



VICTOR VALLEY COLLEGE DISTRICT FOUNDATION, INC.

Board of Directors

Meeting: February 9, 2022

MINUTES

Present In-person or via Zoom Conference Call: Peter Allan, Casey Armstrong, Cindy Bostick, Don Brown, Larry Cusack, Craig Garrick, Pamela Glendinning, Sam Grandlienard, Fred Hunter, Troy Kuhns, Jason Lamoreaux, Austin Marshall, John Nahlen, Scott Nassif, Rahul Nayyar, David North, Mike Nutter, John Ohanian, Dave Olney, Bill Scott, Shannon Shannon, Paul Stanton, Jennifer Tarpley, Niru Vangala, Daniel Walden, Kathleen Wood, Miranda Buckley (Guest), Kirsten Acosta, Irene Molinar, Chris Nunez, and Glennis Duncan.

Not Present: Jackie Augustine-Carreira, David Greiner, Carla Hamilton-Yates, Elaine Navarrete, Kirk Riding, Joseph Schaffer, and McKenzie Tarango.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.
 - a. Tarpley led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - b. Student Testimonial – Miranda Buckley shared her surprise of being awarded the Young Alumni Hall of Fame for 2022.
- II. **Calendar Review** – The board received and reviewed the February through April 2022 calendars and the major annual events calendar. Acosta reported that the scholarship drive closes on March 11. April events include: Giving Campaign on April 6 and the Alumni Hall of Fame and Distinguished Service Awards on April 23.
- III. **Consent Agenda:** The following items were approved as presented: MSC (Armstrong / Olney).
 - a. Minutes of November 10, 2021,
 - b. December 31, 2021 Financial Statements,
 - c. 2022 Alumni Hall of Fame & Distinguished Service Awardees.
- IV. **Items Pulled from Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Resignation of Dawn Serbus – Shannon reported that Serbus has resigned from the board due to retirement. The next alternate replacement is Derek King. MSC (Armstrong / Olney).
- V. **Information / Discussion:**
 - a. Auxiliary Reorganization Update – Walden reported that the BOT in closed session requested an actuarial study be completed of the CalPERS liability.
 - b. CalPERS Update – Nutter reviewed information from the teleconference with Best, Best & Krieger in December: Safie is no longer optimistic in a settlement since CalPERS does not want to set a precedence; new hearing set for May 16-17; process could take another 180 days for ruling after the hearing; CalPERS can override the ruling if it is in the

Foundation's favor; Foundation could continue to Superior court; full board approval would be needed to continue due to legal fees; alternate option if CalPERS is denied is to go through PARS; Town Hall type of meeting will be hosted by BB&K, Shannon, and Nutter for all current and past employees to answer questions regarding CalPERS issue and the PARS option.

- c. Staff Updates – Molinar shared the Winter 411 Newsletter. Miranda Buckley's notification was last night at the BOT meeting. Staff is continuing with the Rams Bookstore vouchers for students for Spring semester. The next President's Circle luncheon is on March 3.

VI. **Committee & Task Force Reports:**

- a. VP Resource Development – Casey Armstrong – Armstrong reminded the board to keep the HOF awardee list secret. Save the date cards will go out as soon as all notifications are complete. This will be the final lip sync competition. Staff will send out silent auction wish lists. The sponsorship flyer is in the packet.
- b. VP Public Outreach & Recognition – Craig Garrick – The next President's Circle luncheon is on March 3.
- c. VP Programs & Allocations – Fred Hunter – Spring campus grant applications open next week.
- d. VP Campus Connections – Sam Grandlienard – The scholarship committee will need assistance reviewing applications starting in April. 375 applications have been started. Nunez reported that he is visiting high school campuses and assisting incoming freshman with their applications. VVC's OBOC program is assisting with essay writing.
- e. VP Operations – Don Brown – No report.
- f. Treasurer – Kirk Riding – The Finance committee met last week.
- g. Past President – Mike Nutter – No report.

- VII. **Comments: Superintendent / President** – Walden reported that enrollment is down 20% due to COVID. Spring enrollment may only be down 6%. VVC has placed "Ram Rooms" in each of the 10 High Desert high schools to increase enrollment. Social media posts, billboards, radio station announcements, and mailers are all part of the marketing strategy. Graduation is on June 15. The new VVC Connect to Success Center is open from 7:30 am to 9:00 pm and housed by 2 supervisors and 6 technicians. **ASB Representative** – ASB is hosting club rush the second week of Spring. Foundation is welcome to share scholarship drive information. ASB is partnering with Amber Allen for the basic needs center. ASACC conference is in March in Washington DC. **President** – Shannon reported that she is working on the CalPERS matter and attending several committee meetings. **Board** – Kuhns reported that faculty has requested assistance to bring back the planetarium shows. Staff suggested applying for a campus grant and having the Foundation grant writer look for specific Astronomy related grants. ComAv would be interested in a proposal. Questions were raised on if scholarships are still necessary. Nunez reported that scholarships are still needed to cover insurance costs, CTE material fees, testing fees, etc. **Executive Director** – Acosta reported that Flagstar (\$15K for VRC) and Finish Line Scholars (\$150K to scholarships/grants) have been re-awarded.

- VIII. The meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m. MSC (Armstrong / Glendinning).