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Minutes of the MCCC Board of Directors Electronic Meeting via Zoom May 7, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. APPROVED 6.9.2021

Present: President Margaret Wong, Vice President Rosemarie Freeland, Treasurer Chip Bradford, Secretary Ellen Pratt, and Members at-Large: Claudine Barnes, Brian Falter, and Candace Shivers. Guests: Don Williams (Communications Coordinator), Thomas Smith, Renae Gorman, Mark Linde, Bret Seferian, Tyler Rocco-Chaffee, Colleen Fitzgerald, Matthew Jones (MTA Legal).

Called to order at 10:33 a.m.
Adoption of the Order of Business without objection
Approval of April 2, 2021 Minutes (Shivers/Falter). Passed.

Summer stipends for Day and DCE committee members
Treasurer Bradford confirmed there is money in the budget for bargaining/negotiating team member stipends (\$1200).

Motion: Add this topic to the Board of Directors meeting agenda on June 16, 2021. (Pratt/Freeland)
Passed.

STCC Litigation - Guest: Matt Jones
Matt Jones provided background and actions related to the STCC litigation. Although Jones believes the claims have merit, he does not see a lawsuit as a mechanism for resolution or to solve the problem. Renee Gorman and Tom Smith represented the interest of the STCC chapter. [June BOD agenda item]

COVID vaccination for fall semester
President Wong initiated a discussion and possible impact of the Community College Presidents announcement they would not be mandating vaccines.

Motion: The Executive Committee recommends the Board of Directors take no position on the COVID-19 vaccine. (Pratt/Shivers) Passed.

Bret Seferian will ask about the MCCC's obligation to the health and safety of members when mandating/not mandating the COVID vaccine and obligation to bring the vaccine into impact bargaining. [June BOD agenda item]

May Board Special Meeting
President Wong scheduled meeting for May 21-2021, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Per the DA motion, the agenda for the meeting is limited to the MCCC's request for mediation with the MTA.

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Motion to enter Executive Session. Passed.
Exited Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Submitted by Ellen Pratt, MCCC Secretary