

**VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
Board of Trustees**



Minutes for the Board of Trustees  
Special Meeting  
January 8, 2022

Respectfully submitted:

Greg Gillespie, Secretary, approved and ordered into proceedings of the District, Tuesday,  
February 15, 2022.

 \_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Dianne B. McKay

 \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Greg Gillespie



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**Board Members Present:** Joshua Chancer, Stan Mantooth, Dianne McKay, Bernardo M. Perez, Gabriela Torres, Student Trustee Bryan Rodriguez

**Others Present:** Chancellor Greg Gillespie; Vice Chancellors David El Fattal, Laura Barroso, Cynthia Herrera; Directors Patti Blair, Andrea Ingley, and Gloria Banuelos; Recorder: Laura Brower

**1. VCCCD Special Board Meeting**

1.01 Call to Order. Chair McKay called the meeting to the order at 9:06 a.m.

1.02 **Changes to the Agenda.** There were no changes to the agenda.

1.03 **Public Comments for Agenda Items.** There were no public comments.

**2. Study Session - Facilitator Helen Benjamin**

**2.01 Review of Outcomes and Ground Rules. Opening Activity-Sharing**

Dr. Helen Benjamin reviewed outcomes for the day and ground rules for participation. Trustees shared experiences that led them to becoming a Board Trustee.

**2.02 Current and Future State of the Board.** Trustees shared a single word that describes their view of the Board and provided an explanation why they chose the word. Discussion followed on what could be changed to improve Board relations.

Board Members were placed in groups of two to write a Vision Statement for the Board. After review of each group's vision statement, the following statement was discussed and agreed to:

*In unity, we provide equitable educational and student support opportunities that bring forth justice for anyone. Be open to continuous growth and investment in each other.*

- *Commit to committee meetings (including alternate)*
- *Set dates to receive college and department reports quarterly*
- *Encourage curiosity and spirited dialogue*
- *Respect separation of roles and responsibilities*
- *Promote and manage growth*

**2.03 Board Roles and Responsibilities.** The Trustees reviewed and discussed the following Board Policies:

- **BP 2200 Board Duties and Responsibilities**
- **BP 2215 Role of Board Chair**
- **BP 2430 Delegation of Authority to the Chancellor**

- **BP 2434 Chancellor's Relationship with the Board**

Board Members recommended first and second reading for policies; amending BP 2200 to move the last paragraph to the second paragraph; verifying ACCJC wording is included in BP 2430 Delegation of Authority to the Chancellor.

**2.04 Standard IV.C - Board Performance.** Trustees reviewed the ACCJC Standard IV.C Leadership and Governance: Governing Board. An exercise was conducted for Trustees to evaluate whether the Board meets or does not meet each substandard. Dr. Benjamin discussed with Board Members the reasons for their selections and responded to Trustee questions.

**2.05 Chancellor Search Discussion.** Dr. Narcisa Polonio, Chancellor Search Firm Consultant, joined the meeting via Zoom to discuss the Board's qualification priorities for potential candidates in the Chancellor recruitment. The Board discussed and agreed to search committee members.

**3. Public Comments.** There were no public comments.

**4. Adjournment.** Chair McKay adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.