



**MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD STRATEGIC CONVERSATION
SEPTEMBER 21, 2010**

MINUTES

A Governing Board Strategic Conversation of the Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board was scheduled to be held at 5:30 p.m. at the District Support Services Center, 2411 West 14th Street, Tempe, Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

PRESENT

GOVERNING BOARD

Randolph Lumm, President
Jerry Walker, Secretary
Debra Pearson, Member
ABSENT: Don Campbell, Member

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Phil Randolph for Rufus Glasper
Maria Harper-Marinick
Debra Thompson
George Kahkedjian
Anna Solley
Lee Combs
Joyce Elsner
Ernie Lara
Chris Bustamante
Linda Lujan
Jan Gehler
Velvie Green
Phil Randolph
Paul Dale
Shouan Pan:
Steve Helfgot

CALL TO ORDER The work session was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

Welcome and Overview

The work session was called to order by Governing Board President Randolph Lumm. Mr. Lumm welcomed those in attendance to this Strategic Conversation on Faculty Involvement in Policy Governance to be led by members of the Faculty Association. He stated it was good to have dialogue with members of the Faculty Association and looked forward to learning a lot from them this evening.

Presentation Synopsis

Harold Cranswick, Faculty Association President, and Eddie Genna, Faculty Association President Elect, addressed the board about the topic of shared governance. The first part of the presentation focused on exploring the possible meanings of shared governance, its relationship to

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the other academic values of academic freedom and peer review, and how we might categorize different types of activities and interactions in terms of the degree of partnership inherent in them. The presenters facilitated small group breakout sessions with the Governing Board, members of the Chancellor's Executive Council, and all members of the general audience applying the principles of shared governance to various scenarios.

The second part of the presentation explained how a new approach to the traditional Meet and Confer process would exemplify the partnership level of shared governance espoused in the first part of the presentation. This approach, known as interest-based negotiation, emphasizes joint problem solving, mutual respect, and innovative thinking as a way of resolving issues that are of concern to both parties.

The presentation concluded with a synthesis about the relationship of shared governance and interest-based negotiation to the Governing Board's emphasis on civility and policy governance. The presenters expressed the faculty's desire to work with the Governing Board and Administration to meet the challenges facing the District in the spirit of partnership.

(Note: Copy of Powerpoint Slides attached.)

Adjournment of Strategic Conversation: The work session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Jerry D. Walker
Governing Board Secretary