DISTRICT STUDENT COUNCIL

Coast Community College District

Regular Meeting of the District Student Council

Thursday, February 21, 2020

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Student Trustee Finkbeiner called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Alex Loniak led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Members Present: Spencer Finkbeiner, Student Trustee, CCCD George David Sierra, Student Representative, GWC Angela Phung, Student Representative, GWC Carmen Chavez, Student Representative, OCC Alex Loniak, Student Representative, OCC

Also in Attendance: Dr. Julie Nguyen, Advisor, OCC Jane Burton, Student Trustee Advisor, CCCD Dr. Andreea Serban, Vice Chancellor

4. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no requests to address the Council during Public Comment.

5. Approval of Minutes of the December 6, 2019 District Student Council Meeting

On a motion by Alex Loniak, seconded by Carmen Chavez, the Council voted to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2019 DSC Meeting. Motion passed without objection.

6. Review, Discuss and Possible Action Regarding Improving Accessibility of Resources to Students

Guest Speaker: Vice Chancellor Dr. Andreea Serban discussed at length ways of improving the accessibility of student resources, and the differences that currently exist between various campuses and resources offered, as well as the ways resources are made available to the students. She noted that efforts to coordinate website links for resource options on each of the college websites was in the works.

7. Student Advocacy Day

Student Advocacy Day was scheduled for March 11, 2020 in Sacramento. Austin Webster from Townsend Public Affairs joined the meeting via telephone with updates regarding legislation for topics including CalFresh, Financial Aid, FA for basic needs and AB 320 concerning homeless students.

8. 2019-2020 District Student Council Calendar

- **a. Guest Speakers:** Scheduled for March 6, 2020 Austin Webster from Townsend and the Chancellor in April.
- **b.** Community Projects Updates: The Bolsa Chica Wetlands planting project went well. A care package project will be coming up in the future, possibly April 10th after the next DSC meeting.

9. Review Discuss and Possible Action Regarding Potential Districtwide Initiative to Make All Campuses Smoke and Tobacco Free

Vice Chancellor Dr. Serban spoke to this topic, explaining there is currently no Board Policy regarding smoking on campuses. Any policy implemented by the Board would apply to students and employees, and would apply to all district campuses. Discussions continued as to whether District Student Council, as representative of the student body, should support an initiative to make all campuses smoke and tobacco free. The DSC decided to reach out to Dr. Anna Hanlon from ASOCC with an invitation to attend an upcoming meeting as a guest speaker to address this topic.

10. Future Agenda Items

a) Dr. Anna Hanlon, ASOCC

11. Reports

a) General DSC Reports

Campuses reported on their respective campus activities.

b) Report from the Student Trustee

Student Trustee Finkbeiner shared that the Board of Trustees met with U.S. Representative Harley Rouda and discussed congressional legislation to assist college students in the future. Also, a board log report had been submitted regarding the hours of health centers.

12. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no requests to address the Council during Public Comment.

13. Adjournment

As there was no further business, on a motion by Alex Loniak, seconded by Carmen Chavez, the Council voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Motion passed without objection.