

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SUMMARY

March 7, 2023

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Superintendent's Report: SMC Superintendent/President Dr. Kathryn E. Jeffery's report included updates on numerous topics, with contributions from area leads and administrators: Spring 2023 events. Many college events and activities are planned this spring to encourage campus life on-ground for students, to name just a few: Earth Week (April 17–20), College Fair (April 25), Club Row (April 27), 93rd Commencement Ceremony (June 13), and more. View: Complete [List of Events](#) (PDF).

Enrollment Update. Highlights of the enrollment update are as follows (view the Powerpoint here: [Enrollment Update](#) (PDF)):

- Spring headcount compared to last spring is down 0.94% and credit FTES is down 2.05%
- Overall FTES decline for the 2022-23 year is currently 5.38%
- Non-resident FTES is slowly recovering, up 7.20% from last spring, and the annual increase is 3.23%

Exemplary Program Award from NCCET for 2022. The noncredit [Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health Aide programs at SMC](#) have been chosen to receive an Exemplary Program Award from National Council for Continuing Education and Training (NCCET) for 2022. NCCET is a national organization that provides professional development to those working in continuing education, and spotlights programs that are models for other community colleges. The announcement was made at the conclusion of the annual NCCET conference held in Nashville, Tennessee, March 1–3. Read more about this honor via [this March 13 press release](#).

Vaccination Clinics End at SMC. Fulgent, SMC's mobile vaccine provider, has ended its operations at the college due to lack of demand. Clinics at SMC that had been scheduled for April 6 and May 4 have been cancelled.

Consent Agenda Items: Among consent agenda items approved or ratified by the Board include the following contracts and consultants: Denise Hamilton JDH Group L (not to exceed \$28,000) to provide consultant services for coordination of Race Relay programming (Race Relay® is an interactive, theatrical, multimedia program that explores race relations in our communities); Stan McKnight & Associates Inc. (a revision of contract increasing originally approved \$44,100 to \$77,700) to conduct a comprehensive salary survey approved in July 2022 (additional services now include salary market study and peer evaluation for Academic Administrator Classification and Compensation Study); and a renewal of a three-year contract with Modo Labs which hosts and manages SMC Go, the college's app (the total 3-year contract is \$147,192).

And in grants-related items, a Learning Aligned Employment Program (LAEP) grant from the California Student Aid Commission was augmented by \$2,097,640 for fiscal year 2021-22 and by \$3,146,460 for fiscal year 2022-23. This program will allow colleges to offer eligible students the opportunity to earn money to help defray their educational costs while gaining education-aligned, career-related employment. Participating students are employed in an educationally beneficial position that relates to the student's area of study, career objective, or the exploration of career objectives. Funds will be used to pay eligible student salaries and benefits comparable to employment positions in the field of work involving comparable duties and responsibilities.

Architectural Services for Construction of SMC Tennis & Pickleball Courts on Airport Side of Bundy Campus and New Land Lease Agreement: The Board unanimously authorized the Superintendent/President to contract with a qualified architect to prepare the design and construction documents necessary to provide a minimum of four regulation tennis courts on the Santa Monica Airport side of SMC's Bundy Campus. These courts will also accommodate pickleball.

The Board also authorized the Superintendent/President to exercise an option to acquire up to 0.387 acres from the City of Santa Monica at a cost of \$130 per square foot. This property is on the west

end of the Airport side of the Bundy Campus and extends the existing campus footprint. At the board meeting, public comments about the project were read. The staff report ([beginning page 26 of the agenda \(PDF\)](#)) covers the history of the property, SMC's use of community courts after the 1992 Northridge earthquake, the popularity of pickleball in recent years, and how the proposed use of 3400 Airport Avenue for tennis and pickleball is complementary to SMC's intent to build student housing at the Bundy Campus and to meet the needs of SMC's Kinesiology and Physical Education department.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned in memory of Dr. Al Fernandez, former SMC Dean, Los Angeles Mission College President, retired Chancellor of Coast Community College District and founder of Community College Search Services (CCSS); Jerry Manpearl, a Santa Monica-based attorney and activist; and Larry Rosenzweig, longtime attorney for the Santa Monica College Faculty Association. A Special Meeting/Board of Trustees Study Session will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 in the SMC Board Room (Business Building Room), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica at 5 p.m. See agenda [here](#).

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6 p.m. (5 p.m. if there is a closed session) in the SMC Board Room (Business Building Room 117), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California. The meeting will also be conducted via Zoom Webinar for members of the public to participate remotely. The agenda is published on [smc.edu/BOT](http://smc.edu/BOT), typically the Thursday prior to the meeting.

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