Members Present: Ms. Angela Acosta-Salazar (Presiding), Ms. Maria Elena Martinez, Mr. Garry Couso-Vasquez, Mr. André Quintero, Mr. Gary Mendez, Mr. Ramon Quintero, (Student Trustee)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Members: Dr. Rose Marie Joyce, President, Ms. Teresa Dreyfuss, VP, Business and Finance, Mr. Henry Gee, VP Student and Community Services, Dr. Marilyn Brock, VP, Academic Services, Dr. Steven Lohr, Director, Facilities Services, Ms. Carolyn Russell (President, Academic Senate), Mr. Jim Newman (President, RHCFA), Mr. Greg Garza, (Representing CSEA), Ms. Sandy Sandello (Recorder)

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Call to Order

Ms. Acosta-Salazar called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Ramon Quintero led the pledge of allegiance.

C. Roll Call

Ms. Martinez arrived at 6:36 p.m.

D. Open Communication for Public Comment

No public comments were made.

E. Annual Organization Meeting/Election of Officers

This item was moved out of order after the action agenda.
II. ACTION ITEMS

A. FINANCE & BUSINESS

1. Approval of Applied Technology Furniture Planning & Design Services – Edson Design

   226. It was moved by Mr. Mendez, seconded by Mr. A. Quintero and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve Edson Design for Applied Technology Furniture Planning & Design Services with a contract sum not to exceed $18,000 from Bond Funds.

2. Reprographic Services – Request For Proposal (RFP)

   227. It was moved by Mr. Couso-Vasquez, seconded by Mr. R. Quintero and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees authorized the Administration to negotiate contracts with Ford Reprographics and Blair Graphics: the sum of both contracts will not exceed $75,000 for the period of December 7, 2006 to December 31, 2009.

3. Inspection and Testing Services

   228. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approved inspection and testing services outlined of Kal Krishran Consulting Services, Gateway Science & Engineering, Universal Laboratories, RMA Group, Converse Consultants and Twinning Labs. With a total not to exceed amount of $1,860,000 from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2009 from state and bond funds.

4. Approval of Design Services for Programming of the Physical Education Complex – LPA

   229. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. R. Quintero and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve LPA to provide design services for programming of the Physical Education Complex, for the not to exceed amount of $49,460 from Bond Funds.

5. Building Program Legal Consulting Services

   230. It was moved by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and seconded by Mr. A. Quintero and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve Rio Hondo College’s building program legal firms as outlined.

      Many of the building projects at Rio Hondo College are commencing the construction phases starting January 2007. It is necessary to obtain additional legal firms to support the increasing needs of the building program. Several firms were contacted to submit their proposal. We received proposals from two firms; Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin and
Gibbs, Giden, Locher & Turner, LLP. After reviewing the proposals and interviewing both firms, the administration recommends the legal firms of Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin and Gibbs, Giden, Locher & Turner LLP as additional building program legal consultants. Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin rates are: Partners $200 to $225 an hour, and Associates $165 to $175 an hour. Gibbs, Giden, Locher & Turner, LLP’s rates are: Partners $200 to $225 an hour, and Associates $165 to $185 an hour.

In addition to the above mentioned two firms, the Board previously approved Orbach, Huff & Suarez, LLP and Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Rund & Romo as building program legal firms. College administration can utilize any of the above mentioned firms on an as needed basis.

Ms. Martinez arrived at this point of the meeting.

B. PRESIDENT’S OFFICE

1. Appointment to Community Representatives to Presidential Search Committee

   231. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Ms. Martinez and carried, that the Board of Trustees approve Mr. Norbert Genis and Mrs. Ruth Gonzales to serve as the community representatives on the Presidential Search Committee. Mr. Mendez voted no.

E. Annual Organization Meeting/Election of Officers

   Ms. Acosta-Salazar called the Annual Organization meeting to order and called for nominations for the President of the Board of Trustees.

   It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar and seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez, to nominate Ms. Martinez as President of the Board.

   1. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously, to close the nominations for the Office of President of the Board.

   The election was held and the recorder was instructed to cast a ballot for the new President of the Board, Ms. Martinez.

   Mr. Mendez stepped out at this point of the meeting.

   Ms. Martinez assumed the chairmanship of the meeting and called for nominations for Vice President of the Board of Trustees.

   It was moved by Mr. Couso-Vasquez, seconded by Mr. A. Quintero, to nominate Ms. Acosta-Salazar as Vice President of the Board.

   2. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously, to close the nominations for the Office of Vice-President of the Board.
The election was held and the recorder was instructed to cast a ballot for the Vice President of the Board, Ms. Acosta-Salazar.

Ms. Martinez called for nominations for Clerk of the Board of Trustees. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, to nominate Mr. Couso-Vasquez for the Office of Clerk of the Board.

3. It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, seconded by Mr. A. Quintero and carried unanimously, to close the nominations for the Office of Clerk of the Board.

The election was held and the recorder was instructed to cast a ballot for the Clerk of the Board, Mr. Couso-Vasquez.

In accordance with Board Policy 2210, the Superintendent/President, shall serve as Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Ms. Martinez called for nominations to elect a member as the representative to the Los Angeles County School District Organization.

4. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously to nominate Mr. Mendez as the representative to the Los Angeles County School District Organization.

Ms. Martinez presented Ms. Acosta-Salazar with a plaque and thanked her for her leadership as President of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Mendez returned at this point of the meeting.

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. 2005-06 Enrollment Report/Financial Impact
2. Board Self-Evaluation Process
3. Building Program

IV. CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Martinez recessed the meeting to closed session at 7:42 p.m.

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8:

- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - Properties:
  - 3017 Tyler Avenue, El Monte, California
  - 11515 South Colima Road, Whittier, California

No action was taken on this item.
(Pursuant to Section 54957:)

- **Discipline, Dismissal Release**
  
  No action taken on this item.

- **Public Employee Appointment**
  - **Superintendent/President**
    
    No action taken on this item.
  
    - **Dance Instructor**

5. It was moved by Mr. A. Quintero, seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve the employment of Alyson Cartagena as Dance/Yoga/Pilates Instructor.

- **Public Employee Performance Evaluation**
  - **Superintendent/President**
    
    No action taken on this item.

(Pursuant to Section 54957.6)

- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**
  
  Agency Negotiator: Rose Marie Joyce
  
  Employee Organizations: CSEA

  No action taken on this item.

IV. **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Martinez reconvened the meeting at 7:40 p.m. from Closed Session and adjourned the meeting in the memory of Mr. John Hahn, retired Faculty Member. The date of next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 20, 2006, 6:00 p.m., Rio Hondo College, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90608