.

(Blanket Motion)

It was moved by Mr. Arneson, and seconded by Dr. Wallace, that Consent Resolutions be approved.

Discussion occurred regarding Resolution 14-09 C-47, and Dr. Wallace provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

VI. ACTION ITEMS

B. BUSINESS

Resolution 14-09 B-26 – AGREEMENT FOR SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE PROJECTS (LEE)

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees ratifies the agreement with Shad Lee for scheduled maintenance projects as required by the State Chancellor's Office Five-Year Construction Plan, and due by June 30, 2014, for a fee of \$5,000.00. Scope of work and project priorities are shown in Reference B-26.

It was moved by Mr. Edmond, and seconded by Mr. Arneson, that Resolution 14-09 B-26 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Ms. Egan provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Resolution 14-09 B-27 – AGREEMENT WITH FIELDMAN, ROLAPP & ASSOCIATES, FINANCIAL ADVISORS

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves the Agreement with Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, to provide financial advisory services for the purpose of financial planning and monitoring of the COP (Certificate of Participation) market. Term of Agreement, compensation, and contract shown as Reference B-27.

It was moved by Dr. Thomas, and seconded by Mr. Edmond, that Resolution 14-09 B-27 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Dr. Wallace and Ms. Egan provided clarification.

VI. ACTION ITEMS (continued)

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Motion carried; Aye 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

Resolution 14-09 B-28 – ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FOR LED LIGHTING CONVERSION

WHEREAS, the Palo Verde Community College District authorized the issuance of a Request for Proposal for LED Lighting Conversion (outdoors);

WHEREAS the RFP resulted in Sun Industries proposal(s) being received prior to Monday, June 23, 2014 deadline; and

WHEREAS, Sun Industries proposal was accepted in the amount of \$101,919.69.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District requests to accept the proposal from Sun Industries in the amount of \$101,919.69, with work to begin immediately upon issuance of performance bond and liability insurance. Work must be completed by July 31, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Gonzales, and seconded by Dr. Thomas, that Resolution 14-09 B-28 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Ms. Egan provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Motion carried; Aye 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

Resolution 14-09 B-29 – AGREEMENT WITH INDUSTRIAL EMERGENCY COUNCIL FOR FIRE SCIENCE COURSES

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves the Agreement between Palo Verde Community College District (PVCCD) and Industrial Emergency Council (IEC), for vocational training services as they relate to affiliated Fire Science courses. Term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2014, and shall be reviewed annually by June 30 of each year. Contract shown as Reference B-29.

It was moved by Mr. Gonzales, and seconded by Mr. Edmond, that Resolution 14-09 B-29 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Dr. Wallace provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Motion carried; Aye 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

VI. ACTION ITEMS (continued)

C. PERSONNEL

Resolution 14-09 C-50 – FACULTY TENURE STATUS (JONES)

BE IT RESOLVED that the following academic employee has completed their fourth and final year of probation (2013/2014), and be granted tenure status effective July 1, 2014. (Tenure to begin at the beginning of the 5th Year of Service).

Jones, Sharon - Psychology/Addiction Studies Instructor

It was moved by Mr. Lewis, and seconded by Mr. Gonzales, that Resolution 14-09 C-50 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Dr. Wallace provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Motion carried; Aye 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

D. MISCELLANEOUS

Resolution 14-09 D-20 – ACCEPTANCE OF FIVE-YEAR CONSTRUCTION PLAN 2016-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees approves the Five-Year Construction Plan for submission to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office *(shown loose in Board folders)*.

It was moved by Mr. Edmond, and seconded by Dr. Thomas, that Resolution 14-09 D-20 be approved.

Discussion occurred, and Ms. Egan provided clarification.

Student Advisory	<u>Absent</u>	Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>	Rodriguez	<u>Yes</u>
Arneson	<u>Yes</u>	Hyduke	<u>Yes</u>	Thomas	<u>Yes</u>
Edmond	<u>Yes</u>	Lewis	<u>Yes</u>		

Motion carried; Aye 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

VII. HEARING OF CITIZENS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Members of the public have this opportunity to directly address the Governing Board on items of interest to the public, subject to a five (5) minute time limitation per individual.

No comments.

VIII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Rodriguez, President of the Board, announced that Closed Session has been ***canceled***. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

1. ~~Public Employee/Discipline/Dismissal/Release pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.~~
2. ~~Existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) Gilmore v. PVCCD.~~

**Minutes approved at the August 10, 2014
Regular Meeting**

Donald G. Wallace, Secretary of the Board