Call to Order
A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District was called to order by President Isabel Barreras at 4:30 p.m., February 6, 2007, at the District Office Boardroom, 1525 E. Weldon Avenue, Fresno, CA.

Trustees Present
Isabel Barreras, President
Dorothy Smith, Vice President (left meeting at 5:24 p.m.)
William J. Smith, Secretary
H. Ronald Feaver
Phillip J. Forhan
Patrick E. Patterson
Leslie W. Thonesen
Kate Blanco, Student Trustee, Fresno City College
Edward Rea, Student Trustee, Reedley College

Also present were:
Tom Crow, Chancellor, SCCCD
Doug Brinkley, Vice Chancellor – Finance and Administration, SCCCD
Ned Doffoney, President, Fresno City College
Barbara Hioco, President, Reedley College
Terry Kershaw, Vice Chancellor – North Centers
Michael Quinn, Interim Vice Chancellor – Educational Services and Planning/Grants
Randy Rowe, Associate Vice Chancellor – Human Resources, SCCCD

Introduction of Guests
Mr. Patterson introduced Dr. Pyong-Mo Chong, visiting professor of art history from Gyeong Ju University, Korea.

Mr. Rowe introduced George Pisching, CSEA Representative.

Among the others present, the following signed the guest list:
Jan Krueger, SCCCD
Marilyn Behringer, FCC
Gursewak Sandu, Student, RC
Renee Dauer, RC
Ron Nishinaka, RC
Chutni Thomas, Student, RC
Toi Waddles, Student, RC
Cris M. Bremer, FCC
Carolyn C. Drake, FCC
John Canfield, Coca-Cola Bottling, Fresno
Rob Seale, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of So. California
Rochelle Hill, Coca-Cola Bottling, Fresno
Diana Garza, Coca-Cola
Jennifer Liwilkie, Coca-Cola Bottling of So. California
Dora Wong, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of California
Rosanna Spicer, Student, FCC
Nick Clark, Student, FCC
Paul Gilmore, FCC
Randall Vogt, SCCCD
Teresa Patterson, SCCCD
Doug Hoagland, The Fresno Bee
Eileen O’Hare, SCCCD
Michael Cantwell-Copher, SCCCD
Brian Speece, SCCCD
Sonya Hildreth, FCC
Sylvia Sanchez, FCC
Dori McKay, SCCCD

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the Board meeting of January 9, 2007, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Forhan and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2007, meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Delegations, Petitions, and Communications
Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Executive Director of the SCCCD Foundation, recognized a generous donation to the Foundation from PG&E last semester in the amount of $5,000 for the Madera Center Disabled Student Programs and Services. She introduced Mr. Al Galvez, PG&E Public Affairs Manager, and presented him with a plaque on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Foundation, Chancellor Tom Crow, and the SCCCD Board of Trustees, in appreciation for PG&E’s generous support for the Disabled Student Programs and Services, Madera Center, State Center Community College District, 2006-2007. The donation encourages innovation and provides educational opportunities through access to technology for students at the Madera Center.

On behalf of the Board, Ms. Barreras thanked Mr. Galvez and PG&E for this generous gift, as well as similar gifts and efforts they have made in the past.

Chancellor’s Report
Dr. Crow reported the following:
- The District will be honoring inductees to the SCCCD Wall of Honor at the African American Historical and Cultural Museum in Fresno. This year the honorees are Dr. Ned Doffoney, Mr. Charles Francis and Ms. Anne Lopez Gaston. Also, Mr. Willie Perry will be honored posthumously. The event is Wednesday, February 28, at the Museum.
- The Workforce Development Summit Findings Report and Action Plan is complete and has been sent to the Summit
Chancellor’s Report (continued)

participants. Individual action plans from the campuses will be completed by March 1. The campus plans will be the result of the findings report and recommendations from the Summit participants. The action plans will center on the areas of class offerings, student support, program and curricular enhancement, marketing opportunities, partnerships, and contract education. Input will continue to be solicited from business and industry partners as the District moves forward with the career and technology education agenda. Summit findings can be found on the SCCCD website.

• Governor Schwarzenegger’s preliminary budget indicates that once again the Governor has demonstrated his support for community colleges, and more specifically, for career and technology education. There is going to be a considerable amount of funding for career and technology education with an emphasis on partnerships, especially with K-12. Staff will be working with the District’s legislative representatives to assure a fair share of the funding. Dr. Crow is scheduled to meet one-on-one with elected officials to discuss issues of importance to the District. He will keep the Board informed as budget negotiations progress in Sacramento.

• The Third Annual Renaissance Feast to benefit the State Center Community College Foundation will be held on Saturday, March 10, at 6 p.m. in the historic Fresno City College Library. Last year’s event was a huge success as evidenced, not only by the turnout, but by the dollars raised for student scholarships, which was nearly $80,000. This year’s feast promises to be another sellout so it is encouraged that tickets be acquired early.

Campus Reports

Dr. Doffoney reported on the following topics from Fresno City College. Copies of the report were provided for the Board and interested attendees.

• African American History Month activities began on February 1 with opening ceremonies. Activities throughout the month include a film festival, book club discussion, panel discussions, a gospel night, reggae celebration, fashion show, and a performance of the Dallas Black Dance Theatre.

• The Fresno City College music faculty will perform a special concert on February 10 to raise funds for the "A Legacy Renewed" capital campaign.

• The Speakers Forum will host an appearance by author Amy Tan on February 12. Tan’s appearance is also part of the Big Read initiative, in cooperation with the National Endowment for the Arts and the Fresno County Library.

• Congratulations to former Ram Matt Giordano who played on the Superbowl championship team, the Indianapolis Colts. Matt played for Coach Tony Caviglia in 2001-2002.
Campus Reports (continued)

Dr. Hioco reported on the following topics from Reedley College. Copies of the report were provided for the Board and interested attendees.

- RC student Samantha Stolting received the American Future Farmers of America Degree at the national FFA Convention, October 28. Ms. Stolting was recognized for her leadership abilities and achievements in agricultural business, production, processing and service programs.
- RC Tiger Football Quarterback Drew Branch was selected by JC Gridwire as First Team Scholar/Athlete All American. Named to the All American Team were Tiger football players Ricky Hope, Danny Urrego, and Tommie Weatherspoon.
- Reedley College received a $50,000 Faculty and Counselor Work Experience Grant awarded by the Economic Development and Workforce Preparation Division of the State Chancellor’s Office.
- A new anatomy lab has opened at the Dinuba Vocational Center. A ceremony is schedule for February 8.
- The RC Speakers’ Series in March will feature the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival’s Shakespeare on Tour in The Comedy of Errors on March 1.
- The Tiger Business Connections will host the 2nd Annual Business Etiquette Dinner and Workshop on February 21.

Dr. Kershaw reported on the following topics from the North Centers. Copies of the report were provided for the Board and interested attendees.

- The Madera Center was awarded a grant by the California State Department of Labor to increase the Licensed Vocational Nursing Program.
- The Madera and Clovis Centers will offer pre-industrial and PLC training funded through the Central California Partnership’s proposal of the "America Must EAT!" grant (Ensuring Agriculture for Tomorrow).
- Madera Center counselor Phil Gonzales was installed as president for the Madera Chapter of the Association of Mexican American Educators.
- Black History Month activities at the North Centers include a Soul Food Lunch and Mardi Gras, and two showings of the film, “Diary of a Mad Black Woman.”
- Filmmaker Alex Munoz will present “Dilemma,” at the Spring Speaker Series on February 27.

Academic Senate Report

Mr. Bill Turini, Reedley College 2007 Academic Senate President, reported on the following topics:

- During the Spring 2007 opening day general meeting, Mr. Turini awarded his predecessor, Mr. Ron Nishinaka, with
a gavel commemorating his six years of service to the State Center Community College District and Reedley College through the role of Academic Senate president.

- The 2007 Reedley College Academic Senate Officers are Vice President for Senate Business Deborah Lapp, Vice President for Curriculum Sheryl Young-Manning, Secretary Jason Gardner, North Centers Faculty Association President Norma Kaser, Past-President Ron Nishinaka. Cynthia Elliott is the representative to the Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges.

- The Senate is working with the Office of Instruction and Program Review Committee chairperson to revise the program review process so that it leads to a better understanding of students and their needs.

- The Senate is working with the Strategic Planning Committee and aligning the Senate’s strategic directions, goals and objectives with the college, District and broader mission of the California community colleges.

- A Senate ad hoc committee is reviewing the college’s process for determining and recommending petitions for equivalency.

- The Reedley College Senate, in conjunction with Fresno City College’s Academic Senate, is researching benefits and drawbacks to a revision of the District’s grading policies through the addition of an “FW” grade.

- A representative attended the “Accountability Report for the California Community Colleges” presentation in Sacramento.

- Ms. Eileen Apperson is the nominee for the ASCCC Regina Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award. The RC Academic Senate elected to send her name forward in recognition of her commitment to the various writing centers under the Reedley College umbrella. Students who take advantage of these services are significantly more likely to successfully complete their basic skills writing courses than those who do not.

Mr. Turini extended an invitation to the Board of Trustees to attend Academic Senate meetings scheduled the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 1:00-1:55 p.m. Information can be found at http://www.reedleycollege.edu/thecollegepage/.

Ms. Barreras asked that congratulations from the Board be conveyed to Ms. Apperson.

Mr. Patterson suggested speeding up the program review process because he has received comments that it takes a long time to change a program, subject, or to get a new course.
Ms. Carrie Baize, Fresno City College Classified Senate President, reported on the following topics:

- The Classified Senate held a planning/brainstorming session.
- Classified Professionals Rob Weil, Linda Nies, and District Director Dr. Janice Emerzian will present at the Association of California Community College Administrators Conference in San Francisco, February 21-23, 2007.
- An Outlook training session is scheduled for February 15.
- A recent Excel training was well attended.
- The Classified Professionals Mega Conference is April 3. The focus is on customer service and community involvement, and will also recognize the Classified Professional of the Year.

It was moved by Mr. Thonesen and seconded by Mr. Forhan that the Board of Trustees approve Consent Agenda Item 07-07HR, as amended, and 07-06HR and 07-11G through 07-16G, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Thonesen and seconded by Mr. Forhan that the Board of Trustees approve the academic personnel recommendations, Items A through B, as presented. (Lists A through B are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix I, 07-06HR).

It was moved by Mr. Thonesen and seconded by Mr. Forhan that the Board of Trustees approve classified personnel recommendations, Items A through I, as amended. (Lists A through I are herewith made a part of these minutes as Appendix II, 07-07HR).

review and sign the warrants register for the period December 22, 2006, to January 26, 2007, in the amount of $12,164,755.57; and

review and sign the check registers for the Fresno City College and Reedley College Co-Curricular Accounts and the Fresno City College and Reedley College Bookstore Accounts for the period December 13, 2006, to January 25, 2007, in the amount of $2,231,150.75.

reject the Application to Present Late Claim submitted on behalf of Jacqueline Knollman, and direct the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to give written notice of said action to the claimant.
Consideration to Approve Quarterly Budget Transfers and Adjustments Report [07-13G]
Action

Consideration of Bids, Server Room HVAC, District Office [07-14G]
Action

Consideration to Accept Maintenance Project, Exterior Painting, Madera Center [07-15G]
Action

Consideration to Accept Construction Project, Applied Technology Modernization, Fresno City College [07-16G]
Action

Old Administration Building Capital Campaign Update and Consideration to Adopt Resolution No. 2007-4 Approving the Filing of a California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) Grant Application for the Old Administration Building, Fresno City College [07-12]
Action

approve the December 31, 2006, Budget Transfers and Adjustments Report.

award Bid #0607-11 in the amount of $94,060.00 to Strategic Mechanical, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, for the Server Room HVAC at the District Office, and authorize the Chancellor, Finance and Administration, to sign an agreement on behalf of the District.

a) accept the project for Exterior Painting, Madera Center; and
b) authorize the Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

a) accept the project for Applied Technology Modernization, Fresno City College; and
b) authorize the Chancellor or his designee to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

**********End of Consent Agenda**********

Dr. Michael Cantwell-Copher, Executive Director of the SCCC Foundation, provided an overview and slide presentation on the Old Administration Building Campaign. She pointed out the prerequisites for a successful campaign that are in place, and followed with a discussion of the OAB Campaign Plan, including the campaign design, organization, and leadership. Gary Renner is the SCCC Foundation President, and the OAB Campaign co-chairs are Dr. Peter Mehas and Mr. Don Larson. The first goal of the campaign is to raise $1 million internally. This phase is nearly completed with $880,000 raised or pledged to date from Fresno City College and SCCCD employees. The second phase is the external phase with a goal of $3 million to be gifted from the community. Dr. Cantwell-Copher expressed that the campaign is raising awareness of the role that Fresno City College and SCCCD play in the community. Another potential revenue source is funding through a California Cultural and Historical
Endowment Grant now in the application stage, which is funded by Proposition 40.

Doug Brinkley introduced Item 07-12. A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Mr. Feaver that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 2007-4 approving the District’s filing of a $3,000,000 grant application for California Cultural and Historical Endowment funds for restoration of the Old Administration Building at Fresno City College. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brinkley introduced Item 07-13 and answered questions from Mr. Smith, Ms. Barreras and Mr. Forhan regarding equalization.

Ms. Barreras acknowledged the Quarterly Financial Status Report (CCFS-311Q) for the Board of Trustees. No action was required.

Mr. Brinkley introduced Item 07-14 and answered questions from Mr. Smith regarding the composition of the trail path. Mr. Rea added that this project will provide lighting for the dorm area.

A motion was made by Mr. Forhan and seconded by Mr. Thonesen that, upon a roll call vote, the Board of Trustees a) approve Resolution No. 2007-5 signifying the District’s intention to dedicate right-of-way to the City of Reedley for the City’s Rails to Trails project; and b) schedule a public hearing for this matter at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2007.

The motion carried by the following vote:

- Ron Feaver - yes
- Phil Forhan - yes
- Pat Patterson - yes
- Dorothy Smith - yes
- William Smith - yes
- Les Thonesen - yes
- Isabel Barreras - yes

Public comments were made by the following:

- Diane Garza-Ciarlante, Director of Public Affairs for the Coca-Cola Company based in Atlanta, Georgia, addressed the Board regarding concerns that arose at the last Board meeting about the Coca-Cola's Company’s operations in Colombia and India, and general questions regarding the company’s human rights policies. She stated she was present to assure the Board of the steadfast commitment to workers’ rights, labor rights, and human rights. She gave some highlights of some of the
company’s situations in both Colombia and India. In conclusion, she stated that since 2001 the company has been addressing these issues and they have been proven false time and again.

(Ms. Smith left at 5:24 p.m.)

- Mr. John Canfield, sales manager for the Coca-Cola Bottling Company in Fresno addressed the Board regarding the benefits of having an exclusive beverage partnership.

Mr. Brinkley spoke to the Board regarding the additional information the Board had requested. Item 07-15 is not an action item, but is for the Board’s discussion and direction to staff.

Ms. Barreras asked how the net amount from the beverage contract is distributed to the colleges.

Mr. Patterson asked for an explanation of the full service commission.

Mr. Thonesen said that he hoped that this item can be completed this meeting or next. He would rather have a presentation and hear from the students on how education value can be improved. He was concerned that some of these issues needed to be resolved some place else.

Ms. Barreras expressed that the Board needs to remember that the students are the primary consumers, and she would like to take that into consideration when it comes to making any decision.

Mr. Rea said that instead of making one agreement for the entire district, how about letting each college choose.

Ms. Barreras responded that one of the things that is going to be suggested is that the campuses go back and decide on what they want to do and come back in March with their plans. The Board can possibly taken action then.

Mr. Patterson said he is concerned about human rights issues and thinks we have an obligation to be cognizant of the issues and take whatever action we can for our part to make sure that human rights throughout the world are adhered to and followed. He said that the Board did ask staff to examine the issue and to see if the Coca-Cola companies we are dealing with had anything to do with the human rights allegations, or if any of those allegations were true. He said that he has found nothing that would substantiate that those allegations were true. He said that our staff
thoughts that the company negotiated in good faith and that we have what may be considered a good contract. He said he was prepared to make a motion.

Ms. Barreras reminded the Board that the item is for discussion only and that action could be taken at the March meeting.

Mr. Feaver said that we have listened to some students, but he said he was not sure how many students we are talking about—one class, or the whole campus.

Mr. Smith said that he agrees with Mr. Patterson in part with respect to the issue of human rights. However, he thought that the Board needed input from all constituencies, and that he was willing to listen to the constituencies before making a decision. He said he wants to be sure that there is input from everybody, especially the students because it affects them. If the students decide not to go with an exclusive contract, they are going to lose money and the students have to understand that. Mr. Smith asked that there be some evidence about what the majority wants before the Board can make an ultimate decision.

Ms. Barreras stated the item will be on the agenda for the March Board Meeting, and the Board’s recommendation is that the campuses go back and talk with their students, plan it out, and come back in March with what they want to do.

Mr. Forhan asked if the students were aware that this item was on the agenda tonight. Mr. Brinkley said they were aware.

Ms. Barreras said that the FCC Academic Senate wanted the opportunity to discuss this issue at Fresno City College.

Dr. Crow added that the Fresno City College Academic Senate has asked that a decision not be made at this meeting because they want to talk about it. He said that we also received some input from some students at Fresno City College and that they would like to defer it to the next meeting, as well.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Patterson that the Board of Trustees approve the 2007-08 Budget Development Calendar as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

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<td>Governor’s 2007-08 Proposed Budget</td>
<td>Mr. Brinkley introduced this item, which was presented as information only and no action was required.</td>
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<td>Consideration of Agenda Items for Board Retreat, March 16-17, 2007</td>
<td>Ms. Barreras asked the Board for suggested items for the Board Retreat. The Board has until March 1 to respond with items.</td>
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<td>Mr. Feaver asked that vocational education, districtwide, be placed on the Retreat agenda.</td>
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<td>Ms. Barreras said that she wants some sessions put together for the Board members in regard to the Board’s self evaluation.</td>
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<td>Reports of Board Members</td>
<td>Ms. Kate Blanco, Fresno City College Student Trustee, reported the following:</td>
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<td>• Attended the CCLC Legislative Conference, January 28-29 where both she and Mr. Rea had opportunities to learn about advocacy, fiscal matters and California politics.</td>
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<td>• Twenty-six agencies participated in the January 17 Volunteer Faire.</td>
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<td>• African American History Month activities include Drumagic drumming group, featured dances, poetry readings, oratorical presentations, Black Dance Theater, film festival, book club, Reggae celebration, and a college gospel celebration.</td>
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<td>• Author Amy Tan will have a presentation on February 12 as part of The Big Read activities throughout Fresno.</td>
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<td>• The ASG will be organizing OAB tours for students as a part of the student campaign to raise funds for the capital campaign.</td>
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<td>Mr. Edward Rea, Reedley College Student Trustee, reported the following:</td>
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<td>• February student activities include a Valentine Vendor Day, Mardi Gras events, U.S. Army NASCAR display, and Chinese New Year event.</td>
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<td>• African-American History Month activities are a game show, soul food sampling, blues music, poetic history, visit to African American Historical Museum, Hope Inspirators Gospel Singers, Wall of Honor display, and movie series.</td>
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<td>• In sports, the baseball and softball teams started their season undefeated. The women’s basketball team will be competing at Merced with first place in the conference at stake.</td>
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Old Business

None.

Future Agenda Items

Ms. Barreras stated that Ms. Smith is requesting an update on permanent classrooms, and sufficient supplies and materials for disabled students at Fresno City College.

Delegations, Petitions, and Communications

None.

Closed Session

Ms. Barreras stated that in closed session the Board would be discussing:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)
Name of Case: Golden Bear, Inc. v. American Property Holdings and State Center Community College District; Fresno County Superior Court Case Number 04CECG0179SJK

Ms. Barreras called a recess at 6:05 p.m.

Open Session

The Board moved into open session at 7:19 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

Ms. Barreras reported the following from closed session:

1) The Board took action on October 5, 2004, to suspend classified employee number 0143121 for ten days without pay. The Board took action on February 1, 2005, to terminate the same employee. On January 16, 2007, the State Center Community College District Personnel Commission took action to uphold the suspension and termination of that classified employee.

2) The Board gave direction to administration regarding the Golden Bear litigation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by the unanimous consent of the Board.

Amendment to Minutes

The following statement by Dr. Thomas A. Crow, Chancellor, was read at the March 6, 2007, Board of Trustees meeting prior to the call for consideration of approval of the February 6, 2007, minutes of the SCCCD Board of Trustees.

"In our haste to provide the Board of Trustees with timely information on the recent actions of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, the
administration distributed the action letters received on February 5, 2007, to the Board in Closed Session. No action was taken. The Closed Session agenda did not include an item for this topic.

"The item is on tonight's agenda for consideration to approve the Progress Reports of the colleges. This cures and corrects any technical deficiencies in the Brown Act from last month's agenda. A copy of the information distributed to the Board of Trustees is available on the counter at the back of the room."

A motion was made by Mr. Thonesen and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2007, meeting, as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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William J. Smith, Secretary, Board of Trustees
State Center Community College District