Dear Members of the Board:

Welcome to the October 19, 2009, Board packet.

Although we have had an unusually long time between Board meetings, this is a relatively routine agenda.

The Student and Community Advancement section includes three student expulsions. A confidential memo regarding this issue is enclosed. An item has also been included on the Closed Session agenda if members of the Board would like to discuss this matter.

The Administrative Services section requests approval to enter into an agreement with Bovis Land Lease to provide construction management services to implement the Facilities Master Plan and other state capital projects. A ten-member selection committee was formed and a request for proposal was advertised appropriately. Four firms were subsequently invited for oral interviews and presentations. After careful review and evaluation, the committee recommended to the Vice President, Administrative Services, entering an agreement with Bovis Land Lease.

The Administrative Services, Measure E, bid rejection for the demolition and restroom accessibility will not significantly effect the timeline for either project. Administrative Services, Measure E, also presents routine change orders for Phase 3 of the Infrastructure Project and the Bookstore Renovation.

The Board of Trustees Evaluation process starts with review of your 2008-2009 Goals which are presented for review. A separate copy of the Self-Evaluation form is enclosed with this packet along with a self-addressed envelop for return to the President’s Office. We will tally votes to include on the November Board agenda. Suggested goals for 2009-2010 are included as the last page on the agenda and it would be appropriate for you to suggest any additions or changes you would like to include.

Closed Session also includes the Superintendent/President’s evaluation.

The Follow-Up Report to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, October 15, 2009, has been posted to the web site under Administration, Academic Affairs, Accreditation.
The following items are enclosed for your perusal:

1. Memo from Alice Grigsby explaining the reference Mr. Hayes’ made at the September Board meeting regarding free copies;

2. Letter from Yilin Hsu Wentlandt, October 8, 2009, regarding services in the Fine Arts Division;


Board President Jackson is recuperating and requests privacy and prayers. He will let us know when he returns home.

Thank you so much for your participation in the Osher Scholarship event.

I trust you are busily readying your costume for October 31st, and that it will earn all the treats you can possibly enjoy. In the meantime, please let Kathy or me know if you have any questions, comments or concerns. I look forward to seeing you in my office at 3 p.m. prior to the 4 p.m. Board meeting.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Thomas M. Fallo
Superintendent/President

Cc: Vice Presidents
    Provost
    Director of Community Relations
From: Grigsby, Alice
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2009 8:07 AM
To: Bonura, Rocky
Cc: Arce, Francisco
Subject: RE: Question

Rocky,

There are no free copy machines in the Library for students. On Monday of last week, the first day of school, QCI (our new vendor) was working hard to get the copiers up and running. In an effort to create good will, during a very difficult and trying time of extremely long lines of students copying chapters from their textbooks, they allowed students in the AM to print without cost. This was a one-time situation.

The company has started out with a can do/will do attitude. Our timelines slipped because ITS was unable to respond in a timely way so QCI is still here on a daily basis. Progress is being made and we expect to be fully operational by the end of this week. We are introducing a new concept where students place money on their account using their MYECC id and passwords as logons. They can then execute photocopying or printing as long as their account holds money. The cost continues to be .10 a copy.

Alice Grigsby

*Probably more than you wanted to know. However, this explains the possible situation that the student was referring to.***
October 8, 2009

Ms. Constance Fitzsimons, Dean of Fine Arts
Music Building, Room 101
El Camino College
16007 Crenshaw Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90506

Greetings Dean Fitzsimons:

My name is Yilin Hsu Wentlandt (enrolled in El Camino as Yilin Hsu), and I am a new music major as of this fall semester. Being a lifetime music lover, singer, and El Camino Student, I have enjoyed the performances and classes made available by the music department, particularly the Opera Workshop. I attended their Spring 2009 performance and thoroughly enjoyed it. Moreover, I really appreciate the benefit of exposure to the world's standard opera repertoire we students have on campus. I am writing to voice my support for this class as the school and department are forced to make reductions in course offerings.

Second, I would like to also communicate the undeniable benefit of the continued operation of the Music Library here in our Fine Arts building as well as the Master Classes. (Perhaps this should also be in a letter to the President and Board of Trustees!) Both of these resources are invaluable in helping students work at as high a level as possible as we strive to reach the level of university training prior to transfer. Though I cannot know myself all the factors considered when making these difficult decisions to reduce resources, I strongly urge the department's adamant refusal to let go of these precious tools of education and development.

If you should like to contact me regarding this letter, please feel free to do so by telephone at (310) 591-7332 or by email at Yilin_Hsu@alum.pomona.edu.

Respectfully,

Yilin Hsu Wentlandt
Member
El Camino College Society of Music
Dr. Rodriguez,

It was a pleasure and an honor to represent Industry & Technology for El Camino College at the memorial services of our fallen brothers at Dodger Stadium on September 12th. As you know the fire service requires the total support of everyone involved. Our representation could not have been accomplished without Chief Mays organizing Fulltime Class 124 to act as ushers and making sure that El Camino’s parade engine was ready to go. I noticed that El Camino College Fire Academy was the only engine company at the services. I met briefly at the stadium with Class 124 and made sure that they conducted themselves in a manner that would make us all proud.

The special effort that Mentor Director Tim Dennis made in assigning eight mentors to accompany Jim Ellingson and myself also made the day special for the mentors. The true meaning of the fire service was shown that day.

I am including the names of the eight mentors and copies of the one page report that was assigned to Class 124 on their individual feelings about the day. On those occasions that you feel the pressure of being our Dean, I hope that you will read this report and those of Class 124 and it will bring a smile to your face.

Respectfully,
George Karnazes

Mentors:
Brian Futimoto
Nick Temple
Eric Jark
Romeo Richardson
Tim Flora
Scott Cornell
Andrew Behrens
Mike Davies

CC: B d.