

LWVGE Board Observers Report

COD Board of Trustees Meeting Oct. 28, 2010 7 PM SRC 2052

In attendance: All board members, COD president, 15 members of the public and two COD police officers.

Presentation: The report of the FY 2010 audit was given by Christine Flores (?) who noted that the financial reports, grant compliance and A133 (internal controls over grants met the necessary criteria to be described as “unqualified”. In other words, the audit showed COD’s finances were in order.

President’s Report: At President Breuder’s request Joe Moore, AVP External Relations, reported on Phase III of the COD referendum effort. Phase I was a poll taken in March and again in August. Phase II was the “Listening Tour” during the summer. Phase III consisted of students, faculty and staff doing outreach to the community to explain the need for the referendum. This was a “purely educational” effort using mailings, door hangers, newspaper inserts and radio ads.

Employee Comments: Keri Gray noted that COD needs to sustain and increase quality.

Citizens Comments: Carl Weber, who described himself as a community member and teacher of music and linguistics, expressed concern about a review done by the COD President’s office of a student exchange program with Syria. Mr. Weber had received an e-mail notice offering such a program and referred it to the president’s office because Syria is a country on the US State Department’s “no go” list. Mr. Weber was later advised that the program had been investigated and there was “no issue” with it. He requested a copy of the review but has not received it. Mr. Weber’s time expired, he turned to a young man in the audience and asked if he had “gotten the photo”. He continued talking as he returned to his seat while both COD security officers accompanied him.

Consent Agenda: All items on the consent agenda were approved.

New Business: Items 10 B 1 through 5 were all approved. Regarding Item 10 B 3 Trustee Savage asked how the college determined which newspapers to use for publication of the notices regarding nominating petitions for the Board of Trustees. She was advised the Suburban Life papers were selected because of their wide distribution.

Before addressing Item 10 B 6 Board President Wessel called for a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel/employee matters. She then announced that the board would return to open session after the closed session to address the last item of new business, Item 10 b 6 Insurance Claims Agreement. The board then voted to go into closed session. The regular meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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