Members Present: Mr. Gary Mendez (Presiding), Ms. Angela Acosta-Salazar, Mr. Garry Couso-Vasquez, Ms. Maria Elena Martinez (arrived at 8:03 p.m.), Mr. André Quintero

Members Absent: Ms. Denice Gunn (Student Trustee)

Staff Members: Dr. Rose Marie Joyce, President, Dr. Voiza Arnold, VP, Academic Services, Ms. Teresa Dreyfuss, VP, Business and Finance, Mr. Henry Gee, VP Student and Community Services, Dr. Andy Howard, Ex. Director, Planning & Development, Ms. Carolyn Russell (President, Academic Senate), Mr. Jim Newman (Representing, RHCFA), Ms. Sandra Rivera, (President, CSEA), Ms. Sandy Sandello (Recorder)

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Call to Order

Mr. Mendez called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Greg Garza led the pledge of allegiance.

C. Roll Call

Ms. Denice Gunn was reported absent.

D. Open Communication for Public Comment

No public comments were made.
II. ACTION ITEMS

A. BUILDING PROGRAM / FINANCE AND BUSINESS

1. **Resolution to Exempt Applied Technology Building from California Environmental Quality Act Review**

   It was moved by Mr. Couso-Vasquez, seconded by Ms. Acosta-Salazar and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve and execute the resolution of the Applied Technology Building Project conforming to the California Environmental Quality Act in that Sections 15302 and 15314 of the Act exempts the Applied Technology Building Reconstruction Final Project Proposal from CEQA review.

2. **Authorization to Negotiate Purchase of Bus Passes from Transit Agencies**

   It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, seconded by Mr. Mendez and carried, that the Board of Trustees authorize staff to begin negotiations with the Metropolitan Transit Agency, Norwalk Transit, Foothill Transit and Montebello Transit for discounted bus passes for Rio Hondo College full-time students for the 2006-07 academic year. Mr. Couso-Vasquez abstained.

3. **Maintenance Facilities Project (Phase 1) – Design Services**

   It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve Martinez Architects to provide design services for the Maintenance Facilities Project (Phase 1) for a not to exceed amount of $75,000 from Bond Funds.

4. **Existing Library Remodel Project – Feasibility Study**

   It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried unanimously, that the Board of Trustees approve LPA, Inc. to perform a feasibility study for a not to exceed amount of $15,000 from Bond Funds.

5. **Revenue Agreement**

   It was moved by Ms. Acosta-Salazar, seconded by Mr. Couso-Vasquez and carried that the Board of Trustees approve the Revenue Agreement with West Virginia University and authorize the Administration to execute contracts on behalf of the District.
III. INFORMATION ITEMS
1. Building Program Update
   a) Landscape
   b) Facilities Master Plan
   c) Architectural Guidelines
   d) EIR
   e) Phasing Plan (Includes Parking)

2. Board Goals

Ms. Martinez arrived at this point of the meeting.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Mendez recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 8:06 p.m. The
meeting was reconvened at 9:40 p.m. and the following action was reported out
of Closed Session.

(Pursuant to Section 54957)

• PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

87. The Board took action by a vote of 5 to 0 to release and reassign the
Executive Vice President at her request, to a faculty position effective July 1,
2006, and to approve a settlement agreement authorizing such release and
reassignment.

• PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
  o Superintendent/President

• PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
  o Anthropology Instructor

No action was taken on these items.

  o Mathematics Instructor

88. It was moved by Mr. Couso-Vasquez, seconded by Mr. Quintero
and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees direct the
President to take the appropriate action to employ Matthew Pitassi as
a Mathematics Instructor.

  o Political Science Instructor

No action taken on this item.

  o Manager, Mechanical & Electrical Services

No action taken on this item.
(Pursuant to Section 54957.6)

- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**
  
  Agency Negotiator: Rose Marie Joyce
  
  Employee Organizations: CSEA, RHCFA, Management/Confidential

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Mendez adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m. The date of Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 19, 2006, 6:00 p.m.; Board Room, Administration Building, Rio Hondo College.

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President                          Date       Clerk                          Date
RESOLUTION NO. II.A.1

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
RIO HONDO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
THAT THE APPLIED TECHNOLOGY BUILDING RECONSTRUCTION FINAL
PROJECT PROPOSAL
CONFORMA TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (“CEQA”)

BACKGROUND:
The District is currently in the process of submitting a request to the California Community College Chancellors for capital construction funding for the Applied Technology Building Reconstruction. Pursuant to CEQA Sections 15302 and 15314, this project is “structures that will have substantially the same purpose and capacity of the structure replaced and will not increase the original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, which ever is less.”

RESOLUTION:
Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Rio Hondo Community College District hereby conforms to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and in accordance with Sections 15302 and 15314 of the Act exempts the Applied Technology Building Reconstruction Final Project Proposal from CEQA review. Staff is hereby directed to file appropriate notice with the OPR-State Clearinghouse regarding this project.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Rio Hondo Community College District this 5th day of April 2006 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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President of the Board of Trustees
Rio Hondo Community College District

ATTEST:

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees
Rio Hondo Community College District