Board of Trustees Present: Abe Rojas, Anne DeMartini, Darin Gharat, Jon Rodriguez

Others Present: Henry Yong, Angela Fairchilds, Jill Stearns, Gina Leguria, Teresa Scott, Graciela Molina (recorder)

1. OPEN SESSION AGENDA

1.1 Call to Order
Board Chair DeMartini called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

1.2 Public Comments
There were no comments from the public.

2. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

2.1 Pursuant to G.C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators Employee Organizations: YFA

Present at 11:10 a.m.
Board of Trustees Present: Abe Rojas, Anne DeMartini, Darin Gharat, Jon Rodriguez, Leslie Beggs

Others Present: Henry Yong, Angela Fairchilds, Jill Stearns, Gina Leguria, Teresa Scott, Coni Chavez, Geri Wend, Graciela Molina (recorder)

3. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

3.1 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
The Pledge of Allegiance preceded formal Board action.

3.2 Public Comments
There were no comments from the public.

4. DISCUSSION

4.1 Board Special Priorities
The Board reviewed their 2016-2017 Special Priorities and suggested priorities from their July 31st Study Session discussion in efforts to identify Board Special Priorities for 2017-2018. After review and discussion it was determined that the Board met their 2016-2017 priorities that addressed maintaining a general fund reserve at a minimum of 10% on general fund unrestricted expenditure budgets, as well as encouraging participation of faculty in college graduations with assistance from the Board Faculty Consultant. The 2017-2018 Board Special Priorities finalized at the Study Session were as follows:

1. Develop General Fund reserve criteria which will provide stability to the District when faced with unforeseen State or Local funding shortfalls such as significant dollar increases in PERS and STRS contributions.
2. Increase and maintain existing partnerships with K-12 partners, higher education institutions, and the business community to promote and support community college outreach efforts through our chancellor, presidents and the Board.
3. Continue to make campus safety a priority through support of funding and improving safety conditions on campus.
4. To work to create an institutional culture in which everyone treats others as they would wish to be treated so as to foster a positive educational environment.

In addition, the Board expressed interest in continuing discussion on the effects of student parking and via the negotiations process discuss faculty sabbaticals. Trustees Gharat and Rojas commended Modesto Junior College for the great kick-off to the semester on Friday, August 25, during Institute Day.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURNMENT
5.1 The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on September 13, 2017. Closed Session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and Open Session at 5:30 p.m. in the Yosemite Community College District Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, California.

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Anne DeMartini, Board Chair
YCCD Board of Trustees

Henry Yong, Ed.S., Board Secretary
YCCD Board of Trustees

Approved September 13, 2017