MONTEREY PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017

1:30 p.m., Library & Technology Center, Sam Karas Room Monterey Peninsula College 980 Fremont Street, Monterey, California 93940 http://mpc.edu/about-mpc/leadership/board-of-trustees

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Marilynn Dunn Gustafson called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Ms. Marilynn Dunn Gustafson, Chair

Mr. Charles Brown, Vice Chair

Dr. Margaret-Anne Coppernoll, Trustee

Mr. Rick Johnson, Trustee

Dr. Loren Steck, Trustee

Dr. Walter Tribley, Superintendent/President

Absent:

Ms. Golnoush Pak, Student Trustee

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

5. STUDY SESSION

A. INFORMATION: 2017-2018 Budget Presentation: Dr. Walter Tribley and Dr. Steven Crow

The Governing Board received a presentation on Monterey Peninsula College District's 2017-18 Budget.

- <u>2017-2018 Budget Presentation</u>
- 2017-2018 Budget Handout
- B. INFORMATION: 2017-2018 Budget Discussion

Public Comments

- 1. Dr. Alan Haffa, MPCTA Vice President
- 2. Ms. Lauren Blanchard, MPCTA President

The trustees engaged Dr. Tribley and Dr. Crow in a discussion of the 2017-18 Final Budget, which included the topics listed below.

1. Budget Challenges

- a. Compensation from the state per full-time equivalent student is the same for all California community colleges, regardless of the area in which the college is located and the associated cost of living. Therefore, MPC has to be at least as efficient in generating FTES as the state average.
- b. MPC's median credit class size (19) versus median credit class size of community colleges across California (26), per the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.
- c. PERS/STRS Rate Increase

2. Compensation

a. There is potential for shifting some compensation from MPC's health insurance program to salaries. (Healthcare benefits currently cost the District approximately \$22,700 per active employee.) This shift could benefit employees by creating health insurance choices and increasing their salaries—which also would increase their retirement benefits. Dr. Tribley noted that this specific strategy is not currently being negotiated with either labor group.

3. Bond Funds

- a. The appropriate use of bond funds the District is limited in how those funds that we received from the state can be used.
- b. MPC has many facility needs with which a bond, possibly in 2020, could assist.
- 4. Balancing the Budget
 - a. Dating back to 2011-2012, the practice has been to balance the budget by using ongoing and one-time funds. This is the first year since 2010-2011 that the District has presented a balanced budget to the Board without a structural deficit.
 - b. The budget has been balanced without including needed expenses such as Enterprise Resource and Planning (ERP) software and staffing key positions. These remain as significant needs to the District and present some risks if not addressed.
- 5. Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES)
 - a. Strategies to increase FTES this year included borrowing from both the summer sessions that bracketed the 2016-2017 academic year.
 - b. FTES goal for Fall 2017 6,800.

The trustees thanked Dr. Tribley for balancing the budget per their direction.

6. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Dunn Gustafson adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Walter Tribley

Superintendent/President