

1 11-07-18 Cerritos BOT  
2 >> President Lewis: Good  
3 evening everyone and welcome to  
4 the board meeting for  
5 November 7. Thank you.  
6 November 7, 2018. Tonight we  
7 start with an invocation done by  
8 our very own Dr. Fierro.  
9 >> Thank you Trustee Lewis.  
10 Thank you Andrea. I would like  
11 to actually there are a couple  
12 of things about Dr. Michaels who  
13 recently passed and then for a  
14 minute of silence in his honor  
15 so I think many of us had the  
16 opportunity to interact with  
17 Dr. Michaels and in a number of  
18 capacities and I was fortunate  
19 enough to had a number of  
20 conversations with him, and he  
21 was always very generous with  
22 his experience and advice, and  
23 ways of seen the world. I think  
24 when we think about Falcon we

25 think about Dr. Michaels. I

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1 think he was truly committed to  
2 this institution and his  
3 commitment was a lifetime  
4 commitment. I think he worked  
5 just as much for Cerritos  
6 College after he was retired and  
7 when he was on campus so all and  
8 all he is an example for all of  
9 us to follow, and an example of  
10 commitment and dedication to the  
11 community, so I would like to  
12 ask us for a moment silence in  
13 his honor. Thank you.  
14 >> President Lewis: Thank you  
15 Dr. Fierro. Next our Pledge of  
16 Allegiance will be done by  
17 Trustee Board Member  
18 Camacho-Rodriguez.  
19 >> I pledge allegiance to the  
20 flag to the United States of  
21 America and to the Republic for  
22 which it stands, one nation  
23 under God, indivisible, with

24 liberty and justice for all.

25 >> President Lewis: Thank

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1 you. Roll call please.

2 >> Board President Zurich

3 Lewis.

4 >> Here.

5 >> Vice President Shin Liu.

6 >> Here.

7 >> Board Clerk Martha

8 Camacho-Rodriguez.

9 >> Present.

10 >> Member Carmen Avalos is

11 absent. Member James Cody

12 Birkey is absent. Member Marisa

13 Perez.

14 >> Present.

15 >> Member Sandra Salazar is

16 absent. Student Trustee Phil

17 Herrera.

18 >> Present

19 >> And President Superintendent

20 Fierro.

21 >> Here.

22 >> President Lewis: Okay, we  
23 have a quorum and is there a  
24 member that would like to  
25 rearrange the agenda? Seeing

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1 none we will go to comments from  
2 the audience and we have one on  
3 the new presentation for college  
4 broadcasting awards, there you  
5 go.

6 >> Thank you President, and  
7 Dr. Fierro and members of the  
8 board and everyone else here.  
9 For those that don't know --  
10 almost all of you know I'm the  
11 adviser of the college radio  
12 station, the best community  
13 college station in America.

14 [Applause]

15 >> Thank you. That is not a  
16 brag, that is an award we won  
17 and this the time of year we  
18 have to get our submissions  
19 together for this is our award  
20 season so I put together awards

21 for this year and quite proud of  
22 them and as I was doing they was  
23 thinking folks particularly  
24 heard me talk about the radio  
25 station and brag about the radio

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1 station and sell it to you but I  
2 don't know that you heard what  
3 we do. I hope that you listen  
4 sometimes but maybe I don't know  
5 if you listen to the whole  
6 spectrum of things, and what I  
7 did tonight -- you are probably  
8 that I come here never empty  
9 handed. I put together a packet  
10 with our CD, our 48 minute  
11 presentation of the radio  
12 station. Phil, can I ask you to  
13 pass these down? Somebody must  
14 have told everybody I was coming  
15 because the room is empty.  
16 [Laughter]  
17 >> And I ask you to listen to  
18 the CD. If you don't have a CD

19 player or don't listen to them  
20 anymore let me know. I will  
21 send you the file but I think  
22 will be impressed with that and  
23 we're allowed to send five  
24 pieces of documentation and  
25 three are in there. The ones

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1 that I didn't include are the  
2 Press Telegram article that Dr.  
3 Fierro showed you when we got  
4 that a few months ago and the  
5 proclamation from you folks and  
6 I want to thank Dr. Fierro for  
7 carrying the ball and all of you  
8 voting to do that and if we're  
9 blessed to get any kind of  
10 recognition this year you're  
11 part of that and I included  
12 something we submitted for  
13 another award, best schedule,  
14 which shows the programs and the  
15 schedule on the radio and a  
16 description and shows how  
17 diverse our programming S I

18 hesitate to say this but I guess  
19 I am saying it anyway we're  
20 wouldn't do what we did frankly  
21 if we were part of an academic  
22 program. I think we serve the  
23 college better as a student  
24 activity and that is tough to  
25 say because I am a freakin

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1 educator, at least I proport to  
2 be. Phil is one of my students  
3 and he can tell you whether  
4 that's true about if we were an  
5 academic program we would be  
6 obligated to teach student what  
7 is they do now and what you will  
8 hear on the CD and the best in  
9 the country. I'm not going to  
10 go in-depth in this but the  
11 people in the industry  
12 understand the best. CBS for  
13 years of the second biggest  
14 radio station in the country and  
15 at one point owned 600 and today

16 they own none. They sold off  
17 all the stations and big media  
18 is the biggest and own 620.  
19 They're \$20 billion in debt,  
20 \$20 billion in debt with a "B."  
21 they're \$10 billion that's a  
22 recent change. They haven't  
23 paid off the other ten but  
24 renegotiated the debt so other  
25 people own that and eventually

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1 will own the entire company, and  
2 I just think that what we do is  
3 so unique as we do it that I am  
4 proud that we're doing what we  
5 do and a lot of the stuff that  
6 we do besides the prospecting  
7 and everything that we do on  
8 that disk. I think you will see  
9 what I mean. The award -- I  
10 will tell you about the disk. I  
11 make you no promises. Dr.  
12 Fierro keeps talk how persistent  
13 I am. I can't guarantee that  
14 we'll get a nomination or a win



15 this year. I think the  
16 presentation is stronger than  
17 last year but there are  
18 literally no criteria for  
19 winning award for IBS. They  
20 have none. It's like falling in  
21 love. You just meet and it  
22 happens for whatever reason and  
23 so I can tell you we're going to  
24 do well but tell you -- again  
25 it's a great I think it's a

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1 really great presentation.  
2 Honestly represents what comes  
3 out of our speakers and if we  
4 get a nomination. We won't know  
5 if we win until January but if  
6 we get nominations -- I expect  
7 us to. They get announced on  
8 the December 12. That's a  
9 Wednesday night. I don't know.  
10 Is there a meeting that night?  
11 >> [INAUDIBLE].  
12 >> 12th of December, finals

13 week.

14 >> Dr. Fierro: Yes.

15 >> If that happens and we get

16 nominations I will be back to

17 give you the good news and if

18 not you won't see me. I will be

19 out of town.

20 >> [INAUDIBLE].

21 >> But you know I thank you

22 again as always for your

23 support, and again it maybe a

24 time when we need more than just

25 your votes for a number of

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1 different reasons and I hope

2 what you hear on those disks

3 help persuade you to do what you

4 can for us. I have one other

5 thing for you. We had buttons

6 made with -- [Off Mic] we have

7 19 of them left and that's for

8 everyone in the room if you want

9 one. Thank you again. I

10 appreciate your time.

11 [Applause]

12 >> President Lewis: All  
13 right. Thank you so much KC. I  
14 appreciate that. Next is  
15 without any further comments  
16 from the audience we will go to  
17 reports and comments from  
18 constituent groups. Is there a  
19 constituent group wishing to  
20 give a report?  
21 >> [Off Mic].  
22 >> Good evening and thank you.  
23 So what you're getting right now  
24 is a piece of paper that  
25 illustrates a revenue sharing

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1 formula. so we have been talking  
2 in this room about adopting a  
3 revenue sharing formula for the  
4 campus to determine how much  
5 money could go towards employee  
6 benefits and salaries and I  
7 wanted to you an example if we  
8 applied such formula to this  
9 year's budget because I think

10 without a concrete example it's  
11 difficult to understand what  
12 we're talking about so the model  
13 that we're showing here is based  
14 on the model that's been used in  
15 San Diego at the Community  
16 College District down there for  
17 about a decade and it's a model  
18 that the union, the  
19 Administration have both found  
20 to be useful for them so what  
21 happens in this model they look  
22 at the incoming additional  
23 revenue which will include the  
24 COLA if there is one right from  
25 the state and in their formula

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1 they take 85% of it to apply  
2 towards employee cost so that's  
3 different than now right now  
4 based on the conversations in  
5 this room. I think we're  
6 applying 91% to employee costs  
7 if I am understanding correctly;  
8 right? And they take the 85% and

9 apply towards employee cost and  
10 extract the faculty share so at  
11 our campus that's 52% so if you  
12 look at the example here in one  
13 column I am using the  
14 Chancellor's Office projections  
15 and this is our budget projected  
16 by the office. In the other  
17 column I am showing the adopted  
18 budget based on the local  
19 projections, right, so in the  
20 Chancellor's Office budget you  
21 start off with 13.7 million and  
22 85% of that and 11.6 million.  
23 The faculty share about  
24 6 million and then you could  
25 compare to the cost of some

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1 proposals that we have made,  
2 right, so the cost of bringing  
3 part timers on to a modified  
4 parity schedule is listed here.  
5 COLA for all of the part time  
6 pay 694,000. A pool for part

7 times 100,000 and COLA for full  
8 timers at 970,000 and one step  
9 for full timers 120,000 and for  
10 the people that get stuck after  
11 12, 14 years and can't get a  
12 raise unless we negotiate one,  
13 so the total cost is 3.1  
14 5 million. Even if you look at  
15 the adopted budget based on our  
16 numbers which are more  
17 conservative because we look at  
18 the fiscal health of the college  
19 at the end the faculty share is  
20 4.8 million and less than the  
21 cost of the proposals and  
22 doesn't include a raise in  
23 addition to COLA so in the next  
24 section based on which  
25 projection you're using there is

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1 money left over from the faculty  
2 share that could be applied  
3 towards raises. If we were  
4 using the Chancellor's Office's  
5 projections there is enough

6 money left to provide a raise in  
7 addition to COLA. If we were  
8 going to use our local  
9 projections there's enough money  
10 left to provide a raise of  
11 3.18 percent in addition to  
12 COLA; right? But really what  
13 we're asking for is about a 2%  
14 raise which is about a million  
15 dollars to the faculty so I just  
16 wanted to demonstrate what this  
17 kind of formula does because  
18 it's using the additional  
19 revenue coming about the college  
20 and then it's giving to the  
21 different employee groups to  
22 manage. It gets rid of a lot of  
23 stress and tension arguing over  
24 the money in the budget or not  
25 because you develop a formula

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1 that everyone is comfortable  
2 with and work off of that. I  
3 feel it could reduce time and

4 bad feeling all around and I  
5 wanted to see what it looks like  
6 and if you have any questions  
7 feel free to request and I will  
8 try to answer.  
9 >> President Lewis: Seeing  
10 none.  
11 >> Okay. Thank you very much.  
12 >> President Lewis: Salute.  
13 Next is there any other  
14 constituent group wishing to  
15 give a report? Seeing none we  
16 will move to the Institutional  
17 Presentation of an accreditation  
18 update featuring Mr. Rick  
19 Miranda.  
20 >> Good evening. So in front  
21 of you I believe it was sent to  
22 you earlier today as well up  
23 here is a quick re-cap of  
24 accreditation 2020. It's that  
25 time again. The campus is

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1 gearing up for writing our self  
2 evaluation and moving forward so



3 what I would like to do today is  
4 kind of walk you through as a  
5 quick overview who the teams  
6 are, the timelines, the process,  
7 some of the standards and for  
8 those of you that have been a  
9 part of an accreditation site  
10 visit in the past the difference  
11 between then and now.  
12 So the teams so here's your  
13 leadership team. Myself as the  
14 Accreditation Liaison Officer,  
15 Ms. Michelle Lewellen is the  
16 Faculty Co-Chair. Shawna Basset  
17 is the Accreditation Co-Chair  
18 and with us tonight so if you  
19 have any questions, and Mr. Chad  
20 Green for the accreditation  
21 editor. The Steering Committee  
22 is Kristi Blackburn, Dina  
23 [INAUDIBLE], Sandy Mark, ACCME  
24 President, April Griffin, Faculty  
25 Senate President, Stephanie

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1 Rosenblatt and Ken [INAUDIBLE]  
2 CSEA representative, Julie Moon  
3 confidential representative and  
4 Phil Herrera your ASCC  
5 representative so it's a pretty  
6 diverse group here. All  
7 constituent groups are  
8 represented for the leadership  
9 team.  
10 Now, I'm going to quickly walk  
11 you through and introduce you  
12 who the team leads and some of  
13 the writers. A lot of names and  
14 I will move through relatively  
15 quick. If you want to me to  
16 slow down or back up I will.  
17 Standard 1A mission the leads  
18 are Tim, myself, and Tracy and  
19 ten team writers are listed  
20 here. An B institutional  
21 quality effectiveness, Kristi,  
22 Deb, Jocelyn, writers, Jolena,  
23 Angela, Steven, 1C institutional  
24 integrity, Sandra Elizabeth,  
25 Stephanie, Lucy. There are

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1 quite a few of these. I'm not  
2 going to read everybody's name  
3 but I would like to point out as  
4 we go through is the  
5 instructional programs, library  
6 and learning, student support,  
7 Human Resources, physical  
8 resources, technology resources,  
9 financial resources, decision  
10 making roles, CEO and Governing  
11 Board. There are all facets of  
12 the campus and what we do are  
13 accounted for during the  
14 accreditation. They have  
15 multiple sections or multiple  
16 substandards for each of the  
17 standards and the leads and  
18 writers encompass all  
19 constituent groups on campus.  
20 That was the point I like you to  
21 see and know who we are all if  
22 you want to go through  
23 individual standard by standard.  
24 Any questions so far?  
25 >> President Lewis: By all

1 constituent groups does that not  
2 include a member of the Board of  
3 Trustees in any accreditation  
4 thing?

5 >> No, you will have the  
6 opportunity later when we go  
7 through and see and comment on  
8 the self evaluation.

9 >> President Lewis: Thank  
10 you.

11 >> Thank you. Great question.

12 So timeline. I had it broken  
13 down for every term. Again I  
14 will walk you through them and  
15 you will see the pattern. It's  
16 repetitive so you're aware. We  
17 started the process last Spring  
18 2018. I wouldn't say the  
19 accreditation process was  
20 started but the writing of it  
21 started. Accreditation and  
22 meeting the standards is  
23 something that we should always  
24 be striving for always, and this

25 is an opportunity to show case

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1 what we're doing. So in spring  
2 we started with the appointment  
3 of representatives to the  
4 accreditation committee and  
5 standard leads. We attended the  
6 team ACCJC training, ICER  
7 training and this last summer  
8 May we held accreditation  
9 meetings. We invited volunteers  
10 to serve on the standard teams.  
11 That's how they're built by  
12 volunteer basis and assign  
13 people to teams. Standard teams  
14 have met, organized them,  
15 identified research needs and  
16 evidence needs and storage sites  
17 and preparation for fall which  
18 we're in now. Co-Chairs  
19 developed a website and storage  
20 for evidence and narratives.  
21 There are green check marks to  
22 them because they have been done  
23 and the Co-Chairs in

24 accreditation work with the

25 institutional effectiveness and

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1 planning and IT to identify

2 research needs evidence

3 collection and storage and

4 website needs. Summer there

5 were in summer and meet with

6 each with the teams and gather

7 evidence to prepare for fall

8 writing, again met. Now, I will

9 walk you through what is

10 happening this fall. You can

11 see the pattern follows semester

12 after semester. Identify

13 accreditation editor. In Chad

14 Green was identified. He's an

15 English faculty. Strong writing

16 skills, obviously. However,

17 just so you know who he is, he

18 served as the SLO coordinator a

19 year before. He did a fantastic

20 job. He was able to synthesize

21 keep accurate records concise.

22 It was just the narratives he  
23 produced after the meetings was  
24 very well done. He was a  
25 natural and he was willing to do

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1 it which is more important me  
2 personally thankful to find  
3 somebody willing to take on this  
4 role. Just so you realize the  
5 editor needs to as you see in  
6 page after page of multiple  
7 writers. Everybody writes with  
8 a different style and a  
9 different voice. The job of  
10 Mr. Green is synthesize and  
11 write in one voice so he has his  
12 hands full but he will do a  
13 great job. Accreditation  
14 meetings check on progress  
15 regularly and several times a  
16 month. That is an aggressive  
17 schedule but that is the  
18 schedule we set so that we can  
19 take on the complaint this task.  
20 Co-Chairs facilitate between the

21 standard teams and help with  
22 documentation and research  
23 efforts. As you can see all  
24 three of those have been done  
25 and the next thing in

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1 December 12 all teams will  
2 complete the first drafts of the  
3 ICER, the institutional self  
4 evaluation report and I will  
5 call it ICER and it's easier and  
6 submit to Co-Chairs. In spring  
7 we will be writing draft two by  
8 the end of the term draft one  
9 will be in. Spring draft two.  
10 We're going to try something  
11 different from last time if you  
12 remember. We're going to do a  
13 little peer review. We're going  
14 to hand out the standards to  
15 each other and let each other  
16 read them and act as a peer  
17 review as well. You know  
18 sometimes when you're writing



19 you might miss something that is  
20 -- well, should be more evident  
21 to everybody else so we will do  
22 a peer review between the team  
23 members and themselves. Teams  
24 develop documentations and  
25 demographics and eligibility

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1 requirements. ICER draft one is  
2 edited to presented document for  
3 internal and initial  
4 distribution so in the spring  
5 you will see the first draft so  
6 that all bodies can see and  
7 comment on. Okay. That  
8 commenting is in step five,  
9 Accreditation Co-Chairs present  
10 informal workshops. The same  
11 process you're seeing we are  
12 sharing tonight we will share  
13 with the campus of how it was  
14 done. Student, staff, faculty,  
15 managers, Board Members are  
16 encouraged to respond with  
17 comments and suggestions, so I

18 think the question President  
19 Lewis that you're asking for so  
20 you will have that opportunity.  
21 Okay. By early May we will have  
22 a second draft completed.  
23 Summer the accreditation editor  
24 and Co-Chairs [INAUDIBLE] review  
25 ICER. We work on it over the

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1 summer and second draft will be  
2 completed. Fall 2019. This is  
3 when we continue to share it  
4 with the campus, bring it to all  
5 bodies for review and comment  
6 and ultimately finally to you  
7 the board as well for approval.  
8 And by spring 2020 we will have  
9 our site visit want you know  
10 early in the spring it is due to  
11 ACCJC. After we send if there  
12 is anything else that we could  
13 feel to send to clarify as  
14 anything as we go through and we  
15 can send supporting

16 documentation and by this time  
17 we will be notified of the team  
18 visit and we will be working on  
19 hosting the team which is pretty  
20 large. You know there's a lot  
21 of different models how to host  
22 but we will be working on that  
23 as the months come up and lastly  
24 in March 2020 we will have our  
25 site visit. It is a four day

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1 visit. Teams usually arrive on  
2 a Sunday night typically, and we  
3 will start working campus and  
4 meeting Monday and work through  
5 the final report out on  
6 Thursday. Now, the process. If  
7 that didn't seem like a process  
8 enough. That was just  
9 timelines. I like to share the  
10 process so you realize the  
11 efforts made by every group on  
12 campus to meet this goal.  
13 April 18 -- this was spring.  
14 You know first full cred meeting

15 and developed the teams and the  
16 website and meeting schedules.  
17 My May 2 we are training.  
18 May 16 review of training  
19 materials, presentation exercise  
20 and appropriate evidence campus  
21 accreditation site. File  
22 sharing processes and file  
23 naming protocols. Summer.  
24 Standard teams met with IRP to  
25 learn about data available. You

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1 know what data is there and how  
2 do we collect it and where are  
3 we going to store it? Coming to  
4 fall each standard team provides  
5 status reports to the  
6 accreditation committee so the  
7 standard teams do report come to  
8 and have to give a full report  
9 out in front of the rest of the  
10 standard teams of challenges,  
11 what is going well, questions,  
12 and we discuss those first,

13 third and fifth of every month.  
14 In August new accreditation  
15 handbook came out so we're  
16 following a new handbook.  
17 September, September again --  
18 October 3, October 17. I am  
19 going through these quick. You  
20 can see the process happening in  
21 these. At every one of the  
22 meetings these are the groups  
23 that are reporting out on those  
24 days. What is your status? Is  
25 the draft written? What are

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1 your concerns? What are the  
2 questions? So as you can see  
3 this is for no other term  
4 Herculean effort and by all and  
5 a lot of team and communication.  
6 November 7, December 5,  
7 December 12. The teams are  
8 still meeting and discussing.  
9 Again I provide this to you. At  
10 any point and time these  
11 meetings are open if you wanted

12 to visit -- or have questions  
13 and I wanted to you what the  
14 teams are doing and reporting.  
15 Okay. The standards themselves.  
16 Just so you know I'm not walking  
17 through a hundred standards  
18 tonight. Might feel like it  
19 already. I apologize. Here are  
20 the number of substandards in  
21 one. In A there are four. B  
22 there are nine. -- 2A  
23 instructional programs 16 and on  
24 and on. Okay. The first drafts  
25 are completed. We received the

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1 draft. Doesn't mean they're not  
2 being done but by the 12 the  
3 rest of the drafts and the  
4 standards and the 120  
5 substandards we received nearly  
6 66% of already been turned in  
7 the others will be turned in the  
8 upcoming month. I think that's  
9 applaudable to all these groups

10 working on it. Whether they did  
11 one or close to all of them it  
12 is a lot of work on top of  
13 everybody's normal duties across  
14 the district and so for those  
15 individuals who are spending the  
16 extra time they should be kind  
17 of -- it should be noted the  
18 extra work they're putting in to  
19 get this done because it's a  
20 campus event and it's a  
21 challenging event, but it is  
22 something that will show case  
23 the good work that we do here so  
24 I appreciate everybody who is  
25 involved. Okay. So what's the

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1 difference? Real quick from  
2 before we did have more  
3 standards. We had 127  
4 standards. There are 120 now so  
5 there's a reduction N the future  
6 the ACCJC is talking about a  
7 further reduction again and be  
8 in phases and steps but for now

9 we're the 120 handbook that we  
10 have to follow. The philosophy  
11 has changed of the ACCJC in the  
12 last years and there's been a  
13 lot of changes. Notice how they  
14 start. Support and celebrate  
15 the college. The training for  
16 the on site visitation for those  
17 coming the accreditation team to  
18 visit this is where it starts  
19 support and celebration. It's a  
20 little different and we're going  
21 to act as an auditor and search  
22 for issues. It's a different  
23 process. I don't know if you  
24 were aware I was part of  
25 accreditation team and returned

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1 three weeks ago and that is  
2 truly the approach these days.  
3 Compliance is important, yes, we  
4 need to meet the standards and  
5 continued self improvement is  
6 always important. One of the



7 things that I found is  
8 interesting in the ICER itself  
9 if you do not mention something  
10 of importance.  
11 When your site visit team  
12 visits a verbal interview  
13 response is acceptable now. You  
14 don't have to document it in the  
15 same way you did in the past and  
16 write essentially what feels  
17 like rebuttals to what you put  
18 out there. Now, it's I can have  
19 a conversation. Show me. Oh  
20 thank you very much. You go  
21 back and can say "I saw it.  
22 They have done it. Approved"  
23 and you move on. That's a huge  
24 change from the past. Okay.  
25 The format has changed a bit.

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1 They're looking for a 250 page  
2 maximum. I think we were up in  
3 the high 300s last time. I have  
4 seen ICERs that are greater than  
5 400 pages, 500 pages myself in

6 the last six months seeing what  
7 is out there, so what they have  
8 now told us is 250 pages maximum  
9 so we're working on that.  
10 Essentially they -- they have  
11 essentially provided word counts  
12 for every section as a template  
13 now. Yup. No longer do we have  
14 to produce a physical hard copy  
15 to send. Everything is  
16 electronic. I don't recommend  
17 that we don't have some hard  
18 copies to distribute across the  
19 campus as well, but most of it  
20 will be electronic going  
21 forward. Okay. So these are  
22 just some of the changes.  
23 Probably the biggest change from  
24 the last time those of you who  
25 of course involved and been with

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1 the campus have been through  
2 this is now what we call a  
3 quality focus essay that has to

4 be written. This essay is a  
5 stretch goal. Something that we  
6 would like to try, something we  
7 think would improve our  
8 students' lives, their academic  
9 success, the community at large  
10 through our programs here, so  
11 this is something that we will  
12 be presenting and working on as  
13 something the campus can get  
14 behind. In the past it was a  
15 statement of the quality focus  
16 essays of this is something we  
17 would like to try. You weren't  
18 held accountable for it. It's  
19 changed a little bit. Now you  
20 write the essay and when they  
21 revisit it later they will ask  
22 how it worked? Do you have any  
23 data to support it? So along  
24 the ways it lets us experience a  
25 little bit and build on existing

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1 programs and for example  
2 Cerritos Complete and the high

3 touch practices that worked and  
4 expand as one option. I am  
5 throwing that idea out. It  
6 could be a plethora of things  
7 that I have seen at other  
8 districts and that's the options  
9 and that's it. Are there any  
10 questions? Oh I apologize. I  
11 would be happy to and I will  
12 probably semesterly report back  
13 so I can give you continued  
14 updates on this process.  
15 >> President Lewis: Any  
16 questions from Board Members on  
17 this? Just to clarify the  
18 accreditation team that would be  
19 coming here is made up of other  
20 community college employees such  
21 as Vice Presidents or other  
22 people?  
23 >> Team leads -- the Chair is  
24 usually a President or a  
25 Chancellor. Now -- okay, let me

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1 finish the first part so yes, a  
2 President or a Chancellor  
3 typically is the team lead.  
4 Then you have a Vice President  
5 of Academic Affairs, Vice  
6 President of Student Services,  
7 Vice President of CBO Business  
8 Services. You do have faculty,  
9 and often classified as also the  
10 change that happened since the  
11 last time we went through this  
12 is the Vice Presidents of ACCJC  
13 which now have case files so  
14 Dr. Stephanie Droker is our  
15 representative who has Cerritos  
16 as her case file.  
17 Before you didn't know who you  
18 would interact with and now  
19 she's ours and attend with the  
20 site visit team for upwards to  
21 two, three days as well on site  
22 to help guide the site visit  
23 team and answer any questions  
24 that they might have as they go  
25 through it.

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1 >> President Lewis: And it's  
2 typically only the professional  
3 staff of a college rather than a  
4 Board Member or a member of the  
5 community?

6 >> That is my understanding.  
7 I don't know if there is any  
8 other change on a Board Member.

9 >> Dr. Fierro: You mean on  
10 the visiting team? No, they  
11 reduce the number of members to  
12 a maximum of 12 I believe and  
13 essentially what you list, the  
14 President as the team leader,  
15 the Vice President, business,  
16 Academic Affairs, Human  
17 Resources. Sometimes Dean of  
18 Library, student services.

19 >> Faculty.

20 >> Dr. Fierro: Faculty  
21 members and sometimes may or may  
22 not a classified member be  
23 included in the team.

24 >> President Lewis: Yeah.

25 >> Marisa Perez: Last time

1 there was a Board Member on the  
2 team during the last  
3 accreditation. It was Brent  
4 [INAUDIBLE] and I remember him  
5 and he's on the CCC team with me  
6 and I know accreditation has  
7 changed and but I do remember  
8 being contacted to see if I  
9 wanted to do the training and  
10 always need Board Members to go  
11 on the site visits and I don't  
12 know if anybody is interested  
13 and I don't know if it's an  
14 option and Board Members are a  
15 part.  
16 >> Dr. Fierro: I haven't seen  
17 Board Members in the last  
18 trainings we attended. We will  
19 ask if it's changed and I know  
20 in the past there were visiting  
21 teams that had Board Members but  
22 in the last few since the  
23 changes we haven't seen anyone  
24 in the trainings but we will

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1 >> President Lewis: Okay.

2 >> I didn't see them at mine

3 as well and even last year when

4 I was presenting with ACCJC and

5 training if other schools they

6 were no Board Members from any

7 of the districts.

8 >> President Lewis: Okay.

9 Sounds good. Thank you so much.

10 >> Thank you.

11 >> President Lewis: Next is

12 our bond construction update

13 featuring Felipe Lopez. Double

14 feature today, two Vice

15 Presidents. We'll get Adriana

16 next time.

17 >> She can present with me.

18 All right. Welcome. So I'm

19 going to go over the overall

20 bond update and bond budgets,

21 what is going on with our

22 Measure G bond. So as you're

23 aware our Measure CC is



24 completely done. We have spent

25 out the entire \$210 million that

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1 was authorized to us and now  
2 we're really about halfway  
3 through -- we have authorized  
4 about half of the Measure G so  
5 we've authorized and issued  
6 175 million of the \$350 million  
7 available and so this is kind of  
8 a break out of what is currently  
9 happening right now, and so if  
10 you look at the 2012 Measure G  
11 we have the \$350 million of  
12 local bond funds. We also have  
13 10 million coming from a state  
14 funded program which is the  
15 health science project and I  
16 will talk a little bit about  
17 that in the presentation and  
18 gives \$360 million of available  
19 funds. Currently we spent  
20 130 million of that on various  
21 projects as listed here LRC,

- 22 Culinary Arts, social science
- 23 elevator, Fine Arts, Health and
- 24 Wellness and so on and a variety
- 25 of different projects on campus.

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- 1 We have about 70 million that is
- 2 unencumbered for the Health and
- 3 Wellness complex that is
- 4 currently under construction and
- 5 then we have about 193 million
- 6 remaining in budget to complete
- 7 which consists of the performing
- 8 arts, health -- the health
- 9 science buildings, some
- 10 modernization projects, the
- 11 Falcon Center, which is the
- 12 student services Ad Min
- 13 building, "BELA," which is the
- 14 business education building,
- 15 CDC, and then the Child
- 16 Development Center, and so which
- 17 basically will give us a total
- 18 project expenditures of
- 19 393 million, and currently we
- 20 have a variance of about

21 \$33 million which basically  
22 means is if we went through this  
23 current plan we would be short  
24 about \$33 million --  
25 >> What is implementation?

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1 >> Implementation is just --  
2 there's a number of things in  
3 there, so like our -- a lot of  
4 our professional services.  
5 Implementation of bonds like  
6 Tildon-Coil, any of the legal  
7 costs, also include any updates  
8 for the Facilities Master Plan  
9 or technology Master Plans is  
10 all part of in that cost, so  
11 which leaves us about  
12 \$33 million short if we stuck to  
13 this plan, and so which will  
14 then start posing questions what  
15 do we do in the future? And as  
16 I walk through this we will talk  
17 down the line what is in the  
18 future for Cerritos College?

19 And this variance will most  
20 likely start to grow as we  
21 finish up our Facilities Master  
22 Plan. As you know we're  
23 updating it currently and  
24 identified any additional need  
25 on our campus that hasn't been

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1 previously identified. We will  
2 then start sizing a potential  
3 need that's additional need on  
4 our campus. I think I see a  
5 hand.

6 >> Yeah, I had a quick  
7 question. About when -- first  
8 when this Measure G was put  
9 forward was there a calculation  
10 and if so what was the  
11 calculation of the increased  
12 cost of construction over the  
13 next ten years or even --  
14 [INAUDIBLE].

15 >> You know that I'm not too  
16 sure but we will go through some  
17 escalation costs. Obviously

18 when this measure was probably  
19 started going around which is  
20 probably some time in 2011  
21 during the planning stages  
22 probably the escalation costs  
23 are how they sized it was  
24 probably based on the current  
25 Facilities Master Plan and what

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1 was in there but no one probably  
2 took any account of what the  
3 escalation costs are today as we  
4 get through that the numbers  
5 just seem pretty outrageous in  
6 today's market, but we will go  
7 through. There's a number of  
8 slides that talk about the  
9 escalation and you know moving  
10 on in the future.  
11 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
12 >> Dr. Fierro: I think early  
13 escalation points cost per year  
14 were about 6% as I remember in  
15 one of the our conversations and

16 have gone as far as 1%  
17 [INAUDIBLE] with the  
18 recommendations given recently  
19 so what we started with, and  
20 what we are today in escalation  
21 costs is nearly double.  
22 >> President Lewis: That was  
23 at the time in --  
24 >> Dr. Fierro: 2011 or 2012  
25 and were around 6%.

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1 >> President Lewis: And the  
2 Facilities Master Plan we did  
3 about two years ago maybe?  
4 >> The Facilities Master Plan  
5 was done around 2012.  
6 >> President Lewis: Okay. It  
7 was an update two years ago that  
8 I am recalling. Five years ago  
9 was what? 2013, thereabouts.  
10 >> Yeah.  
11 >> President Lewis: Okay. In  
12 that Facilities Master Plan was  
13 there a new calculation of any  
14 estimated costs based on the

15 2013 market rather than the --  
16 [INAUDIBLE].  
17 >> Dr. Fierro: There is a  
18 yearly update on the bond and  
19 the cost of construction for the  
20 bonds so every year we have been  
21 readjusting the bonds. I think  
22 this past adjustment was around  
23 8% or somewhere around there but  
24 we were still short a couple of  
25 percentage points given the rate

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1 of construction around us, so it  
2 has increased more than what we  
3 have anticipated.  
4 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
5 >> Okay. So currently this is  
6 a picture of our campus as of to  
7 date what is actually going on  
8 and the major thing I point out  
9 here is the Health and Wellness  
10 complex phase one that is  
11 currently under construction  
12 that I have the pointer on, so

13 this is really kind of a  
14 snapshot what you see at this  
15 moment and then goes into some  
16 current accomplishments that  
17 we've had over the years, so  
18 over since 2006 we have  
19 constructed eight new buildings  
20 which totaling over 265,000  
21 square feet of new buildings  
22 tremendous amount of space and  
23 work that has been done, but  
24 over just since 2014 we have  
25 constructed four new buildings

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1 which totaling about a little  
2 bit more than -- square feet of  
3 construction and support on our  
4 campus. We have another 80,000  
5 square feet coming early January  
6 with the completion of phase one  
7 of the Health and Wellness  
8 complex and we had numerous  
9 building modifications,  
10 renovations, infrastructure  
11 improvements and site



12 improvements going on over the  
13 past years so a lot has been  
14 done with our bonds dollars. So  
15 here's an illustration of the  
16 construction for 2018. Again to  
17 what I showed you and the Health  
18 and Wellness complex and phase  
19 one. Okay . This is what the  
20 complex consists of. It's  
21 broken down into two phases.  
22 Phase one is anticipating to  
23 have a move in some time in  
24 early 2019. We're holding to  
25 get people in there at January,

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1 February at the latest but it's  
2 close to be done. Once we move  
3 into phase one that will clear  
4 the way to demo the existing  
5 area for phase two. Currently  
6 this is the PE building that  
7 sits in this selection on it  
8 which we expect to be move in  
9 some time in August of 2020.

10 Okay. So this is kind of an  
11 illustration of that. In 2019  
12 what we would happen, so the  
13 Health and Wellness would turn  
14 blue which means the project is  
15 completed. The current PE  
16 building would turn red which  
17 means demo. Based on the  
18 timelines our performing art  
19 center would then go into  
20 construction mode, and we would  
21 go into the Master Planning of  
22 the health science building.  
23 The health science assembling a  
24 state funded building, and so we  
25 are currently working with the

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1 Chancellor's Office on trying to  
2 get that funded for the 19-20  
3 fiscal year. As you may know we  
4 have a state bond that has  
5 passed but our current Governor  
6 Brown has been very conservative  
7 of issuing that debt so the  
8 actual authorization of

9 buildings has been very slow so  
10 we're hoping to get ours on the  
11 ballot or at least approved in  
12 the budget for the 19-between  
13 the fiscal year. What that  
14 would mean once we get  
15 authorized to move we would move  
16 into what they call working  
17 drawings so then we would go out  
18 for an architect to start the  
19 preliminary planning for the  
20 health wellness project. The  
21 state is going to fund a little  
22 bit more than \$10 million  
23 towards the renovation of this  
24 building, so again trying to  
25 leverage our bond dollars with

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1 state dollars as much as we can  
2 possibly can so that is good  
3 news in the 19-20 fiscal year.  
4 Going into 2020 what would  
5 happen now phase two goes into  
6 an orange color which means that

7 is construction. PAC is still  
8 under construction and then the  
9 health science building then  
10 would go into construction as  
11 well, and so okay. And then in  
12 2020 we would then the phase two  
13 of the Health and Wellness  
14 Center or complex would then  
15 turn blue which means the  
16 project is completed and then  
17 the still PAC and health  
18 sciences still under  
19 construction in 20-21, and then  
20 in 2022 we complete construction  
21 of PAC and after that we move  
22 everyone out of the current  
23 Burnight Center building out of  
24 PAC and turns red and along with  
25 the book store and foundation

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1 and public affairs office would  
2 turn red for demolition for the  
3 future Ad Min student services  
4 building and this is the  
5 illustration of what that would

6 look like in 2022 and go into  
7 the planning phases -- the  
8 Master Planning phases of the --  
9 here in the Master Plan we call  
10 it the Falcon Center but whether  
11 that name stays true. Again  
12 this illustration is based on  
13 the current Master Plan. Things  
14 could change once we finalize  
15 the new Master Plan which is set  
16 to be completed and board  
17 approved by May of 2019.  
18 >> [Off Mic].  
19 >> So there's about 14  
20 disciplines in there. It is a  
21 student services building. The  
22 goal is to centralize all the  
23 student services into one stop  
24 and the book store and student  
25 services and centralizing all of

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1 the Administration which  
2 basically would be the new board  
3 room, all the administrative

4 offices within this quad along  
5 with HR moving out of the  
6 multi-purpose into that area.  
7 The book store would also be  
8 part of this, and also the  
9 foundation office, and public  
10 affairs so a tremendous amount  
11 of disciplines would be in this  
12 building.

13 >> [Off Mic].

14 >> Okay. With the goal of  
15 centralizing a one stop for all  
16 student services. So that gets  
17 us to 2022 based on the  
18 illustration of our current  
19 Master Plan. So let's talk  
20 about what's really going on  
21 kind of in the market right now  
22 so here's some three indices  
23 that we typically used in the  
24 past and these are current  
25 averages that's been going on in

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1 2017 and 2018, from various --  
2 ranging from escalation of 2.4%

3 per year all the way up to as  
4 high as 8% a year based on these  
5 depending which one you want to  
6 select. However, the California  
7 college facilities coalition  
8 along with the State  
9 Chancellor's Office issued out a  
10 recommendation in May 2018  
11 indicating not to use the  
12 current indices, to actually use  
13 real market rates that are  
14 coming because of -- they saw  
15 the escalation costs increasing  
16 dramatically more than what was  
17 in those other indices. The  
18 State Chancellor's Office  
19 actually recommended that  
20 escalation be 1% per year with a  
21 -- estimated total of 12% per  
22 year so that's what the  
23 recommendation is currently  
24 coming from the State  
25 Chancellor's Office. There are

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1 more than -- there's a few  
2 community college district  
3 within Southern California that  
4 currently are budgeting around  
5 15% per year for escalation  
6 costs, and it's kind of broken  
7 down for about 5% for escalation  
8 and 10% market conditions, and  
9 so some of the reasons why  
10 you're seeing double digit  
11 increases is because of this  
12 slide here. Here's some  
13 material price increases that  
14 have been occurring over the  
15 last 12 months. Every one of  
16 these are in the double digits  
17 increases from plywood at 10%,  
18 lumber of 26% increase, concrete  
19 at 17%, roofing materials at  
20 24%, and so on and so on. Steel  
21 obviously a big one of 46%  
22 increases. Steel has actually  
23 increased nine times since  
24 November 2017, so this is the  
25 kind of market that we're

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1 actually dealing with right now  
2 of these type of expenditures.  
3 Some of the reasons is because  
4 there's a lot of bond  
5 construction going on right now,  
6 so on the ballot measure on this  
7 yesterday there was 102 proposed  
8 bond initiatives on the ballot  
9 totals 14.7 billion dollars on  
10 that so a lot of work coming  
11 across. Even state is now  
12 considering putting a bond  
13 measure on the ballot for 2020  
14 so just construction is kind of  
15 through the roof.

16 >> President Lewis: And your  
17 research on the bonds that were  
18 authorized this year did you  
19 find any district that did not  
20 pass a bond?

21 >> So in this slide here  
22 here's it broken down of  
23 November, this, so right now San  
24 Bernardino County had two  
25 districts. San Bernardino

1 Community College District and  
2 Chafey College. Chafey College  
3 is where I live and \$550 million  
4 bond that passed and San  
5 Bernardino's bond measure  
6 passed. In L.A. County there  
7 was one. The 750 is mount SAC.  
8 It passed so all three bond  
9 initiatives passed that were on  
10 the ballot for community  
11 colleges, and so and these bond  
12 initiatives are big dollars.  
13 Like I said 750 million of is  
14 all of Mt. SAC. 550 all of is  
15 Chaffey College and then and  
16 probably another 600 million is  
17 for San Bernardino Community  
18 College District so very  
19 significant bond measures. If  
20 you total up our complete  
21 combination of both measures  
22 doesn't even equate to any of  
23 these dollars that are being  
24 passed -- that was passed

25 yesterday, so it's putting us

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1 behind the eight ball when we're  
2 trying to compete with some of  
3 the other districts on the size  
4 of bonds that some of the other  
5 districts have. Just two years  
6 ago Long Beach passed  
7 \$800 million bond measure.  
8 North Orange Community College  
9 passed roughly over \$500 million  
10 of bonds. El Camino has a total  
11 of \$750 million of bonds on  
12 their campus, so very large  
13 dollar figures some of the  
14 districts have.  
15 >> President Lewis: Do you  
16 know how close the vote for?  
17 >> The closest one was Chafey  
18 passed with a 2% margin at 57%.  
19 You only need 55. San  
20 Bernardino passed pretty easily,  
21 around the 70 percentile. Mt.  
22 SAC passed pretty significantly  
23 as well. The only close one was

24 Chafey College at 57%.

25 >> President Lewis: Okay.

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1 >> Okay. Before I went to bed

2 it was actually losing. I woke

3 up to --

4 >> President Lewis: To a win.

5 >> Yeah.

6 >> [Off Mic].

7 >> Good for Chafey College.

8 Bad for my property taxes. So

9 here's some other information

10 they think it's great to focus

11 on because you know when we talk

12 about escalation in the market

13 and the need Tildon-Coil would

14 probably agree with this that

15 there is so much work that we're

16 certain to see contractors just

17 not bidding on some of the work

18 just because there's just too

19 much out there so just to give

20 you a little snapshot over the

21 last two -- actually three years

22 since 2016 there's been over  
23 \$901 billion worth of work  
24 because of these natural  
25 disasters between hurricanes and

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1 California wildfires over the  
2 last years.  
3 There's been a tremendous amount  
4 of work over the nation and  
5 particularly in California with  
6 the wildfires. So that's kind  
7 of talks about escalation and  
8 kind of the market that we're in  
9 right now. Now, switching gears  
10 to the Performing Arts Center  
11 and so originally in 2016 we had  
12 a construction budget for this  
13 project of about \$55 million.  
14 This also included a 10% total  
15 escalation in this which is  
16 equates to about 4% per year  
17 projected through February 19  
18 which is the midpoint of the  
19 construction, and then we also  
20 did an updated estimate during

21 once it came out of DSA. We  
22 updated the budget to  
23 \$65.2 million in June of 18  
24 which included 14.5% escalation  
25 and 6% per year through May of

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1 2020 which is the midpoint of  
2 construction. However, the  
3 preliminary bid results came in  
4 even higher than that a little  
5 more than \$76.4 million which is  
6 the current market that we're  
7 dealing with so significant  
8 amount of work that so we're  
9 talking some big, big cost  
10 increases, so here's kind of  
11 some things that we have been  
12 doing to try to mitigate. This  
13 kind of gives you a scenario of  
14 what we have been dealing with  
15 and adjusting our budgets and  
16 trying to figure out ways to try  
17 to reign in some of the costs on  
18 there, and so we have gone

19 through five rounds of what they  
20 call value engineering during  
21 the design, and so which means  
22 reevaluating the design of the  
23 building, trying to figure out  
24 ways to cut costs. We have done  
25 multiple reductions to date,

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1 multiple value engineering,  
2 scope and cost reductions on the  
3 building so in a sense what we  
4 have been trying to do is  
5 squeeze the building down as  
6 much we can to eliminate square  
7 footage. We shaved off the  
8 corridors and the lobbies to try  
9 to maximize and save costs where  
10 we could knowing the fact we  
11 have those potential escalation  
12 costs coming but at the same  
13 time not necessarily limiting  
14 the need that was needed with  
15 the performing arts on that so  
16 looking at different finishes,  
17 resting different types of

18 elements that were within the  
19 building that potentially we  
20 could do without so we have been  
21 working with the user group to  
22 help us figure out what are must  
23 haves, what are the needs and  
24 try to eliminate as much we can  
25 to cut costs where we could

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1 without necessarily compromising  
2 the project itself. So here's  
3 kind of some cost reductions  
4 that we have done over that  
5 since June of 16. Eliminating  
6 some costs as we went along  
7 during the budget design  
8 process, the construction  
9 document process, and then also  
10 reducing some costs after it  
11 came through DSA, and so we have  
12 been trying to do as much cost  
13 reductions as we can with this  
14 building, but again this  
15 building is a very specialized



16 building. It's a performing  
17 arts. It's very complex  
18 building and so sometimes you  
19 know there's only so much we can  
20 cut out of it without  
21 necessarily compromising the  
22 building or shrinking down the  
23 construction utilization of the  
24 building which is a goal that we  
25 were trying not to do, so some

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1 on going efforts trying to  
2 control these costs. Again  
3 additional value engineering and  
4 scope reduction. We've had  
5 several meetings with the end  
6 users for feedback and input and  
7 make sure they were okay with  
8 what we wanted to. Do I think  
9 we all agreed to eliminate or  
10 defer the orchestra pit lift.  
11 There's an actual pit lift that  
12 moves up electronically which is  
13 a very expensive cost, and  
14 trying to evaluate whether or

15 not that's a must have or is  
16 there an alternative solution of  
17 getting something done. I think  
18 we've come up with an  
19 alternative solution that the  
20 user group agrees with. Just  
21 looking at reengineering of  
22 theatrical audiovisual,  
23 reduction of the acoustic  
24 systems, and so far we have  
25 identified almost 2 million of

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1 potential reductions to be  
2 considered, and then  
3 reevaluating some of the low bid  
4 bidders that have proposed on  
5 that of looking at additional  
6 cost cuts on that. Tildon-Coil  
7 has been doing a tremendous job  
8 of vetting out each of the low  
9 bidders trying to figure out  
10 where is you know the cost  
11 coming from? How can we assist  
12 in getting some of the cost

13 reductions in there and  
14 clarifying you know some of the  
15 costs in there? So they have  
16 done a tremendous job to try to  
17 help us assist with the costs.  
18 So an overview of kind of the  
19 bidding process for the  
20 performing arts is we have 28  
21 bid categories that were  
22 advertised in August 7 of this  
23 year. Received multiple  
24 responses in each of the  
25 categories. We had responsive

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1 bids from the 27 of the 28 bid  
2 categories. We're looking at  
3 potentially rebidding three  
4 categories based on various  
5 irregularities. These non  
6 critical path areas so allows us  
7 to do that without compromising  
8 the construction schedule and  
9 then we're looking at cost  
10 reductions in four of the bid  
11 packages already which equates

12 to about \$2 million cost  
13 reduction we think we can bring  
14 down the overall cost a little  
15 bit. So here's kind of a  
16 preliminary results of each of  
17 the bid categories and what the  
18 estimated budget was, and the  
19 preliminary results are, so the  
20 budget is right in the middle.  
21 The preliminary bid results are  
22 on the right and you can kind of  
23 see the differences of where  
24 some of this comes so structural  
25 and concrete was a significant

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1 increase and as we dove deeper  
2 into this we found out hey this  
3 is concrete. You know what's  
4 going on here? We've kind of  
5 got a crash course lesson that a  
6 lot of it crosses -- concrete  
7 there's a lot of rebar that goes  
8 into concrete and if I go back  
9 to the slide on steel and rebar

10 and went up 46%. All of the  
11 materials across the board are  
12 increasing because of the steel  
13 component in much of what goes  
14 on in the buildings so it's a  
15 difficult thing to try to keep  
16 at, so again we had a total  
17 budget of \$65.1 million for this  
18 project. Construction  
19 preliminary bid results have  
20 come in somewhere a little bit  
21 more than \$76.4 million so  
22 obviously a nearly \$10 million  
23 increase of what we originally  
24 budgeted for this.  
25 And so this is you know firm

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1 preliminary bid results that  
2 came in right now. So from this  
3 our team is sending out letters  
4 to all the low bidders, low  
5 responsive bidders with  
6 anticipation of bringing in  
7 these forward for approval at  
8 the next board meeting and

9 scheduled for November 14. We  
10 also do plan to bring three  
11 notices of rejections of the  
12 bids for the categories because  
13 of bid irregularities and hopes  
14 to reevaluate these bids and to  
15 get lower costs and so here's  
16 the construction schedule, so  
17 assuming that you approve these  
18 awards next Wednesday  
19 construction will begin December  
20 of 18, and should be completed  
21 and we begin occupancies in  
22 September of 2021 for  
23 construction to begin in  
24 January 2022. Okay. So it's  
25 about a three year construction

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1 timeline. And so here's some  
2 budget adjustments we're  
3 proposing for the 2018. Again  
4 here's performing arts. These  
5 are the total project budgets so  
6 you can see the cost increase is

7 nearly 45%. We're also  
8 proposing Falcon Center or the  
9 Ad Min student service building  
10 increasing this budget by 25%,  
11 and then also health sciences  
12 renovation which is the state  
13 funded project and looking to  
14 also increase that budget by 25%  
15 based on the current market  
16 escalation costs that we are  
17 experiencing at this moment. We  
18 don't anticipate seeing any  
19 downturn in the construction  
20 market. There is a tremendous  
21 amount of work being done in  
22 L.A. County particularly. You  
23 have the Olympics coming very  
24 soon and everybody is ramped up.  
25 I just mentioned a number of you

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1 know Mt. SAC and other the  
2 public construction arena is  
3 robust enough to that it's going  
4 to with stand any recent or  
5 upcoming recession because

6 there's so much construction  
7 going on right now that you know  
8 we're being limited on the  
9 actual participants in the bids  
10 because you know people just  
11 have too much work. They can't  
12 find enough qualified workers to  
13 put on site, so these read  
14 percentages we're proposed for  
15 the future projects. In your  
16 packet is a blown up version of  
17 kind of what I went over with  
18 you. It's kind of a detailed  
19 project by project, and with  
20 these adjustments to the budget,  
21 so on going strategies that are  
22 currently in progress. You know  
23 identify projects for future  
24 valuing engineering, so  
25 depending on what the future is

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1 likely based on what we see  
2 today and most likely what will  
3 come out of the Master Plan in



4 May of 19 is likely we would  
5 probably have to start  
6 discussing a potential new bond  
7 measure some time in the 2020  
8 arena. That might be a good  
9 time if the state is also going  
10 to be proposing a bond measure  
11 on that. There will be a lot of  
12 emphasis on need and that could  
13 be a great way to kind of  
14 piggyback on the system itself  
15 campaigning for a state wide  
16 bond at the same time. That's  
17 always a good timing to go on a  
18 ballot measure, but overall with  
19 escalation costs updated  
20 Facilities Master Plan we're  
21 going to identify additional  
22 need you know and then we're  
23 going to identify and define the  
24 campus needs for the next ten,  
25 15 years and beyond and start

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1 looking at what this campus  
2 needs for the future. I can

3 think about a hand full of major  
4 projects not on the previous  
5 Master Plan that should be on  
6 the Master Plan that should be  
7 addressed in the near future but  
8 before we can address those we  
9 have to go out for a potential  
10 bond measure to get those  
11 projects done, and that's my  
12 update and I will take any  
13 questions any of you may have.  
14 >> President Lewis: Any  
15 questions from Board Members?  
16 Trustee Perez.  
17 >> Marisa Perez: Yes. Thank  
18 you very much for the  
19 presentation. So I'm going to  
20 go back to the very first slide  
21 about the \$33 million projected  
22 variance. Does that already --  
23 that 33 million is the figure  
24 after you already did all the  
25 cost escalations at the very

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1 end?

2 >> This does not include us

3 updating the budgets for the

4 projects at the end, no.

5 >> Marisa Perez: Okay. So

6 what would that number be?

7 >> On the sheet you're looking

8 at identifying funds will

9 balloon to about \$85 million.

10 >> Marisa Perez: Okay. As I

11 am reading this if we do

12 everything on that list and

13 escalate all the costs out as

14 what we know today and what

15 you're doing we're still short

16 to complete this \$85 million?

17 >> Yes. At a minimum we have

18 to go out for another

19 \$85 million to complete this.

20 Obviously we would go to higher

21 than that to make sure we can

22 finish but this would finish

23 what you currently see here so

24 obviously once we date the

25 Facilities Master Plan and

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1 additional projects added to the  
2 list would create a bigger need,  
3 unmet need on our campus.  
4 >> Marisa Perez: Okay. And  
5 then my next questions are  
6 specific to performing art  
7 center. So based on what the  
8 construction estimate is and  
9 what your budget was I have over  
10 \$11 million over so what are we  
11 -- you mentioned there is  
12 another slide with the different  
13 things to reduce those costs.  
14 Are we going to reduce the costs  
15 by 11.3 million or just going to  
16 approve a higher budget?  
17 >> We're -- so this is based  
18 on the preliminary bids, the  
19 76.four. In reality we could  
20 probably knock this down by  
21 \$2 million so it's about  
22 \$74 million per se, but based on  
23 the preliminary bid results we  
24 would be requesting to approve  
25 the bids as presented next week

1 agenda and so we've had  
2 extensive reviews with our team  
3 looking at potentially is it  
4 worth rebidding? Do we have  
5 enough bidders to basically  
6 evaluate? Is this a true market  
7 of that? And the answer it to a  
8 lot of these questions yes. We  
9 think right now if we actually  
10 rebid some of the categories we  
11 feel we would actually get  
12 higher costs coming around  
13 because like I said right now  
14 we're anticipating a 1% increase  
15 every month that we wait on  
16 construction costs, so even if  
17 we try to rebid and we're  
18 evaluating some of the bids have  
19 at least five bidders on them in  
20 some cases and they're all  
21 around the same number so we  
22 feel pretty confident we have a  
23 pretty market rate number and  
24 there is no need to go out and

25 rebid, but we have identified

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1 three categories that we will be  
2 going out to rebid, but only  
3 three of the 28 that we actually  
4 brought forward so we would  
5 probably be bringing -- so three  
6 out 28 so 25 categories for  
7 approval so with us rebidding  
8 three that are non critical path  
9 areas, and so --  
10 >> Marisa Perez: You said this  
11 is coming in December board  
12 meeting?.  
13 >> This is next week's  
14 meeting, November 14 meeting.  
15 >> Marisa Perez: Okay. What  
16 happens if the board decides no  
17 we don't want to approve the  
18 \$76 million and approve a  
19 smaller amount what would  
20 happen?  
21 >> So --  
22 >> Marisa Perez: No, we're  
23 going to stick with the 65 and

24 you have to make cuts in the 28.

25 >> For instance if the board

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1 says we don't want to approve  
2 this significant increase we  
3 would potentially then have to  
4 reject all bids because the bids  
5 will technically expire in  
6 December because they only have  
7 a certain length of time that  
8 the actual bid is good for, so  
9 if we have to reevaluate so we  
10 would have to bring back to the  
11 table and meet with the user  
12 group to look at ways to cut  
13 costs and unfortunately where we  
14 would have to start cutting cost  
15 is the size of the building  
16 itself. We have to look at  
17 reducing square footage is the  
18 only way so we've gone numerous  
19 rounds of value engineering  
20 looking at all the components,  
21 taking out and really putting in

22 the must haves versus the wants,  
23 and so we think that really to  
24 get us down another 10 million  
25 or so you're looking at

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1 potentially reducing square  
2 footage, and so which could  
3 significantly impact you know a  
4 number of key things, so without  
5 necessarily meeting with the  
6 team if we reduce the square  
7 footage I'm not too sure what  
8 would do with the current  
9 drawings and submit an amendment  
10 to DSA because we reduced square  
11 footage and I am getting a nod  
12 from the audience and go back to  
13 DSA and we're making a  
14 significant change in the  
15 building and reduce square  
16 footage and relay the project  
17 significantly down the road, but  
18 that could be an option if the  
19 board chooses to do so.  
20 >> President Lewis: How many



21 months of delay do you expect  
22 ballpark?  
23 >> That's hard to say.  
24 Depending on the timing I would  
25 say at a minimum and again don't

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1 hold me to this. Somewhere at  
2 least six to nine months to get  
3 something back from DSA on the  
4 change like this and so before  
5 we can actually go out and rebid  
6 the project itself, and there's  
7 still necessarily not a  
8 guarantee that that we can get  
9 the cost reduced that much, and  
10 so it would be a gamble on how  
11 much do we reduce to save to get  
12 it back in line of the  
13 \$65 million budget? Potentially  
14 with the same time knowing that  
15 every month that we wait year  
16 adding another percentage point  
17 of escalation on top of the  
18 current bid that we received and

19 so it could have kind of a  
20 counter balance. We might look  
21 to cut out \$10 million but bids  
22 might come back that we only  
23 save six or \$7 million and so  
24 it's a gamble either way we do.  
25 >> Dr. Fierro: Good questions

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1 and good conversation. I think  
2 last time we tried to do  
3 something like that was with the  
4 field house, and that required  
5 additional drawings, which  
6 essentially incurs architectural  
7 cost and so on, so it will take  
8 longer than nine months but it's  
9 a good conversation to have on  
10 projects that are coming up on  
11 scope and design. I think the  
12 design has a lot to do with the  
13 cost of the buildings. Square  
14 corners are cheaper than  
15 beautiful round endings of  
16 buildings and things like that,  
17 so there will be probably

18 additional conversations, not  
19 necessarily on this building  
20 alone, but in subsequent  
21 buildings as to what type of  
22 style and design we want to see  
23 on construction. Traditional  
24 square buildings or rectangle  
25 buildings tend to be less

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1 expensive obviously but they're  
2 less visually attractive, and  
3 there will be compromises I  
4 guess at that point to be made,  
5 but I think the point that  
6 Trustee Perez brings is very  
7 important, not just for these  
8 buildings but for subsequent  
9 buildings to set some sort of  
10 guidelines and parameters as to  
11 what type of design we're going  
12 to adopt going into the future  
13 given the budget, and it is  
14 likely we will not be able to  
15 finish our construction budgets

16 under the current bond  
17 escalation continues to be the  
18 same.  
19 >> Right. To give you a sense  
20 of the preliminary bid results  
21 based on 80,000 square foot  
22 building. That equates to about  
23 \$955 per square foot. Utilizing  
24 that dollar amount if you want  
25 to get to the budget you would

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1 have to eliminate at least  
2 10,000 square feet reduce that  
3 building from 80,000 square foot  
4 70,000 square foot and it's  
5 quite a bit and go back where  
6 are we cutting? Where are we  
7 reducing? Could take time to  
8 make that significant reduction.  
9 >> Okay.  
10 >> Marisa Perez: And I think  
11 my concern here I guess is a  
12 couple things. One, I remember  
13 vividly we hired an architect  
14 who was a leader in Performing

15 Arts Center and architects had  
16 big visions, sometimes not with  
17 small public sector budgets so I  
18 think we need to be careful  
19 moving forward. I am sure it's  
20 going to be a beautiful building  
21 and a jewel for Cerritos College  
22 and the community for years but  
23 again I think we having to  
24 cognizant of that moving forward  
25 with the remaining buildings and

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1 especially if we have we do  
2 decide to go after -- or the  
3 voters support for another  
4 school bond. I think the other  
5 point is I think [INAUDIBLE] we  
6 need to figure out what to do  
7 with the Performing Arts Center  
8 to increase revenue for the  
9 college because I don't know how  
10 often it's going to be used. I  
11 don't know -- I don't know what  
12 it's going to be used for. I

13 don't. I know we have plays. I  
14 know we had a couple of  
15 convocation there, a dance, so I  
16 am hoping it's going to be very  
17 busy and down time to use that  
18 as an opportunity to get some  
19 revenue back to the college from  
20 that, so again I don't know. I  
21 am just a little concerned  
22 moving forward knowing that we  
23 today are -- correct me if I am  
24 wrong, \$85 million kind of in  
25 the hole. That's how I am

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1 viewing it. We're \$85 million  
2 in the hole and we still have --  
3 we haven't started performing  
4 arts or the Falcon Center or the  
5 health science so again I think  
6 the other key point is I still  
7 am -- I am sorry if everybody  
8 else gets it except for me. I  
9 don't get why we have an  
10 increase for advocacy with our  
11 legislators on the state funding

12 for our building because every  
13 time we talk -- we talk about  
14 every meeting at the CCC board  
15 meeting and I we have a state  
16 project and I don't know why  
17 we're not on the list and  
18 putting time and effort trying  
19 to make sure our state project  
20 gets on that list it maybe a lot  
21 cheaper. I mean to hire a  
22 lobbyist or whatever you need to  
23 do to get on the list and  
24 probably \$15,000, \$20,000 and  
25 seems like a good investment to

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1 have that state money and the  
2 first slide I think we were  
3 assuming we would get it but we  
4 haven't gotten it.  
5 >> No, we haven't gotten it.  
6 >> Please correct me if I am  
7 misunderstand and we need to put  
8 effort there and a huge amount  
9 of money that could help us and

10 85 million assuming we're  
11 getting the 10 million.  
12 >> Yes.  
13 >> That's one of the other  
14 things and it's really  
15 95 million.  
16 >> Just for clarification on  
17 the health science building.  
18 It's approved project --  
19 >> Not funded.  
20 >> Not funded yet so we will  
21 be it's just when is the  
22 difficult thing to do just based  
23 on the current Governor and his  
24 strategy of slowly rolling out  
25 projects on that --

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1 >> Every year there's a budget  
2 with list of ten projects and  
3 every year Cerritos College is  
4 not on the list ; right?  
5 >> Right. So haven't been in  
6 the last two budget cycles.  
7 Again we're hoping to be on the  
8 19-20 cycle on that, and so we



9 will be aware when the Governor  
10 releases his budget in January  
11 and realize that the January  
12 budget release is most likely  
13 going to be based on Governor  
14 Brown because Gavin doesn't come  
15 in until after the fact in  
16 December -- January time when he  
17 is sworn in.  
18 >> Dr. Fierro: Yeah, January.  
19 >> So he's not going to have  
20 any influence in the budget  
21 proposal with a couple of weeks  
22 to spare so his influence  
23 wouldn't be put into the budget  
24 until the May revise which the  
25 next major adjustment to the

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1 budget, so I wouldn't be  
2 hopeful. I wouldn't hold my  
3 breath to see our name on the  
4 list when the budget proposal  
5 comes out in January of 19, so  
6 but we are still working. We

7 have our team working on trying  
8 to get project at the top of the  
9 list. It's really the way the  
10 state works is based on a  
11 ranking system. We're ranked  
12 very high. We're trying to get  
13 ranked as high as we can to  
14 ensure we're on the list for the  
15 19-20 budget year.  
16 >> I am planning to be there  
17 on December 5. We're going to  
18 begin additional efforts with  
19 that and I will have subsequent  
20 meetings -- probably not  
21 December because after that it's  
22 difficult to get anyone there  
23 but starting in January again I  
24 will continue to make the trek  
25 there and see how much more

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1 leverage we can get on the  
2 project, but a couple of weeks  
3 come December 5 I will be there  
4 the whole day and trying to see  
5 what can be done, but the goal

6 of this round of advocacy is  
7 essentially to try to get the  
8 construction projects all fully  
9 funded, but obviously our  
10 interest will be to get ours  
11 funded.  
12 >> Okay. Any other questions?  
13 >> President Lewis: Is there  
14 any other project on our  
15 Facilities Master Plan that  
16 would be eligible for state  
17 funding other than the health  
18 science one that's currently?  
19 >> Yes, so currently we have  
20 "BELA," what we call "BELA"  
21 which is the business education  
22 building is potentially. We  
23 have IPP is initial project  
24 proposal that's in the queue  
25 right now for state funded.

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1 And also the child -- permanent  
2 child development building.  
3 Currently right now they're in

4 modulars, but the child  
5 development is also in the  
6 initial project proposal stages  
7 of potential state funding as  
8 well, and so the goal for us is  
9 to bring and leverage state  
10 funding as much as we can so  
11 we've changed consultants of who  
12 we use on the capital outlay  
13 planning, someone that  
14 specializes in state project  
15 funding and making sure our  
16 projects are getting to the top  
17 of the list at a faster rate  
18 than our counter parts across  
19 the state, so it's working, and  
20 so we have one that's at the  
21 very closest potential of  
22 getting funded and we have  
23 potentially two more coming on  
24 the heels of this project as  
25 well so I'm a big proponent of

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1 leveraging your bond dollars so  
2 our goal is try to get as many

3 state funded processes across  
4 that we can. It is a little bit  
5 complicated the way how they're  
6 allocating the \$2 billion of the  
7 current state bond because in  
8 reality of the 2 billion the way  
9 it works is we would only be  
10 able to get two projects funded  
11 out of that so they ended up  
12 taking the 2 billion, splitting  
13 it into a four year plan,  
14 splitting year one was over a  
15 two year time period and another  
16 billion over the latter part of  
17 it because there's so much unmet  
18 need they didn't want districts  
19 getting multiple projects  
20 funded. They have limited  
21 districts to be able to get  
22 funded one project in each  
23 series of the billion dollars on  
24 that, so if we're successful as  
25 the way the process works today

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1 we would only get two projects  
2 funded out of the current  
3 \$2 billion so we would be  
4 hopeful for another bond measure  
5 in 2020 so we could get multiple  
6 projects funded at a later time  
7 so even if we push as hard as we  
8 can just the way the process  
9 works we would potentially get a  
10 maximum of two projects.  
11 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
12 Thank you. Any other questions?  
13 Seeing none thank you.  
14 >> Thanks.  
15 >> President Lewis: Now we'll  
16 close out our open session with  
17 reports and comments from  
18 district officials starting with  
19 Student Trustee Phil Herrera.  
20 >> Thank you. So two  
21 Thursdays ago I had the  
22 opportunity to participate in  
23 ASCC's annual zombie fest. Just  
24 wanted to say thank you to the  
25 Cosmetology department. We have

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1 an amazing department that did  
2 my make up and I was a scary  
3 Pinocchio. Thank you to them.  
4 That night MECHA hosted a art  
5 gallery and invited Chicano  
6 artists to come to the fine art  
7 buildings and show their work as  
8 well as a few musical  
9 performances. That weekend I  
10 got to join some other ASCC  
11 members at the SSCCC Assembly  
12 and spent time with Trustees  
13 from all over the state. Last  
14 medicine MECHA had the annual  
15 event and thank everyone that  
16 supported the club fundraisers  
17 going on and just one quick  
18 shout out. I have been doing a  
19 little volunteer work for a  
20 campaign in south Whitter for  
21 the high school district so I  
22 wanted to shout out to Natalia  
23 and one of the newly elected  
24 School Board Members I was  
25 helping with the campaign. A

1 couple of other things. I have  
2 been working with Linda Ramos  
3 from the link program. Right  
4 now we're trying to get any  
5 volunteers or anyone who has  
6 left over textbooks that are  
7 within the last few editions  
8 because we're trying to have a  
9 holiday book drive so we're  
10 trying to get the word out if  
11 there is anyone that want  
12 donateds books can contact Linda  
13 from the link department and  
14 lastly this Friday I will be  
15 joining some members from the  
16 region eight Student Senate of  
17 California Community Colleges.  
18 That's our region because our  
19 Delegate -- our Chief Justice  
20 will be nominating me for a Vice  
21 Chair position so keep your  
22 fingers crossed for that.  
23 That's it.  
24 >> President Lewis: Thank



25 you. Trustee Perez.

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1 >> Marisa Perez: Thank you  
2 everybody for being here  
3 tonight. I just wanted to  
4 acknowledge everybody for the  
5 homecoming who put together the  
6 events for all the students for  
7 participating and the student  
8 groups and everybody in student  
9 activities for supporting  
10 wonderful celebration and  
11 tradition that we still have  
12 here at Cerritos College. I  
13 also wanted just to briefly talk  
14 about the Foundation Board  
15 meeting if that is okay. We had  
16 the Foundation Board meeting --  
17 I don't remember when, a couple  
18 of weeks ago now and for the  
19 college foundation and we're in  
20 the process much starting the  
21 search process for the Executive  
22 Director so again if anybody has  
23 any thoughts there is a job

24 announcement. We're still

25 taking comments on that and Dr.

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1 Fierro has that and an exciting

2 direction that the foundation is

3 going towards focusing on

4 raising money for our students,

5 so very exciting work going on,

6 so I just wanted to let

7 everybody know who is going on

8 with that. I wanted to actually

9 a special thanks to everybody

10 who came out. It was actually

11 the teacher track program to

12 Haskell middle school and came

13 out for the STEM Career Fair and

14 ABC so I was excited to see the

15 college represented this and

16 even more excited to bring home

17 a permission slip for my son who

18 will be visiting on Cerritos

19 College on a field trip at

20 school to visit the STEM

21 divisions. He told me "do I

22 have to go? I go to Cerritos  
23 College all the time" and  
24 absolutely you have to go and  
25 exciting for him to bring that

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1 home. I also wanted to  
2 congratulate everybody during  
3 the campaign yesterday. We have  
4 several new elected officials in  
5 our areas. I wanted to  
6 acknowledge also ABC Unified  
7 School District for the passage  
8 of their school bond, very  
9 exciting for the students and  
10 teachers of ABC Unified so thank  
11 you everybody on the board  
12 college for supporting. I  
13 wanted to acknowledge we have  
14 two new School Board Members and  
15 one of the K-12 partners,  
16 Bellflower Unified School  
17 District. We have Anita  
18 Armstrong and Richard Downey who  
19 won and new School Board Members  
20 and of course looking forward to

21 partnering with them as they  
22 represent Bellflower Unified  
23 school district so thank you  
24 very much.  
25 >> President Lewis: Thank

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1 you. Trustee Liu.  
2 >> Shin Liu: I always attend  
3 homecoming game. I admire all  
4 the creative floats. I attend  
5 ASCC meeting with Trustee  
6 Camacho-Rodriguez and  
7 Dr. Salazar and I was very envy  
8 for this college. They had  
9 internship. They were able to  
10 send their student to the  
11 Fortune 500 company for  
12 internship but it inspire us.  
13 We don't have Fortune 500 but we  
14 need to send our student to real  
15 work force. Okay. Even though  
16 we have summer internship but it  
17 is important to send the student  
18 to work force to learn to have

19 internship, and congratulations  
20 for Trustee Camacho and win the  
21 board position. Thank you.  
22 >> President Lewis: Thank  
23 you. Dr. Fierro.  
24 >> Dr. Fierro: Happy  
25 [INAUDIBLE] to the Native

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1 American friends and the  
2 festival of lights and I had the  
3 opportunity to attend the  
4 celebration of Artesia Cerritos  
5 with Dr. Liu and really good  
6 time and always really good  
7 food, so it's a great event. If  
8 you have nothing to do tomorrow  
9 night and even if you do this is  
10 probably a better event and  
11 [INAUDIBLE] is coming to  
12 Cerritos College but this time  
13 we will have a full performance  
14 at the Burnight. Last time we  
15 did it at the student center and  
16 great event and this time at  
17 Burnight and Frauline promised

18 to be twice as good as last year  
19 and hopefully you make it there  
20 I think it's going to be  
21 tomorrow and Friday. I know  
22 they have been practicing,  
23 rehearsing a lot, so it will be  
24 worth your time so please make  
25 the time to attend. Just to

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1 continue to add to the accolades  
2 of our college this weekend one  
3 of our faculty members,  
4 Dr. [INAUDIBLE], received the  
5 California business Education  
6 Association award. They only do  
7 one a year for the contributions  
8 that he had done to the business  
9 programs in the state. As you  
10 know our business programs is  
11 our fastest growing program, and  
12 responsible largely for the  
13 increase on certificates and  
14 degrees across campus. His  
15 programs has been helping other

16 community college and a model  
17 we're using in our college to  
18 create additional pathways and  
19 stackable credentials at  
20 Cerritos College so please help  
21 me congratulating him for his  
22 service to Cerritos College and  
23 obviously to the California  
24 business Education Association.  
25 Last week we had our Inaugural

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1 State of the College and it was  
2 a good event. We had a full  
3 house. We were actually  
4 concerned we were not going to  
5 have enough seats. It was an  
6 event sponsored by the Artesia  
7 Chamber of Commerce and the  
8 Cerritos Chamber of Commerce.  
9 We were trying to be  
10 conservative as to how the event  
11 would fold out but I think we  
12 have to grow the event rather  
13 quickly and make it a campus and  
14 community event rather than an

15 external event based on the last  
16 of attendance so we have  
17 received very large feedback so  
18 we're probably going to have the  
19 Norwalk Chamber of Commerce and  
20 Artesia Cerritos and a larger  
21 event than this year and we also  
22 have the K-12 partnerships in  
23 education where we had our  
24 Superintendents from the local  
25 districts come and visit us last

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1 week. The report was very good.  
2 The progress they have made in  
3 all projects across the district  
4 has been excellent. So thank  
5 you to everyone that has been  
6 involved in making sure this  
7 partnerships work. We also host  
8 the annual mojares --  
9 [speaking Spanish]  
10 conference and I am impressed  
11 with the work the ladies do in  
12 the community. It's amazing how



13 much work they do and  
14 essentially no budget. They are  
15 volunteers and they do all kinds  
16 of fundraising in different  
17 varieties. They have an office  
18 in Norwalk. They provide  
19 training. The conference they  
20 put here is actually broadcasted  
21 to the East Coast, different  
22 cities including New York and  
23 internationally to multiple  
24 cities in Mexico and there are  
25 hundreds of people that actually

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1 tune in via live, Facebook live  
2 to watch the conference. They  
3 usually have Council of Mexico  
4 for L.A. come and open the  
5 conference and this year was the  
6 only year that he did not come  
7 but not because he didn't want  
8 to. He was out of the country  
9 but sent the second in command  
10 to give the welcome so they do  
11 incredible work for the

12 community. I encourage you to  
13 collaborate with them. We have  
14 a contest coming up, essay  
15 contest coming up that they  
16 would provide scholarships.  
17 They are working with the  
18 English Department and they're  
19 also working with our culinary  
20 art team to provide Culinary  
21 Arts scholarships for three  
22 students on a food contest in  
23 two weeks I think. Thank you to  
24 everyone that participated in  
25 the Falcon day. A special thank

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1 you to staff and the  
2 collaboration that was there to  
3 create our Falcon day. It was  
4 well attended event and the  
5 feedback so far has been good.  
6 We're planning to make the  
7 Falcon day an annual event and  
8 grow it from here. It was a  
9 very good first one so thank you

10 to everyone that participated  
11 and if you see any of our  
12 another only student veterans  
13 but veterans in community please  
14 congratulate them. We're doing  
15 veterans week this week and had  
16 a series of activities with the  
17 student veterans and looking  
18 forward to seeing many of you at  
19 the local Veterans Day  
20 celebrations. That's it.  
21 >> President Lewis: Thank  
22 you. Trustee Camacho-Rodriguez.  
23 >> I have nothing to report.  
24 >> President Lewis: All  
25 right. I also attended the

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1 homecoming judging in the  
2 morning for the different floats  
3 and as usual each of the  
4 different clubs put in a great  
5 amount of effort and had some  
6 creative displays with this  
7 year's theme of board games, so  
8 that was always a delight to go

9 and judge each of those fleets  
10 and I look forward to going next  
11 year. Unfortunately I couldn't  
12 go to the homecoming at night as  
13 I have class Saturday nights for  
14 four hours interestingly enough,  
15 the only choice. Other than  
16 that I want to congratulate some  
17 members from my community who  
18 won their elections last night  
19 for Anna Valencia and Norwalk  
20 School Board and Nora Adams and  
21 the others that La Mirada and  
22 winning the seats for Norwalk La  
23 Mirada. I want to congratulate  
24 my colleague on potentially --  
25 we will wait for all the votes

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1 but currently in the lead for  
2 the Water Board and looking  
3 forward to that and that's the  
4 rest of my report so without any  
5 further comments on closed  
6 session and currently a read out

7 -- yeah read out. We will have  
8 a read out and we'll get that to  
9 you as soon as we finish that  
10 item and then continue with the  
11 rest of closed session. Thank  
12 you  
13 [GAVEL]  
14 >> (closed session).  
15 >> It is reported in close  
16 session the Board of Trustees  
17 approved a settlement agreement  
18 with case number as cited and  
19 authorized the Vice President of  
20 Human Resources and Assistant  
21 Superintendent to sign the  
22 agreement. The vote was four to  
23 zero to zero to three absent.  
24 The Board of Trustees here by  
25 authorizes the temporary

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1 appointment of Dr. Steve Levine  
2 as acting Dean of disabled  
3 students programs and services  
4 otherwise known as DSPS  
5 effectively currently and

6 continue until a Dean assumes  
7 the position and not to exceed  
8 to the date cited and will be  
9 based on the salary schedule and  
10 the vote was --  
11 >> [Off Mic].  
12 >> Acting Dean. That includes  
13 our read outs and we'll have no  
14 further read outs. Thank you so  
15 much.  
16 [GAVEL]  
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