



**Approved Minutes
President's Advisory Council
October 13, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT *Chair:* Gilbert J. Contreras *Deans:* Dani Wilson *Management:* Jennifer LaBounty *Faculty:* Jennifer Combs, Aline Gregorio, Kim Orlijan, Marcus Wilson *Classified:* Sharon Kelly, Marwin Luminarias *Students:* Ja'ren Kenyatta, Grant DeVries *Resource Members:* Rod Garcia, Elaine Lipiz Gonzalez, Lisa McPheron

Members Absent: Eddie Roth, José Ramón Núñez

Guests: Mark Greenhalgh, Erin LaCorte, Rena Martinez Stluka

INFORMATION

1. **Approval of Minutes of September 22, 2021:** Approved as submitted.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved as submitted.

REPORTS

1. **President's Report:** Interim President Gilbert J. Contreras updated PAC in eight items:
 - 1) This is LGBTQIA+ History Month and Dr. Contreras shared a statement at the Board meeting last night in support of the Fullerton College LGBTQIA+ community.
 - 2) On September 30, he attended the Brea Olinda Unified School District's State of the Schools Breakfast and stated that it was very inspiring. Superintendent Brad Mason talked about the progress Brea schools have made despite the grind of the pandemic.
 - 3) Interim President Contreras and Friends of Fullerton College Foundation director Zoot Velasco met with the CEO of St. Jude Medical Center, Laura Ramos. She is a strong supporter of COVID-19 vaccinations and appeared in a video targeted to students age 18-24.
 - 4) The Hornet Leadership Retreat will be held on Friday, October 15 and has a JEDI theme this year. After a day of meetings, a movie night will be held in the quad.
 - 5) Dr. Contreras reported that timelines are being worked on for the four Division Dean openings. The College will be recruiting for Fine Arts, Humanities, Math, and Natural Science.
 - 6) Dr. Contreras met with Dr. Fram Virjee, President of Cal State University, Fullerton, to discuss collaboration between Fullerton College and CSUF. They discussed best practices, COVID-19 planning, basic needs, and other items.
 - 7) Interim President Contreras announced the Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program was recently signed by the Governor to help increase the stock of student housing. The program supports projects that will be shovel ready by December 2022 and also appropriates funding for planning and feasibility studies. Fullerton College could apply for a California Community College Planning Grant which has a due date of Oct. 31, 2021.
 - 8) Lastly, Interim President Contreras invited everyone to the next President's Open Forum on October 20 at 4:00 p.m.

2. PAC Member Reports:

Ja'ren Kenyatta and Grant DeVries shared that new A.S. senators are being assigned to committees and that A.S. created a club task force to work with the student clubs on campus.

Kim Orlijan reported that at the September 30 meeting Faculty Senate took action to recommend support of the NOCCCD vaccine mandate in as strict a way as possible and accept as few exemptions as possible. They also took action to direct the Institutional Research and Effectiveness Committee to research and analyze the decision-making process and implementation of spring semester planning.

Sharon Kelly said the CSEA contract was ratified on Monday by their membership and approved by the NOCCCD Board of Trustees last night.

Dani Wilson mentioned that the Guided Pathways committee had reached out to the deans in order to make Guided Pathways Update presentations at their division meetings. They would also like to bring update presentation to A.S. and SEAC.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **COVID-19 Gradual Return Planning (Contreras, Information):** Interim President Contreras steps are being made to return. A few points to highlight, covid testing will be done in room 1018 as of November 1; exploring a staffing structure to conduct the testing ; also looking at staffing to review religious exemptions for students; out of about 4000 students on campus, only a small number have actually uploaded their vaccination records. Daniel Berumen said it was about 15% reported being vaccination as of this week. We are looking for student incentives. Anticipating MOUs in the coming weeks, hot meals for spring 2022 being discussed for spring; Discussion: Marcus many faculty report not hearing back verification on forms they already uploaded. They are still pending – being processed by a 3rd party vendor. Starting next week, results should be verified within 48 hours.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **COVID-19 Student Check-In (Lipiz Gonzalez, Information):** VPSS Elaine Lipiz Gonzalez spoke about the COVID-19 check-in for students. The station is located in front of the faculty senate lounge. The process is for students to go to the FC App, answer the prescreening questions and if they are cleared, a green check mark is displayed on their phone. Then their temperature is taken, and they receive a green wrist band if they are OK to go to class. Even after the District vaccine mandate is in place on November 1, the process will remain the same through the semester. Dr. Lipiz Gonzalez addressed concerns about having a single physical check-in location for the spring semester when many more thousands of students will be coming to campus. She said that one option is to use the check-in station only for exceptions: students without a cellphone, issues with the App, students coming to add a class, etc. All others would check in using an improved App that would link to vaccine mandate clearance data. Instructors and hosts at building entrances would check for a red or green check mark on a cellphone screen rather than looking for a wristband.

Employees and students will get tested in room 1018. She said that they are also considering a drive thru area for testing. To start with, testing will be done Monday through Friday - Monday/Tuesday/Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to noon. Weekly testing means testing one time in a Monday through Friday period, but not necessarily held to the same day of the week.

2. COVID-19 Testing (Lipiz Gonzalez, Information): *Included in New Business Item 1*

3. Student Retention & Enrollment Strategies (Contreras, Information): Interim President Contreras announced that money has been made available to the District to support efforts to increase student retention rates and enrollment. Allowable expenditures are for high touch, personalized contacts with target populations. This includes phone banks, student ambassador programs and other outreach efforts. The District was allocated approximately \$2.2 million and Fullerton College should receive about \$842K of the funds. Dr. Contreras mentioned that District Services received \$500K to look for opportunities that would benefit all students in the District. Chancellor's Staff has been asked to discuss providing funds for: support programs such as DSS, Promise, EOPS, and International; digital marketing; and, instructional programs for growth. District Services is looking at texting programs to connect with students and digital marketing. There was discussion on targeting nontraditional students, providing free math and English textbooks, and retaining students at Fullerton College.

Announcements:

Aline Gregorio announced that a new climate change webinar is available on Youtube of her and other Fullerton College professors discussing newly released research on the subject. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ENXCZk4oxxY>

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: October 27, 2021