

**SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE FOUNDATION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, September 23, 2014 ♦ 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**  
**LOCATION: BUILDING 210, ROOM 214**

**Present:** Melyn Acasio, Kimberly Grady, Melinda Nish, Ben Green, Linda Gilstrap, Hank Murphy, Mitch Thompson, Patti Finnegan, Holly Hiding, Ruben Garcia, Cynthia Reyna, Jesse Navarro (arrived at 7:45), Chayo Moreno (arrived at 7:50), and Vanessa Coffeen McEvoy (arrived at 7:59).

The following directors departed at times indicated: Melinda Nish at 8:30, Melyn Acasio at 8:43, and Ruben Garcia at 8:46.

**Absent:** Jean Roesch, Joe Martinez, Ricardo Macedo, David Hoffman, Lorena Victoria, and Nora Vargas.

**Recorder:** Dawn Perez

**1. WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER – Ben Green**

President Green called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ACTION (Enclosure) – Ben Green**

A. Motion made by Ruben Garcia, seconded by Kimberly Grady and unanimously approved to accept the minutes for May 24, 2014.

**3. TREASURERS REPORT – (Enclosure) – Cynthia Reyna**

A. Cynthia Reyna presented the Financial Report for May, June, July and August 2014.

**4. REQUEST FOR FUNDS – ACTION – (ENCLOSURE) – Ben Green/Hank Murphy**

Motion made by Mitch Thompson, seconded by Cynthia Reyna and unanimously approved to increase funding for fall semester Request for Funds by \$3,600.

A. The following Student/College Activities Request for Funds projects were approved at the amount indicated:

- School of Arts & Communication/SWC Sun Newspaper Journalism Association of Community Colleges (JACC) Conference. Motion made by Holly Hiding, seconded by Patti Finnegan and unanimously approved to fund at \$6,000.
- School of Arts & Communication/Unsung Heroes Project. Motion made by Melyn Acasio, seconded by Holly Hiding and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,000.
- School of Language & Literature/VAMP Showcase Project. Motion made by Holly Hiding, seconded by Ruben Garcia and unanimously approved to fund at \$750.
- School of Language & Literature/CLIFF International Film Festival Project. Motion made by Holly Hiding, seconded by Vanessa Coffeen McEvoy and unanimously approved to fund at \$300.
- School of Language & Literature/Guest Writers Series. Motion made by Holly Hiding, seconded by Melyn Acasio, and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,750.
- SWC Architecture Club/University Tour. Motion made by Patti Finnegan, seconded by Holly Hiding and unanimously approved to fund at \$500.
- SWC Architecture Club/Design Village Competition. Motion made by Patti Finnegan, seconded by Ruben Garcia and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,000.
- SWC African American Alliance/Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast. Motion made by Ruben Garcia, seconded by Patti Finnegan and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,000.
- School of Arts & Communication/Dance Company. Motion made by Patti Finnegan, seconded by Melyn Acasio and unanimously approved to fund at \$300.
- School of Arts & Communication/Art Gallery Speaker Series & Programming. Motion made by Patti Finnegan, seconded by Ruben Garcia and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,000.
- School of Counseling & Personal Development/Puente University Visitation. Motion made by Patti Finnegan, seconded by Hank Murphy and unanimously approved to fund at \$4,500.
- SWC Chicano Latino Coalition/Cesar Chavez Breakfast. Motion made by Ruben Garcia, seconded by Mitch Thompson and unanimously approved to fund at \$1,000.

- School of HESAAT/Lumberman Student Design. Motion made by Chayo Moreno, seconded by Holly Hiding and unanimously approved to fund at \$300.
- School of Arts & Communication/CAALI Conference. Motion made by Holly Hiding, seconded by Patti Finnegan and approved with a vote of 11 y and one n to fund at \$500 with the stipulation that reasonable information be provided that the event will take place and the \$500 that was approved in funding for a similar project last academic year that did not happen be returned to SWC Foundation.

The following Student/College Activities Request for Funds projects were not approved for funding at this time:

- School of Math, Science & Engineering/DNA Maternal Ancestry Analysis
- School of Math, Science & Engineering/STEM Tutoring
- Staff Development/Spring '15 Opening Day Keynote Speaker

## 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Ben Green

### A. Fundraising Committee

#### 1. Golf Tournament – Patti Finnegan

Patti suggests that we vote at the October meeting whether to hold the next golf tournament on the first Wednesday or first Friday of May 2015. She also believes that she has a commitment from Ball Motor Group for a hole-in-one sponsorship.

#### 2. Afternoon Tea, Westgate Hotel, November 14, 2014 – Melyn Acasio/Mitch Thompson

Printed materials passed out to directors for their use in fundraising efforts. An estimated budget was also handed out. Linda Gilstrap provided a summary of the event to date.

### B. Executive Committee – Ben Green

- Annual Meeting is October 28, 2014
  - Officer nominations
    - ✓ President
    - ✓ Vice President
    - ✓ Secretary
    - ✓ Treasurer
  - Elections will take place at Annual Meeting
- Ethics/Conflict of Interest Annual Reaffirmation

## 5. GOVERNING BOARD REPORT – Nora Vargas, SWC Governing Board Trustee

No report given

## 6. SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT REPORT – Melinda Nish, Ed.D.

No report given

## 7. ADJOURNMENT – Ben Green

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.