

SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

LOCATION: BUILDING 210, ROOM 214

Present: Ben Green, Holly Hidinger, Ricardo Macedo, Melinda Nish, Melyn Acasio, Joe Martinez, Cynthia Reyna, Lorena Victoria, Ruben Garcia, Hank Murphy, Mitch Thompson, Halé Richardson, Griselda Delgado, David Hoffman, Chayo Moreno, and Zaneta Encarnacion

Absent: Patti Finnegan, Jean Roesch, Kimberly Grady, and Sofia Corona

Recorder: Dawn Perez

1. WELCOME/ CALL TO ORDER – Ricardo A. Macedo
The meeting was called to order at 7:39 a.m. Ricardo introduced Griselda Delgado as the Governing Board’s new representative to SWCF and Zaneta Encarnacion as the newly hired executive director.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- **ACTION** (Enclosure) – Ricardo A. Macedo
A. Motion made by David Hoffman, seconded by Halé Richardson and unanimously approved to accept the minutes from December 15, 2015.
3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INTRODUCTION/REPORT– Zaneta Encarnacion
A. Spring Board Retreat – Saturday, March 12
 - Location–Group is leaning towards holding the event at Liberty Station as long as the space is available and will meet our needs.
 - Ad-hoc Committee–Ricardo, Joe, Ben, anyone is welcome to join the committee.
B. All-Alumni Event, San Diego Gulls – Friday, March 11
Regional community college foundations are joining together to hold a regional “outreach festival” for community college alumni. The event will be held on March 11th at the San Diego Gulls game. The names of alumni who attend will be provided to their former college/s (up to two community colleges may be selected by alumni). Dr. Nish added that the Chancellor’s Office is pushing for community colleges to collaborate more on a regional basis.
4. GOVERNING BOARD REPORT – Griselda Delgado, SWC Governing Board Trustee
Ms. Delgado stated that she is very happy to work with SWCF. Trustees will be attending the ACCT Conference in Washington DC next week.
5. SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT REPORT – Melinda Nish, Ed.D.
Dr. Nish reported as follows:
 - SWC is in the first year of a compressed calendar (16-week long semesters). This allows for a 4-week intersession in January.
 - Delegation to Washington DC will be pushing to get Pell grants reinstated for summer semester.

- Dr. Nish and trustees will be traveling to Sacramento to talk with legislators about increasing the Cal Grant B&C funding levels.
 - CA Community College Chancellor is retiring. A nationwide search is in progress.
 - SWC had 55 employees retire in December and SWC is going through a lot of hiring.
6. TREASURERS REPORT – (Enclosure) – Cynthia Reyna
- A. Financial Report December 2015 was presented by Cynthia Reyna.
7. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Ricardo A. Macedo
- A. Fundraising Committee – Melyn Acasio
- 2016 Golf Tournament
Melyn reported that we have a goal of 120 golfers and discussed sponsorship levels that will be available. Promotion materials will be forwarded via email as soon as ready.
Melyn asked directors to begin thinking about the type of event to hold in the fall.
- B. Nominating Committee – **ACTION** (Enclosure) – Ruben Garcia/Jesse Navarro
- Motion made by Holly Hidinger, seconded by Cynthia Reyna to accept the nomination for new board member applicant, Lisa Johnson.
 - Director's asked that the application form/packet be revised to be more relevant.
8. BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION – Ricardo A. Macedo
- The Board acknowledged and thanked Holly Hidinger for her 15 years of service on SWCF's board.
9. ADJOURNMENT – Ricardo A. Macedo
- The meeting adjourned at 8:34 a.m.