

## **Yuba Community College District Foundation Board Minutes of the August 2, 2023 Regular Foundation Board Meeting**

The Yuba Community College District Foundation Board met on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, for a regular meeting at the Yuba Community College District Offices, 3301 E. Onstott Rd. Yuba City CA 95991.

**Board Members Present:** Wayne Ginsburg, Marcia Stranix, Richard Teagarden, Jesse Ortiz, Eileen Schmidtbauer, Sonja Lolland, Dirk Slooten, Tawny Dotson, Shouan Pan,

**Absent:** Jared Hastey, Santanu Bandyopadhyay

**Resource Members:** Jay Lowden (YCCD Foundation Director), Katy Miller (Fiscal Services), Elaina Johnson (Administrative Secretary)

**Guests:** Aaron Schmoekel

1. **Call To Order and Opening Items:** President Ginsburg called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM and reviewed the in-person meeting protocols. Director Lowden introduced Chancellor Pan, Dirk Slooten, and Elaina Johnson. Every board member present introduced themselves and their role.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** It is recommended that the Foundation Board approve the August 2, 2023 Foundation Board Agenda. Motion by John Cassidy, second by Dirk Slooten. Final Resolution: Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** It is recommended that the Foundation Board approve the Minutes of the May 3, 2023 Foundation Board Meeting as presented. Motion by Richard Teagarden, second by Marcia Stranix. Final Resolution: Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Open Agenda and Public Comment:** None
5. **Consent Agenda:** The consent agenda included the following items: Acceptance of Contributions, Acceptance of Quarterly Warrants, June 30, 2023 Financials, Fund Account List with Balances, and Newly Established Foundation Accounts as of June 30, 2023. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Jesse Ortiz, second by Eileen Schmidtbauer. Final Resolution: Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Action – None**
7. **Information**
  - 7.01 Investment advisor, Aaron Schmoekel, gave an update on the Foundation's year-end investment status. He shared various reports, discussed how the current US market is affecting the global stock market, and explained how opening a Roth IRA account can be a way to establish your own "scholarship" to fund tuition.
  - 7.02 President Ginsburg shared that Woodland Community College Committee would like some guidance when it comes to their organizational structure as an auxiliary committee Of the Foundation. He recommended that we use language from the Foundation's Bylaws as a template to expand the Bylaw's section on advisory committees..
  - 7.03 Dr. Dotson mentioned that Yuba College has the Alumni and Friends Committee, and Dirk Slooten mentioned that Lake County Campus is in the process of organizing a committee because they have specific at that campus that need more support.
8. **Reports**
  - 8.01 YCCD Board of Trustees – Foundation Liaison Reports

Trustee Ortis gave an update on the WCC soccer program. He also stressed the importance of Chancellor Pan getting to know the Woodland community and suggested issuing a press release about the upcoming Chancellor Welcome Receptions. Lastly, he gave an update that the WCC Culinary and Performing Arts Center will open with classes beginning in the spring of 2024.

Trustee Teagarden spoke about welcoming the new Chancellor and agreed on the importance of the Chancellor getting to know key people in the communities that he serves. He also supported the idea of a press release regarding the Chancellor Welcome Receptions.

### **8.02 Chancellor's Report**

Dr. Pan stated he was grateful to attend the meeting and mentioned he has been busy familiarizing himself with the people and communities that YCCD serves, as well as with how the community college system functions in the state of California. Next, he spoke about the search for a permanent president for Woodland Community College. Dr. Lolland will be the head of the committee working to identify the best candidates. Lastly, Dr. Pan talked about his "vision" for YCCD and how the district's identity is mission driven. He described how the district is unique in that it is small but serves a large territory. He stressed the importance of being adaptive, agile, and sustainable, as the district has limited resources. He stated that being innovative will increase the district's capacity to be effective, and he posed the question, "how do we relate our long-term vision with that of the state chancellor's vision and goals?"

### **8.03 Yuba College, Report**

President Dotson shared that Yuba College will have its convocation on August 9, 2023, and that the college is preparing for the first day of classes, which also starts August 9, as dual enrollment students begin Middle College. Dr. Dotson stated that student enrollment is up for both the summer and fall, and that recovery from the pandemic is in full swing. Next, she mentioned that Yuba College has partnered with the Yuba Water Agency to focus on building an employable workforce in the community, and that the STEM facility at Yuba College is currently under renovation. Dr. Dotson also mentioned that the college will be participating in Fentanyl Overdose Reversal training, and that FLEX week is coming up, as well as the Scholarship Celebration Night. Lastly, Dr. Dotson will be hosting a What You Need to Know breakfast event this year at the college to get people out to the campus, she asked if there were any suggestions for civic leaders to invite.

### **8.04 Foundation Director's Report**

Director Lowden thanked the Board for being at the meeting and shared that the Foundation has seen a 99% increase over the last year in giving. He mentioned that in recent months the Foundation has received sizable donations, including an endowment from Bill and Joellen Warfield of \$200,000. Next, he mentioned that the window to apply for scholarships would be closing soon, and he encouraged members to help review applications. Similarly, he discussed the upcoming Scholarship Night event that will take place on October 19, 2023, at Yuba College. Next, he reviewed the upcoming campus convocation dates and upcoming committee meetings. Lastly, he spoke about the upcoming Chancellor Welcome Receptions and the invitations. Director Lowden mentioned that if the trustees thought someone should be invited, they should forward them the email invitation that would be sent out in the next few days.

### **8.05 Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Foundation Board**

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 3:00 PM at the Sutter County Center.

**9. Adjournment:** President Ginsburg adjourned the meeting at 4:03PM