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WVMCCD Board of Trustees Regular Meeting (Tuesday, February 10, 2026) - *approved*

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1. Meeting Opening

1.1 Roll Call - called to order at 6:05 PM

Present: Anne Kepner, Adrienne Grey, Susan Fish, Diane Lamkin, Paul Fong, Karl Watanabe
Absent: Randi Kinman

1.2 Board Member Virtual Participation pursuant to Government Code, § 54953 et seq., Teleconference Attendance for "Just Cause" or qualifying "Reasonable Accommodation" - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approves the governing board member's participation in the board meeting virtually/remotely citing the "Just Cause" or qualifying "Reasonable Accommodation" provision of Gov. Code, § 54953 et seq., circumstance relating to the qualifying reason.

Motion that the Board of Trustees approves the governing board member's participation in the board meeting virtually/remotely citing the "Just Cause" or qualifying "Reasonable Accommodation" provision of Gov. Code, § 54953 et seq., circumstance relating to the qualifying reason by Anne Kepner, second by Karl Watanabe

Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

1.3 Oral Communication from the Public on Closed Session Agenda

Oral communication from the public was made

2. Closed Session

2.1 Adjourn to Closed Session

2.2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - (California Government Code § 54957)

3. Opening Items

3.1 Reconvene Public Session

3.2 Roll Call - called to order at 7:10 PM

Present: Anne Kepner, Adrienne Grey, Susan Fish, Diane Lamkin, Paul Fong, Karl Watanabe
Absent: Randi Kinman
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun

3.3 Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

3.4 Report of Closed Session Action

California Ed code 54957, the Board of Trustees voted to non renew a tenure track faculty position.

3.5 Approval of the Order of the Agenda

Motion to approve the order of the agenda by Anne Kepner, second by Paul Fong
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

3.6 Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget Workshop - presented by Ngoc Chim, Vice Chancellor | Finance & Administration

Ngoc presented the 26/27 Budget Workshop and highlighted the following:

- State proposed budget for FY 2026-27
- California Community Colleges budget
- District budget planning for the new year
- Revenue and expense summary
- Property tax overview
- Statutory requirements (FON & 50% law)
- District liabilities and obligations

3.7 Approval of the January 20, 2026 Meeting Minutes - Board of Trustees Meeting

Motion to approve the January 20, 2026 Meeting Minutes by Anne Kepner, second by Karl Watanabe
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

3.8 Report of the Audit and Budget Oversight Committee (ABOC) Committee Members: Oster Fish | Fong | Kepner

3.9 Report of the Legislative and Policy Oversight Committee (LPOC) Committee Members: Grey | Kinman | Lamkin

There was no report.

3.10 Oral Communication from the Public on items not on the agenda

Oral Communication was made by the following individuals:

Brenna Wundram
Michele Hittleman
Mary Garcia
Isaiah Tracy
Jim Schweppe

4. Unfinished Business

4.1 There are no items

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Paul Fong, second by Diane Lamkin

Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

5.2 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM CHANGES AT WEST VALLEY COLLEGE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve the curriculum changes at West Valley College as presented.

5.3 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM CHANGES AT MISSION COLLEGE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve the curriculum changes at Mission College as presented.

5.4 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE WEST VALLEY COLLEGE STEM (GEOLOGY AND ASTRONOMY) STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM IN ICELAND - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve up to fifteen students and three chaperones to attend the Study Abroad program in Iceland, scheduled for August 9–20, 2026.

5.5 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WEST VALLEY COLLEGE PARTICIATION IN THE 2026 ALL-AFRICAN DIASPORA EDUCATION SUMMIT (ADES) IN THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA, WEST AFRICA - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve up to fifteen West Valley College faculty, staff, and administrators to attend the All-African Diaspora Education Summit (ADES) in Ghana, September 24–October 3, 2026.

5.6 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MISSION COLLEGE TO ATTEND THE 2026 ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS IN HIGHER EDUCATION (APAHE) NATIONAL CONFERENCE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve up to six staff members (classified professionals, faculty, and administrators) and four students to attend the 2026 Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE) National Conference in Anaheim, California, April 12–14, 2026.

5.7 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF STAFF ATTENDANCE AT THE ANNUAL ELLUCIAN LIVE CONFERENCE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize seven staff members to attend the Ellucian Live 2026 Conference in Denver, Colorado, April 18–22, 2026.

5.8 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROJECT ASSIGNMENT INCREASE WITH WRNS STUDIO FOR THE LIBRARY RENOVATION PROJECT AT MISSION COLLEGE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees ratify Project Assignment Amendment #12 for an increase of $186,930.00 to the contract with WRNS Studio for the Library Renovation project at Mission College.

5.9 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT INCREASE WITH P2S ENGINEERING - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees ratify Contract Change Request #3 for an increase of $9,500.00 to the contract with P2S Engineering for the Information Systems Building Data Center HVAC Upgrade Project at West Valley College.

5.10 APPROVE THE 2026-2027 NONRESIDENT TUITION RATE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees establish a nonresident tuition fee of $409 per credit unit and assess no foreign citizen capital outlay fee. In addition, the Board of Trustees approve a five-year phased implementation plan as allowed by California Education Code to meet the mandated fee amount with "gradual, moderate, and predictable" increases.

5.11 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve the financial statements and budget adjustments as presented for the period of October 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025 (second quarter). The summary of significant changes lists the second quarter's cumulative budget transactions.

5.12 2025-26 CCFS 311 SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees accept the 2025-26 Second Quarter Financial Report and authorizes Finance staff to certify the CCFS-311Q Report on the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) website.

5.13 PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve the listed items.

6. Advancement

6.1 Acceptance of a $230,131 gift to the West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) Foundation from Howard Gore and Kimberly Hawkins-Gore - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $230,131 gift from Howard Gore and Kimberly Hawkins-Gore.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $230,131 gift from Howard Gore and Kimberly Hawkins-Gore by Paul Fong, second by Anne Kepner
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

6.2 Acceptance of a $10,000 gift to the West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) Foundation from the American Association of University Women (AAUW) San Jose - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $10,000 gift from AAUW San Jose.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $10,000 gift from AAUW San Jose by Anne Kepner, second by Paul Fong
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

6.3 Acceptance of a $12,000 gift to the West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) Foundation from David Fishbaugh and Andrea Schacter - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $12,000 gift from David Fishbaugh and Andrea Schacter.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $12,000 gift from David Fishbaugh and Andrea Schacter by Anne Kepner, second by Diane Lamkin
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

6.4 Acceptance of a $26,000 gift to the West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) Foundation from Sheeva and Reza Ghassemi - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $26,000 gift from Sheeva and Reza Ghassemi.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $26,000 gift from Sheeva and Reza Ghassemi by Anne Kepner, second by Paul Fong
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

6.5 Acceptance of a $25,000 gift to the West Valley-Mission Community College District (WVMCCD) Foundation from Javad Ghassemi - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $25,000 gift from Javad Ghassemi.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the WVMCCD Foundation and the district administration to accept a $25,000 gift from Javad Ghassemi by Anne Kepner, second by Diane Lamkin
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. Human Resources

7.1 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees, per Government Code section 54953(c)(3) and prior to taking final action, orally report a summary of all recommendations for final action on the salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of administrators, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 3511.1, during the open meeting. Subsequent to the report, that the Board approve the following transactions.

Motion that the Board of Trustees, per Government Code section 54953(c)(3) and prior to taking final action, orally report a summary of all recommendations for final action on the salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of administrators, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 3511.1, during the open meeting. Subsequent to the report, that the Board approve the following transactions by Anne Kepner, second by Adrienne Grey
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7.2 EXTEND CLASSIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT - VICE CHANCELLOR, HUMAN RESOURCES - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees extend the appointment of Laura Benson as Interim Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, 100% of full time, 12 months per year; effective through September 9, 2027. The monthly salary for this position is $28,770.92. Compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits shall be limited per the coverage selected ranging from $17,111-$42,031 on an annual basis. The Vice Chancellor shall be provided a monthly transportation allowance of $500.

Motion that the Board of Trustees extend the appointment of Laura Benson as Interim Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, 100% of full time, 12 months per year; effective through September 9, 2027. The monthly salary for this position is $28,770.92. Compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits shall be limited per the coverage selected ranging from $17,111-$42,031 on an annual basis. The Vice Chancellor shall be provided a monthly transportation allowance of $500 by Adrienne Grey, second by Paul Fong
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

8. Business and Finance

There were not items.

9. Public Safety

There were not items.

10. Information Systems

There were not items.

11. Facilities Development & Operations

11.1 RESOLUTION NO. 02102601– EMERGENCY CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS TO WEST VALLEY COLLEGE STUDENT SERVICES CENTER WATER DAMAGE - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 02102601 authorizing the award of a contract without competitive bidding in an emergency situation.

Motion that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 02102601 authorizing the award of a contract without competitive bidding in an emergency situation by Adrienne Grey, second by Anne Kepner
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.2 RESOLUTION NO. 02102602– EMERGENCY CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS TO WEST VALLEY COLLEGE STUDENT EAST COLLEGE CIRCLE ROADWAY - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 02102602 authorizing the award of a contract without competitive bidding in an emergency situation.

Motion that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 02102602 authorizing the award of a contract without competitive bidding in an emergency situation by Anne Kepner, second by Diane Lamkin
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.3 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH SIMPSON GUMPERTZ & HEGER FOR ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE FACILITIES BUILDING AT WEST VALLEY COLLEGE – Recommendation: The Board of Trustees authorize the district to execute an agreement with Simpson Gumpertz & Heger for architectural design and construction administration services for the Facilities Building Water Remediation, in an amount not to exceed $171,000.00.

Motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the district to execute an agreement with Simpson Gumpertz & Heger for architectural design and construction administration services for the Facilities Building Water Remediation, in an amount not to exceed $171,000.00 by Anne Kepner, second by Karl Watanabe
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.4 ACCEPT BASIC CONTRACT AS COMPLETE FOR BID #CA20-2425 FOR THE PARKING LOT REPAIRS, PHASE 1 PROJECT AT MISSION CAMPUS - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees accept the basic construction contract with - Tri Valley Excavating Company, Inc. for Bid #CA20-2425 for PARKING LOT REPAIRS, PHASE 1 PROJECT – Parking Lot Restoration and Repairs at Mission College and authorize the district to file a Notice of Completion.

Motion that the Board of Trustees accept the basic construction contract with - Tri Valley Excavating Company, Inc. for Bid #CA20-2425 for PARKING LOT REPAIRS, PHASE 1 PROJECT – Parking Lot Restoration and Repairs at Mission College and authorize the district to file a Notice of Completion by Anne Kepner, second by Diane Lamkin
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.5 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BID CA08-2526 WEST VALLEY COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER - Recommendation: The Board of Trustees approve the lowest responsive and responsible bid received from Thompson Builders Corporation in the amount of $67,160,000 and reject all other bids.

Terrance DeGray provided an update on this item.

Motion that the Board of Trustees approve the lowest responsive and responsible bid received from Thompson Builders Corporation in the amount of $67,160,000 and reject all other bids by Anne Kepner, second by Karl Watanabe
Aye: Adrienne Grey, Anne Kepner, Susan Fish, Paul Fong, Diane Lamkin and Karl Watanabe
Student Trustees: Jonah Pirnejard, Yifan Sun
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12. Colleges

There were no items.

13. Government Relations and Public Communications

13.1 There are no items.

14. Board

There were no items.

15. Information Reports and Items for Future Board Consideration

15.1 Student Senate Update: Isaiah Tracy, Mission College

Isiah reported that ASG is working to collaborate with other groups on campus. They are also working on upcoming events.

15.2 Classified Senate Update: Andrae Macapinlac - West Valley College | Amanda Marshall - Mission College

Andrae reported that the WV senate will be launching their wellness series, which he is looking forward to.

Amanda reported that MC classified senate has a robust semester planned, including wellness breaks.

15.3 Academic Senate Update: Meg Farrell - West Valley College | Jeff Cormier - Mission College

Meg reported that the WV academic senate held a moment of silence for Diane Hurd during their first meeting of the semester. She has appreciated the collaboration with the other senates.
AP and BP review is taking place as well as 10+1. She provided an update on AI, including that they are hosting and attending seminars.

Jeff reported that the MC academic senate held a retreat that launched the spring 2026 initiatives and priorities. In addition, the senate has started a faculty led AI committee.
The senate continues to support accreditation.

15.4 Mission College President's Update - Seher Awan

President Awan provided an enrollment update. She stated that the annual report is included as well. Recent grants were shared as well as the recent trip to Vietnam to advance workforce development.

Upcoming events were shared.

15.5 West Valley College President's Update - Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza

President Taylor-Mendoza shared that it is 100 days until commencement. Viktoria the Viking the college's newest mascot was introduced. She thanked President Grey for co-presenting at the Effective Trustee workshop in Sacramento.

She looks forward to black history month. Upcoming events were shared.

15.6 Trustee Comments

Paul Fong shared that he attended the legislative conference and enjoyed hearing Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza's presentation. He also got to watch the WVMCCD students in action, additionally he gave kudos to Anne Kepner for her expertise in lobbying.

Paul Fong thanked Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza for adding the course on pickleball.

The outcome was an idea for a bill titled the Yifan Sun Cal Grant bill.

Anne Kepner thanked the students that attended the legislative conference, stating that our district has come along way; she stated that we were shining bright! We should all be proud.

Adrienne Grey thanked Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza for her presentation on DEIA during the January CCLC conference. Adrienne also shared the photos of the students during the conference and thanked them again for their participation.

Trustee Grey stated that she forwarded the email regarding the waitlist issue to the Chancellor, she reminded folks that board members have one role and administrators have another, which is not a policy role; she encouraged folks to reach out to administrators.

Diane Lamkin commented on the waitlist issue stating that she recalls waitlists for her class when she taught at Mission College.

Jonah Pirnejard shared his and his classmates concern with the waitlist issue.

Karl Watanabe shared his experience regarding the waitlist issue.

Susan Fish stated that she appreciates the comments by faculty and students.

16. Continuation of Closed Session, If Necessary

It was not necessary.

17. Reconvene Public Session, If Necessary

It was not necessary.

18. Meeting Closing

18.1 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM