

GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING NO. 15

March 19, 2024

Trustees Present:

Dr. Sevan Benlian
Yvette V. Davis
Dr. Armine Hacopian
Desirée P. Rabinov
Ann H. Ransford
Elin Gharibian, ST

Administrators Present:

Dr. Ryan Cornner
Dr. Brittany Grice
Amir Nour
Dr. Paul Schlossman

Representatives Present:

Academic Senate: Cameron Hastings
CSEA: Nonah Maffit
Guild: Richard Kamei

Absent:

Dr. Michael Ritterbrown

A copy of this meeting is on file in the Superintendent/President's Office and on the college's website at <http://www.glendale.edu/boardoftrustees>.

REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session was called to order by President Benlian at 5:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Leading the Pledge of Allegiance was Ania Konarki. She is a second-year student at GCC, and currently a psychology major with aspirations to become a psychologist. Konarki is a College Corps fellow who has completed the program and also an active member of Scholars, and ASGCC's Senator of Relations. Konarki has always been a positive influence in the organization and is there to lend a hand to anyone who needs it; ASGCC can count on her to be at every event. She's also works at the Student Center and every student she greets is treated with the most kindness and care. Konarki is also Elin Gharibian's best friend who has done so much for her through thick and thin and, as President, Gharibian would not be here today if it wasn't for Konarki's support.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE - BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No comments presented.

RESOLUTIONS - ACTION

3.1 Resolution No. 27-2023-2024: Supplemental Retirement Plan

It was moved (Davis) and seconded (Hacopian) to approve Resolution No. 27-2023-2024.

The motion passed unanimously.

3.2 Resolution No. 28-2023-2024: CSPP Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding Application

It was moved (Hacopian) and seconded (Gharibian) to approve Resolution No. 28-2023-2024.

The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS - NO ACTION

- 4.1 Enrollment Update
- 4.2 Measure GC Update
- 4.3 Guided Pathways Update

Informational Report items No. 4.1 – 4.3 were duly noted.

- 4.4 GCC Pulitzer Center Campus Consortium Fellow Presentation

Cornner introduced Professor of Journalism, Reut Cohen, who briefly summarized the Pulitzer Center Campus Consortium Fellow Program and introduced the 2023 representing student, Brittany Klintworth. She was provided the opportunity to travel to Italy to study the impact of “fast fashion” related to women working in the fashion industry. Through the program she researched the industry and challenges endured by women. Klintworth felt hopeful after visiting the company, Progetto Quid, to see their efforts to promote better working conditions for their employees and providing health benefits and vacation. The company also creates “slow, ethical” fashion and reduced textile waste by re-purposing older fabrics. Klintworth appreciated the opportunity and thanked Professors Cohen and Stonis, and the administration for their support during her journey in the program.

- 4.5 Connecting the Dots: GCDC’s Role in Protecting Local Wildlife Corridors

Cornner introduced Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy representative, Tim Martinez. He presented the conservancy’s focus to protect natural areas and wildlife living in the local hillsides. Martinez noted the 2 and 134 freeways cut-off wildlife corridors and suggested practices for GCC to consider to provide better access across Verdugo Road and the surrounding area. The Board appreciated the presentation but also understand student safety are a concern in relation to wildlife and the cost of updating various pathways may be expensive.

THIRD READING REPORT – THIRD OF THREE READINGS – ACTION

- 5.1 Board Policy 1200 – District Mission, Vision and Value Statement

It was moved (Ransford) and seconded (Davis) to approve Board Policy 1200.

The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS REPORT – SECOND READING – ACTION

- 6.1 Guild and District Openers for the Successor Agreement

It was moved (Hacopian) and seconded (Portillo Rabinov) to approve the Guild and District Openers for the Successor Agreement.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR – ACTION

- 7.1 Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting of February 20, 2024
- 7.2 Approval of Minutes – Special Board Meeting of January 26, 2024
- 7.3 Warrants - District Funds February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024
- 7.4 Contract Listing and Purchase Order Listing – February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024
- 7.5 Budget Revisions and Appropriation Transfers – General Fund Unrestricted (01)
- 7.6 Budget Revisions and Appropriation Transfers – General Fund Unrestricted (03)
- 7.7 Staffing Report No. 9 – Academic, Classified, Administrators, All Other Temporary Employee Actions and Student Employee Reports

CONSENT CALENDAR – ACTION - continued

It was moved (Ransford) and seconded (Gharibian) to approve Consent Calendar item Nos. 7.1 through 7.7.

The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS REPORTS – ACTION

8.1 2024 California Community College Trustees (CCCT) Board Election

It was moved (Portillo Rabinov) and seconded (Hacopian) to select the following as Trustees for the 2024 CCCT Board:

Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg, Kern CCD
Hortencia Armendariz, Imperial CCD
Barbara Calhoun, Compton CCD
Yvette Davis, Glendale CCD
Greg Pensa, Allan Hancock CCD
Bernardo Perez, Ventura County CCD
Deborah Ikeda, State Center CCD

The motion passed unanimously.

8.2 Change Order No. 022 – Owner Controlled Allowance – Buena Vista (BV) Building

It was moved (Ransford) and seconded (Gharibian) to approve Change Order No. 022 for the Buena Vista Building Project and that the contract price be amended to reflect an increase of \$262,788.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

8.3 Use of Construction Contingency Funds - Buena Vista (BV) Building - Construction Contingency and Defined Allowances

It was moved (Portillo Rabinov) and seconded (Gharibian) to approve use of Construction Contingency Funds for the Buena Vista Building Project resulting in a decrease of funds by \$10,080.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

8.4 Deductive Change Order No. 006 – Garfield Parking and Landscape Project

It was moved (Davis) and seconded (Hacopian) to approve Change Order No. 006 for the Garfield Parking and Landscape Project and that the contract price be amended to reflect a decrease of \$42,853.53.

The motion passed unanimously.

COLLEGE LEADERS REPORTS

Written reports were included in the meeting agenda materials with additional comments made at the meeting by College leaders concerning college and community related activities, events and issues of interest to the college.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

The Board inquired about televised access to view Athletics competitions. Currently, Huddle is the website used for access to Athletics events.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE - SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF BOARD ONLY

No comments presented.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session was called at 6:20 p.m. pursuant to Education Code 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release and Education Code Section 54957: Conference with Labor Negotiators.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 7:28 p.m.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

No action taken in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Board of Trustees President

Board of Trustees Clerk

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, March 19, 2024
Minutes recorded by Deb Kallas, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/President and the Board of Trustees.
Minutes approved at the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, April 16, 2024