

VICTOR VALLEY COLLEGE DISTRICT FOUNDATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting: April 9, 2025

MINUTES

Present In-person: Casey Armstrong, Jacqueline Augustine-Carreira, Joseph Brady, Donald Brown, David North, John Ohanian, Sam Grandlienard, Deann Fulton, David Greiner, Austin Marshall, David Olney, Derek King, Fred Hunter, Darron Poulsen, Dana Roesler, Bill Scott, Shannon Shannon, Niru Vangala, Eric Vreeman, Larry Cusack, Daniel Walden, Kirsten Acosta, Penny Davis, Chris Nunez, Irene Molinar-Santos and Amber Watson.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m.
 - a. Meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Irene Molinar-Santos.
- II. There were no Public Comments.
- III. Calendar Review The board received and reviewed the April June 2025 calendars and the major annual events calendar. Acosta reported June is a busy month with President Circle, Scholarship ceremony, commencement and the Installation of Officers.
- IV. Consent Agenda: The following items were approved as presented: MSC(North / Shannon)
 - a. Minutes of February 12, 2025,
 - b. Approve Spring 2025 Campus Grants.
- V. No items pulled for consent agenda

VI. Information / Discussion:

- a. Armstrong goes over the Alumni Hall of Fame event, which was a success. The net of the event including in-kind was \$98,000.
- b. Staff Updates Molinar goes over the VVTA donation of buses to VVC for the CTE program. The VVC Scholarship drive ended with 519 fully submitted applications. The scholarship committee will be reviewing to award. VVC Foundation attended the Women's wrestling. There have been a few new incoming scholarships to the Foundation from Women in Manufacturing Southern California, Manufacturers' Council of the Inland Empire, and Kiwanis Club of Victorville.

VII. Committee & Task Force Reports:

 a. VP Resource Development – Casey Armstrong – Armstrong reported out that the meetings for the next event HDES will be starting in mid April. HDES will be held at the VVC Event Center on Friday, October 24, 2025.

- b. VP Public Outreach & Recognition Craig Garrick Absent no report.
- c. VP Programs & Allocations –David North– North reported that Campus Grants have been approved. We awarded \$17,000 in general campus grant funds and \$9,000 in SCE Stem grants.
- d. VP Campus Connections Sam Grandlienard Grandlienard reported out on the Scholarship drive with a record number of applications.
- e. VP Operations Don Brown No report.
- f. Treasurer Kirk Riding Acosta reported out that Finance meeting is May 8, 2025.
- g. Past President Shannon Shannon No report.

VIII. Comments:

- a. Superintendent / President Dr Walden reported that college growth is up 6% from last year. The college has hired a lobbyist in Sacramento on contract to work on student housing funding. The hill on Bear Valley Road in front of the college is in the process of being redesigned with the VVC logo and lights. The project is in city planning now. VVTA has donated 2 buses to add to the fleet for Class B license. The class B training range is currently at the architect and will need to be DSA-approved. The focus at the college is streamlining business practices.
- b. ASB Representative Fulton reported out that ASB visited Washington DC in March and visited with Jay Obernolte. ASB also visited LA for Student Senate for California Community Colleges. They had 4 resolutions passed. One was for Gold Star family priority registration.
- c. **Foundation President –** Hunter reported on a lunch he had with Acosta and Garrick to bring back college tours for board members or donors.
- d. Board Members No Report
- e. **Executive Director –** Acosta reported out the Finish Line Scholarship has been renewed for 5 years at \$150,000. 80% is for scholarships and 20% is for emergency funding for students. The Foundation supported 2 events on campus, the Women's History Month event and the Dream Big event.
- IX. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. MSC (Vangala/Brown).