Trustee Scott-Hayes called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Update: Los Angeles Harbor College Strategic Plan

A document entitled “Los Angeles Harbor College, Process for Strategic and Educational Master Plan Progress, 2008-2010” was distributed.

(Trustee Mercer arrived at 9:03 a.m.)

Dr. Linda Spink introduced Mr. Dave Humphreys, Mr. Jim Stanbery, and Ms. Ellen Joiner. She identified them as the key individuals leading the strategic plan update under the guidance of Mr. Luis Rosas. She deferred to Mr. Humphreys.

Mr. Humphreys discussed the document with respect to Los Angeles Harbor College (LAHC) Progress Report on the integration of its program review, student assessment, and budgeting policies in which the team concluded that, “The College has made a full commitment to embrace an ongoing, robust and reflective dialog for evaluating and improving the overall planning process in an ongoing and sustainable manner.”

Mr. Humphreys further discussed that the LAHC Strategic Plan Self-Inventory aligns provisions of the College Strategic Plan with those of the District’s Strategic Plan; and that the District institutional effectiveness template will facilitate the full linkage of SLO assessment, program review, planning, and budgeting for participating colleges.

Mr. Humphreys distributed a document entitled “College Strategic Plan Self-inventory 2008-2009.” He discussed the document with respect to the “m’s” noted on the far left of the document which refers to specific measures to the different areas in the College Strategic Plan (”m” = assessment measures defined for specified goal).

Mr. Gary Colombo expressed his concern that stabilizing the LAHC budget has not been addressed.

Dr. Spink responded that the College continues the promotion of Basic Skills Initiatives, on-line degree programs, a new Title V grant for new engineering and business degrees, and recruiting international and out-of-state-students. She further noted that funding is being sought to continue the “Teacher Career Ladder Pathway,” and to create a “Water Treatment Program and a Surgical Technical Program.”
Substantive Change Proposal for East Los Angeles College

Copies of a document entitled “East Los Angeles College, Substantive Change Proposal for Distance Education” were distributed.

Ms. Karen Darr discussed the document with respect to the submission of the Substantive Change Proposal, due as a result of the expansion of its Distance Education program and criteria for students pursuing their Associates degree and certification programs. She indicated that Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) requires that colleges submit a Substantive Change Proposal before initiating changes that modify the college’s mission of identity, and that Com. No. BT4. Approve Accreditation Substantive Change Proposal is on today’s Board agenda for adoption. She further stated that East Los Angeles College (ELAC) students are now able to complete at least 50 percent of any Associate Degree program online for Accounting, Child Development, and Medical Assisting. She indicated that students are also able to complete at least 50 percent of the requirements online for certificate programs in Computer Science Information Technology Microcomputers and Programming, Customer Service, International Business, Microcomputer Programming Specialist, Office Assistant, and Real Estate Broker.

Discussions were held regarding the identity confirmation of the online individual taking the course and test online.

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to recommend to the full Board approval of the East Los Angeles College Accreditation Substantive Change Proposal.

APPROVED: 3 Ayes

Draft Accreditation Reform Resolution

Copies of a document entitled “Resolution on Reforming Higher Education Accreditation in the Western Region (Draft)” were distributed.

Mr. Colombo discussed that the research and planning group for California community colleges have been conducting a survey for a year with respect to comparing the accreditation process in California to institutions across the country. He will provide the Committee members with a copy of the report once it has been published.

Discussions were held regarding the Draft Resolution on Accreditation Reform with respect to tabling it until after the Cityside evaluation reports are available sometime in May 2010.

Motion by Trustee Field, Seconded by Trustee Mercer, to table the Draft Resolution on Accreditation Reform until the Committee meets on July 14, 2010 for further discussion.

APPROVED: 3 Ayes

Committee Outlook

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.