

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS FOUNDATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD**

August 18, 2009

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The CSUCI Foundation Board met on Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the Topa Tower Club in Oxnard.

Members Present:

Steve Blois
Bill Kearney, Board Chair
George Leis
Judy Linton, Secretary
Norma Maidel
Pauline G. Malysko
Dr. Neil Paton
John Ridgway
Richard Rush, President
Mark Sellers
Julia Wilson, VP for University Advancement

Staff:

Marti DeLaO, Director of Development, Annual Fund & Donor Relations
Nichole Ipach, Director of University Development
Tania Garcia, Director of Development & Alumni Alumni Relations
Eva Gomez, Executive Administrative Assistant
Mitchel Sloan, Director of Development & Sponsorships
Celina Zacarias, Director of Development, Community & Government Relations

Guest:

Absent:

Joanne Coville, VP of Finance & Administration
Lucinda Daley
Linda Dullam
Harold Edwards
Dennis Gaiser
Larry Hymes
Larry Janss
Mary McCurdy-Kramer
Ruby Oertle
Jeff Paul
Ron Polanski, Treasurer
Dr. Paul Rivera
Tim Wolfe

Bill Kearney, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

Welcome & Introductions:

Bill Kearney welcomed all in attendance. Bill thanked Steve Blois for hosting and for supporting the Foundation.

Minutes

MOTION #09-88: Kearney informed the committee that there were not enough members for a quorum at this meeting. He suggested that the meeting minutes be approved at the December 2009 meeting. He asked if the board had any corrections. No corrections were stated.

University Update/ President's Remarks

President Richard Rush thanked Steve Blois for hosting the Foundation Board and for his continued support. President Rush mentioned to the committee that Joanne Coville could not be in attendance as that she offered her apologies for missing the meeting.

President Rush reported on the convocation meeting on campus. When asked how we are he simply replies, "OK".

President Rush further commented that Joanne Coville approached him 2 years ago with concerns about the budget and because of that, CSU Channel Islands was able to build a pot of one-time money. Rush thanked Joanne Coville for a wonderful job adroitly managing our finances during these times.

Rush explained that CSU Channel Islands asked the Chancellor's Office not to cut our enrollment so we wouldn't lose students and the momentum we have built. CSU Channel Islands exceed 4 other campuses in number of applications and we have hit our goals to show momentum. The Chancellor's Office has agreed to keep enrollment flat. They have also taken \$20 million and put back into our university and other small campuses. That has reduced the amount of money we need to cover furloughs and layoffs.

President Rush said that at this time, every bargaining unit except the trades has agreed to furlough. Finally, the faculty union has also come on-board. Rush continued by saying that we don't have to lay off staff. Rush explained that CSU Channel Islands plans to have a group A/B program where staff would take every other Friday off and further explained how it works. Rush mentioned that staff would not be forced to do same amount of work under these circumstances. President Rush expressed his concerns with the Legislators taking advantage of this situation to show that the CSU can function with the 10% decrease. . Bill Kearney informed President Rush that it was his observation that staff members he's seen have not limited their time to 40 hrs per week. President Rush responded that he does not want his staff to go beyond 40 hrs, but that he knows the people he works with and that they'll get the job done. Neil Paton asked how CSU Channel Islands verifies that people are not working. President Rush replied that it would be simpler to take a 10% pay. President Rush told the committee that he has established a Helping Hands fund by donating \$5K to help CSU Channel Islands staff for such things as money for their kids to buy shoes.

President Rush told the committee about the accomplishments at CSU Channel Islands. Today Dr. Ivona Grzegorzcyk received a \$900,000 grant from NSF, Dr. Ching-Wua Wang received a \$1.7 million grant for medicine, and Dr. Geoff Dougherty received the Full Bright Award.

Finance Committee

There was no update on the Finance Committee at this time.

MOTION #09-89: Due to no quorum, June financials were not approved.

Development Activities

Julia Wilson informed the board that there were several updates from University Advancement.

Nichole Ipach informed the board on the Entertainment Studies Program. She mentioned that we are scheduled to have such guests as Leanne Rhymes. She encouraged the board members to come out and

attend the lecture series. She asked the committee to stop by and thank Mr. Mark Hartley at his restaurant, the Watermark for all that he's doing for the University and this program.

Nichole updated the board on the Nursing Program. She told the board that CSU Channel Islands has received a \$40K grant from Verizon for the medical records software. She also mentioned that significant progress has been made with Cottage hospital in the Santa Barbara area.

Celina Zacarias gave the Legislative Update to the board. Celina talked to the board about AB 1222 and SB 218 which deals with anonymous donors.

Bill Kearney thanked Celina for being Director of Community and Government Relations and for the great job she's doing.

Julia Wilson gave the update on Social Business. She told the board members that CSU Channel Islands has a Campus Reading Celebration every year where a committee picks a book and invites the author to come to campus. Muhammad Yunus' book has been selected as this year's book for the campus and we have received donations from community members for 5,000 books so far. The event will take place on February 26, 2010. We are in the process of looking at alternatives for the venue location. Dr. Muhammad Yunus will be attending the event and coming to campus to speak about social business. Dr. Yunus will be inviting people to come with him.

Julia told the committee about lecture series on microfinance. She asked the board to help anyway they can to help make this course work.

Julia also informed the committee about the Art Gallery Update. The proceeds are up to \$13,372

Julia asked the committee to save the dates for the following events:

Golf Tournament - August 31st

Foundation Board Retreat – September 25-27, 2009

President's Dinner – October 3rd

B&TP Holiday Mixer – December 3rd

Campus Reading Celebration – February 26, 2009

Sept. 10th, Wolfe president circle event. The state of the art by Jack Reilly

New/Old Business

Marti DeLaO gave the committee a briefing on the raffle tickets that we sold for the European trip at the President's Dinner.

Tania Garcia reminded the board about the upcoming Alumni and Friends Association 6th annual Dodger Day event. This event sold out in 2 days. A total of 150 alumni will attend this event on 3 buses and 30 new memberships were obtained through this event.

Bill Kearney announced to the board that Tim Wolfe has entered his resignation.

Next Meeting: Foundation Board Retreat, September 25-27, 2009

Bill Kearney adjourned the meeting at 6:41p.m.

APPROVED:

Date

Judy Linton, Secretary

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