



CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES



Facilitators: Keith Curry/Minodora Moldoveanu
Date: February 22, 2021

Recorder: Paula VanBrown
Location: Zoom

Vision

Compton College will be the leading institution of student learning and success in higher education.

Mission Statement

Compton College is a welcoming and inclusive community where diverse students are supported to pursue and attain student success. Compton College provides solutions to challenges, utilizes the latest techniques for preparing the workforce and provides clear pathways for completion of programs of study, transition to a university, and securing living-wage employment.

Attendees:

Christine Aldrich	Amankwa McKinzie	Heather Parnock
Sheri Berger	Minodora Moldoveanu	Rachelle Sasser
Linda Coleman	Abdul Nasser	Lauren Sosenko
Keith Curry		

MINUTES

1. Review minutes from February 16, 2021

The Consultative Council reviewed the minutes from February 16, 2021 – Approved

2. President/CEO Items

A. COVID-19 UPDATE:

Dr. Keith Curry stated that he is still trying to figure things out regarding COVID-19. St. John’s is now set-up for the community to receive vaccines. This will go on indefinitely. We have 1500 doses per week - 300 to 400 doses per day and this will not impact the doses for employees. Once we're able to get the students in the tiering system, this will give our students a place to come on campus to get vaccinated.

Christine Aldrich asked, if after receiving the second vaccine, are employees still expected to be tested once a month. Dr. Curry responded, right now, yes. He said he is working on an MOU with the union, so for now they are working off the current MOU, but he feels that may change in negotiating the new MOU. Dr. Curry stated that we're still trying to understand the vaccination and testing and he thinks we need a lot more conversation about how that works.

Dr. Keith Curry commented that, “as we talk about enrollment, we have to market our safe and healthy environment. Not only do we have our own health center, but we offer COVID-19 testing and vaccinations. This is a recruitment tool. People want to be in a safe and healthy environment and we're going to maximize that because we're providing a safe and healthy environment and we want the community know that. Not only do we want our students vaccinated, we want the whole household vaccinated – Come to Compton. We have a health center. They can vaccinate you. They can vaccinate your whole family.”

Dr. Curry continued stating this is a recruitment tool. When people come to Compton College they look at the health and safety. When students come on our campus they don't have issues

with our campus police. We don't have any gang violence. We know this is a safe haven. We need to market that. Not only are you safe from violence and everything else but it's a healthy and safe environment, especially in regards to COVID-19, because a lot of colleges are not thinking about vaccinations and testing. We have to make sure that happens. Dr. Curry said he is telling all the board members right now to the schedule community meetings and all they are going to talk about is COVID-19, health and safety. We have the vaccinations; we have the testing.

Dr. Curry reported St. John's was talking about setting-up a drive-through in the next couple months. He said he wants to really think about how do we get our students and their families. Once that tier opens up, do we send a personalized letter to them about vaccinations and offer presentations, as well? We need to be offering educational opportunities in regards to the vaccine, and doing them on zoom once or twice a month for the community, as well as for our students. The number one goal now is health and safety.

Lauren Sosenko asked if letters can also be sent to students who are not currently enrolled but who might have dropped out because of COVID-19. Dr. Curry responded yes, there is money. He said he needs to talk to Heather Parnock and he thinks this is a way to really market health and safety, and we can do radio advertising.

Dr. Curry reported that someone from the L.A. Sentinel asked him to do two op-ed pieces: one about Compton College and the other about his leadership at Bishop College. The first one will be about Compton College enrollment, health and safety. He said he will talk about the stuff the college is doing to keep people safe and healthy and to keep students at Compton College. Dr. Curry said he and Heather Parnock will be meeting with Danny Bakewell and will come up with a strategy to utilize the Sentinel and the Wave. Dr. Curry stated he will also be talking to Monica Lozano, of the College Futures Foundation and a former editor of La Opinion, of how we link La Opinion with what we are doing. But it has to focus on health and safety. When we talk about radio advertising, we are talking about health and safety. That's what people want to hear. They may not want to hear about going back to school, but if you say you come to school to a healthy and safe environment – that's how it as to be marketed.

B. Update on Draft of Eventual Return to Campus Plan Status Report:

Dr. Curry stated the cabinet meet-up group is working on what the eventual return to campus might look like and hopefully, within a couple of weeks they will have the first draft ready. He said he wants to start working on how to get people's individual input with regards to the return. The whole focus right now is, he doesn't want people to say we just can't return, but we need to have conversations about what it looks like when we do return. Dr. Curry stated that his concern is people saying we can't return and that's not necessarily true. Certain areas need to come back. If people are concerned about enrollment, Enrollment Services needs to be open when we can figure out how to do that in a healthy and safe environment.

Lauren Sosenko commented that Dr. Curry mentioned surveys and asked what are the key questions he is trying to answer. Dr. Curry responded he is trying to find a way for people to provide input and have some conversations. We need to have a process for people to provide input, then take what we work on back to the Health, Safety and Parking Committee for conversation. Dr. Curry said he doesn't see a 100% return in fall. Some people say we could be 100% online, but he said he doesn't know about that either. We need to try to figure out how this looks instead of saying no, this can't happen. We need to be open to what it looks like for Compton with a healthy and safe environment, and also take into account these new facilities

and what is the right place and make sure these new facilities are set up for whatever we do.

C. Compton College Mid-Term Report:

Lauren Sosenko reported the Mid-Term Report was read and approved by the Board of Trustees at the February Board meeting, which was according to our timeline. Consultative Council reviewed the Mid-Term Report on December 7th. Now they are in the final stages of collecting the signatures for the consent and then preparing the document to be submitted to ACCJC.

Dr. Curry reported that he talked with Amankwa McKinzie and he wants to give his people a little bit of time to make sure they have all seen it before he signs off. The Mid-Term Report has already gone through the consultative process. Amankwa McKinzie responded that he will talk with his team and get back to Dr. Curry today.

3. Spring Enrollment Update:

Sheri Berger reported that enrollment (this information is included in today's agenda package – Spring 2021 Enrollment Snapshot) is down around 20%. And is down 26.4% in terms of seat fill; our FTES is down 26.1%, compared to this same time last spring, which was not in COVID. This number can change; hopefully, it goes up more. We can try to get students to enroll. Dr. Jimenez recently sent out text messages to over 3000 students who are enrolled encouraging them to take another class. They are also reaching out to students who applied for spring but didn't come and enroll. They are trying all different kinds of outreach efforts to try and reach out to students. Sheri Berger is providing Dr. Jimenez with a list of classes that are open and he's going to look to see if there are students who maybe weren't successful in fall in those classes and encourage them to come in spring and try again.

Sheri Berger stated it's not just a matter of enrollment. These are efforts to keep students in school that maybe were not successful in fall. This a great way to help them maybe make progress, rather than just walk away. All of these things are just ways to reach our community and help our students continue to make progress and make them aware of opportunities that they have. Students have to be informed and not all students know all of the information. Dr. Jimenez and his team are doing what they can. Heather Parnock, through her efforts of marketing, sent out postcards for spring and will be doing another postcard campaign for the second eight-week session. We've had billboards, social media ads and all sorts of activities happening. We've posted things on our website. We've posted things in canvas. It's just a matter of continuing to get the information out to the groups who we really need to target and enroll.

4. Facilities Update:

Linda Owens, Chief Facilities Officer, reported on Compton Community College District Construction Projects. Her report is contained in today's agenda package (Compton College and Compton Community College District Construction Projects) and included updates on the following projects:

- I. Student Services Building – BOND/STATE – BOND
- II. Administration Building Renovation – BOND
- III. Vocational Technology Building Renovation – BOND
- IV. MIS/Math Science Building Renovation – BOND
- V. Child Development Center – BOND
- VI. Instructional Building #1 – BOND/STATE
- VII. Instructional Building #2 – BOND/STATE
- VIII. P.E. Complex Replacement – BOND/STATE

IX. Visual and Performing Arts – STATE

5. 2021 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

Dr. Curry included the updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations Review Schedule in today's packet.

6. Thinking Out of the Box

No items suggested.

7. Other Items

Dr. Curry mentioned that he will not be at the next meeting and will be facilitated by Sheri Berger. Dr. Curry also mentioned he will have his Tartar Talks tomorrow and will send out the link for zoom access today.

8. Future Agenda Items

- A. Five-Year Fiscal Management Plan
- B. Campus Committees

**The next Consultative Council meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2021
at 2:00 p.m. via ZOOM**