

**SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE  
COLLEGE PLANNING COUNCIL**

April 17, 2007

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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**MINUTES**

PRESENT: J. Romo, J. Friedlander, P. Bishop, P. Buckelew, S. Ehrlich, J. Sullivan, B. Partee, I. Alarcon, S. Broderick, K. Molloy, G. Thielst, L. Auchincloss, M. Guillen, C. Ramirez, and E. Borlaug

EXCUSED ABSENCE: T. Garey, D. Cooper

GUEST: Judy Meyer for Tom Garey

**1.0 Call to Order**

1.1 Approval of the minutes of the March 20th CPC meeting.

**M/S/C [Guillen/Molloy] unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Judy Meyer abstained.**

**2.0 Announcements**

2.1 Banner Implementation

Jack Friedlander said that yesterday was a historic moment for the college as the Banner online registration system went “live”, registering an initial 166 students. Dr. Friedlander expressed his appreciation for the work Dan Watkins has done in his overall coordination and leadership role as well as the many people who participated in the success of this implementation.

2.2 Update on faculty hiring

Dr. Friedlander said we are hiring excellent people to join the college’s faculty. The process for selecting all of the new faculty should be completed by mid-May.

**3.0 Information Items**

3.1 Report on Transportation Demand Management Plan and outcomes of the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting with the Coastal Commission to gain its approval of the SoMA Building

President John Romo announced that the California Coastal Commission has given approval to proceed with the construction of the School of Media Arts building. That approval was given with 15 policy/requirements and over 30 modifications to what was

originally submitted. In taking that action, the first step at the meeting was to reaffirm the 1999 action which rejected our long-range development plan which included SoMA, the Physical Science renovation projects, the parking structure and two new classroom buildings. President Romo said he was successful in separating the SoMA Bldg. from the other projects that have been rejected. Instead of a parking structure, the Coast Commission asked that we find alternatives to having students and staff drive to the campus. The Commission required that we expand our engagement with MTD for students and staff and a dictate to expand car-pooling. President Romo acknowledged Joe Sullivan for the outstanding work he did in preparing for the presentation to the Coastal Commission.

John Romo reported that the Coastal Commission implied that any project that goes forward that has parking included is going to have some problems in gaining its approval. In summary, the Coastal Commission has articulated to the college that it does not want to see growth on this campus. By reaffirmation of its denial of two additional classroom buildings and the parking structure, there is no support for additional growth on this campus. President Romo said we should look for expansion of our enrollment through current mitigations that we have in place as online classes, dual enrollment and the Professional Development Center as well as the expansion of offerings on sites other than the Mesa campus. As far as this campus is concerned, building for growth will not receive support from this Coastal Commission. Building for renovation, to replace temporary structures and that type of building that is not tied to growth would have to still go through reviews. It is highly unlikely that we will be able to build a parking structure under this Coastal Commission. President Romo said that we are going to proceed with the traffic study to more carefully evaluate traffic congestion and parking pressures. This will serve as a substantive basis for future discussions with the City and the Coastal Commission about projects in the future. He said that any consideration of new structures to address parking would have to be done in conjunction with the City and that the Coastal Commission would expect City concurrence with any of our proposals for parking.

President Romo said the SoMA Building was included in the last state bond for approximately \$32m. The latest cost estimate is \$60m which includes estimates for inflation and equipment. He has asked the architect to work with Joe Sullivan to value engineer the building to reduce the cost to \$45m - \$50m. He will be negotiating with the state for more flexibility in reconfiguring the structure to allow us to build a more modest structure because of the escalating costs of the construction. The Foundation is carrying out a feasibility study of raising \$10 - \$15m for SoMA. He feels at some point he will have to make a recommendation that the Board commit additional general funds to complete this building. There has not been any recommendation or any decision about the use of funds reserved for a parking structure to be used toward the construction of the SoMA Bldg. or any other project.

### 3.2 Draft of revised Foundation priorities

Foundation priorities will be provided at the next CPC meeting.

Kathy Molloy reported on feedback from the Planning & Resource Committee (P&R). The Committee wishes to relay to President John Romo and to the Foundation that faculty see a pressing priority in the timely completion of the Drama/Music Building renovation. As reflected in P&R's Fall 2006 Long Range Capital Construction Projects Report, faculty would like to see all phases of renovation work finished expeditiously as such construction requires the complete shutting down, and thus a profound disruption, of essential Drama/Music programs. Because of Drama/Music's unique and extensive programs with outreach throughout the greater Santa Barbara community, the Committee asked to consider creating a Drama/Music renovation capital campaign in addition to the campaign currently underway for SoMA. Kathy Molloy indicated that this concern has also been communicated to John Romo.

### 3.3 Policies and Procedures for Handling Complaints of Unlawful Discrimination BP 3430

Sue Ehrlich presented the policy and procedure for bringing complaints for unlawful discrimination. It has been through the consultation process with the Academic Senate, with the Student Senate and with CSEA and will be going forward to the Board Policy Committee. She commented that she has consulted with outside counsel about the text of the document and will recommend a modification when it goes to the Board that the word "Unlawful" be deleted from the title so there is no implication that matters are "unlawful" that might be investigated under this authority. She said the goal is to deal with issues before they get to that level.

## 4.0 Discussion Items

### 4.1 Deferred maintenance items

Joe Sullivan presented the list of health and safety projects which are of an immediate priority along with other prioritized projects designated as "1", "2" or "3". He indicated there will be a further opportunity for input on this list. In terms of overall funding, Mr. Sullivan said that at present we are not able to penetrate this list at all. He said there would be a request of the Board to provide funding for the health and safety items and for all of the priority "1" projects for the next budget year. Jack Friedlander said this is the Council's last chance to consider this list and is asking if any of the lower prioritized items need to be moved up higher on the list. Joe Sullivan said that at the next meeting he will bring a list of all the requests for funding that will be submitted to John Romo and then to the Board for funding.

## 5.0 Hearing Items

### 5.1 Critical need resource requests

John Romo commented that this Council, as well as EC, did an excellent job last year reviewing the resource rankings and compiling a list of ranked items that resulted from thoughtful presentation, discussion and debate. He felt the recommendations were

appropriate and fair in their consideration of the college as a whole although, unfortunately, we were unable to fund all of them. He said there is the possibility of some additional funding this year and for the 2007-08 budget now that there is a settlement of contracts with the employee groups. He feels the starting point in funding should be from the work that was done last year. President Romo said that in working with Jack Friedlander and EC, he felt it is appropriate and important to make a small consideration of emergency, health and safety, critical from a programmatic or operations perspective as well as year two partnership for Student Success funding. Any of those items should be held to the highest standard in terms of urgency. Once it is determined that any of those critical items should be given consideration, they should be considered for insertion in last year's ranked but unfunded proposals but not "re-ranking" the proposals from last year. He said there should be a deliberation of a crucial item that would rise to a higher level of more importance than something that is on the existing list. John Romo said that from the list that we were not able to fund, the area of the college that has suffered the most in terms of the reductions that we made during the budget crisis of 2002 and to which we have not committed additional resources at a level that we have liked to or are in our core support and operations area, should be given the highest consideration.

The proposals for the new critical resource requests were provided to the Council. Mr. Sullivan spoke to the critical need for having another custodian position due to the increased square footage of the college and the square footage presently assigned to each custodian to clean and maintain. He also spoke to the need for another groundskeeper. Joe Sullivan said we used to have eight groundskeepers and we now have six. Jack Friedlander inquired as to what point the Council can be provided with an estimate of what might be available to put forth to fund some if not all of the ranked items from last year and any from this year that fit the criteria requested. Joe Sullivan said at this point he is trying to quantify the impact of the negotiation settlement on the budget going forward. Once this process of determining salary schedules is completed and the information put into the budget, he hopes to have this information at the earliest by mid-May. He said he is hopeful that we will be able to fund all the items.

Jack Friedlander said for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of funding for the Partnership for Student Success [funded first year], he and Kathy Molly believe there is a very good chance that in there will be funding in the state budget process from funds that used to be Basic Skills funding that will now be folded in the base that can be used for this item. Based on this, it was decided not to request funding for Partnership for Student Success for year two unless the anticipated new state Basic Skills funds could not be used to support one or more of these items. Kathy Molloy said the Academic Senate made a resolution to approve the requests pending Basic Skills funding.

Jack Friedlander addressed the critical resource request for a full-time Athletic Trainer position. He said we currently have one full-time and two part-time athletic trainers. He said the staffing is very difficult to maintain at critical times with part-time staff because of the irregularity of the hours required to be present for athletic events. He said the Commission on Athletics has made the requirements more strict in terms of trainers

being available and in terms of their qualifications than we have in the past. There is also the expectation of a certain level of care for the athlete that is greater than what is has been in the past. The request is to convert the hourly positions and some other funds into a second full-time athletic trainer which would help address this health and safety need.

Dr. Friedlander also reminded the Council that from last year's ranked items, he funded the Dual Enrollment position out of his Ed Programs budget because it was so important to the college but with the caveat that at some point he would need the money back to meet other needs. He is proposing that the Council consider funding the Dual Enrollment position [for which he advanced funds] to enable him to use some of those dollars to fund the Athletic Trainer position so that it's not competing with the other needs. Mike Guillen said this position is long overdue and a crucial need for the PE/Athletic Department.

Jack Friedlander said the charge of the Council is to decide whether they want to insert any of the crucial resource proposals into the ranking of the items from last year. He said the Council will be provided with copies of the proposals of the unfunded ranked items from last year. Pablo Buckelew said the challenge will be to keep the present ranking of the items and then decide where to insert the crucial resource requests. This is exactly the process that was recommended by President Romo. Joe Sullivan said the first process is to agree that a crucial resource request should be on the list, and then where it should be inserted. Liz Auchincloss said that the Council's responsibility is to determine what is best for the college in the process of inserting the crucial items into the ranking from last year.

## **6.0 Other Items**

6.1 The next CPC meeting will be May 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **7.0 Adjournment**

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned.