Call to Order, Roll Call and Adoption of Agenda

The Board of Trustees of the Marin Community College District held a special Board meeting (retreat) on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, in the staff lounge of the Deedy Student Services Building at the Kentfield campus, all members having received notice as prescribed by law. Board President Brockbank called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. All members were present except Trustee Long, who arrived at 1:12 p.m., Trustee Treanor, who arrived at 3:30 p.m., and Student Trustee Sandfort.

M/s (Hayashino/Kranenburg) to approve the agenda as provided. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Comments from the Public

There was no one present who wished to address the Board on the items listed on the agenda.

Introductions and Opening Remarks

President White introduced V-Anne Chernock, our new Director of Modernization, who discussed the purpose of the workshop, clarified program terminology, and provided budget information on the Measure C Bond Program (copy of presentation attached). Ms. Chernock stressed the fact that “campus concepts” would be reviewed at this session, but that no decisions would be made. Priorities, choices, timing, and details will be dealt with in the next phase of the planning process.

New Business

Program Overview

Ms. Chernock stated that the Facilities Master Plan created by 3DI has served its purpose (to put the bond in place). She noted that “modernization” may not be the correct term to use any more since we are now looking at possible replacements for a larger number of buildings. She presented
budget figures comparing the original 3D/I budget to the projected amount needed for the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) presented, noting that costs have increased significantly per square foot due to sharp spikes in recent years for steel and concrete. The original assessment by 3DI which resulted in a budget figure of nearly $300 million versus $249.5 million (the amount of the bond approved by the voters) was formulaic. The assessments done by Swinerton and Steinberg involved examining every part of the campus and provided better evidence of the need to replace buildings. She stated that the projected cost of this CIP (based on the campus concepts developed from input received at the charrettes and forums) is $379 million. Our dreams will have to be pared down to meet our budget, so detailed analysis will take place over the next few months.

Board members expressed great concern over the budget figures presented and stressed the importance of staying within budget and the intent of the bond for the facilities modernization and being prudent stewards of the bond funds approved by Marin County voters.

Campus Concepts

Ms. Chernock introduced Rob Barthelman of Steinberg Architects who, along with Aditya Advani of Royston Hanamoto Alley & Abey, presented campus concepts for both the Kentfield and Indian Valley campuses based on input received and dreams expressed at forums, charrettes and meetings held during the past several months. A copy of their presentation is on the College of Marin website at http://marin.cc.ca.us/MeasureC/index.htm. Mr. Barthelman noted that the concepts presented represent the “big picture” (ideals and dreams) and that the program definition document to be developed will deal with the expenditure limit of $249.5 million.

Board members asked questions and provided feedback on the concepts presented.

Next Steps

Ms. Chernock reported that the next steps will include: facilities condition assessment, development of standards and guidelines, development of the program definition document, and development of the final budget. The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) process will begin in late summer ‘06. The Board determined that Board approval of the campus concepts will take place late in the fall, not at the August 8 Board meeting, to allow time for adequate analysis of the issues.

Adjournment

Board President Brockbank adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.