

1 10-4-17 Cerritos Community  
2 College Board of Trustees  
3 Meeting. Please stand by for  
4 the meeting to begin. (low  
5 audio). (the captioner cannot  
6 hear the audio)  
7 >> -- Kern County, westlands  
8 and metropolitan to help foot  
9 that bill. It will be  
10 underwritten by Goldman Sachs.  
11 They have made that agreement  
12 already so that will put the  
13 money out for several  
14 generations close to 60 years so  
15 they're saying that although  
16 Westlands Water District whom  
17 receives with Kern County about  
18 70 of the water and taken out of  
19 the delta and they receive 70%  
20 and urban gets 30% and Westland  
21 even though they're opted out  
22 and financing are saying who is  
23 going to make up the difference  
24 and they're opting out and

25 they're going to of are the

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1 water so in terms of the actual  
2 cost the question it has been in  
3 the L.A. Times and covered by  
4 various newspapers throughout  
5 the country but the main thing  
6 we want to see if in terms of  
7 implements in the vote tomorrow  
8 central basin votes and Phil  
9 Hawkins represent this area and  
10 if you all -- things change  
11 daily and it's a lot of  
12 information but I have  
13 information for you all they  
14 will bring back to you for the  
15 board so you can all read it but  
16 basically they're independent  
17 economic analysis NRDC for the  
18 science portion of it so it's  
19 not we're an advocacy group. We  
20 help to get the information out  
21 to the various folks throughout  
22 the state in terms of the  
23 ratepayers. Metropolitan is in

24 the business of selling water so

25 they will have their

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1 information. They are giving  
2 the Board of Directors not the  
3 accurate information so we're  
4 flying to influence their  
5 decision so the ratepayers are  
6 not stuck with the bill of the  
7 portion that they're not going  
8 to receive of water if the  
9 tunnels were to be built so  
10 there's a lot of myths that they  
11 have out there and we have the  
12 facts and we have the different  
13 independent analysis of that so  
14 we wanted you away of it first  
15 and foremost because it will  
16 tremendously affect the students  
17 you're all serving and if so the  
18 call to action would be to let  
19 Mr. Hawkins know that because he  
20 has already stated he is for the  
21 tunnels so then therefore we

22 feel he is not properly  
23 representing his cities of  
24 Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos,  
25 Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood,

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1 Paramount, signal hill and  
2 Compton so that's the ask that  
3 we have for this evening and  
4 again I will come back with the  
5 information and give you your  
6 packet so you can follow up and  
7 we can also send it to you and  
8 click on the latest information  
9 that is out there.

10 >> President Lewis: Thank  
11 you.

12 >> Thank you.

13 >> President Lewis: And  
14 Jessica.

15 >> Thanks for having me. I  
16 just wanted to expand on what  
17 was just talked about for folks  
18 in the audience that don't know  
19 this. I'm in turn with food and  
20 water watch so I just learned

21 about this project two months  
22 ago so right now there's a  
23 couple of basis that Southern  
24 California gets our water. One  
25 of those is through the state

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1 water project which goes from  
2 the north delta down to the  
3 central water to Southern  
4 California. It was put in there  
5 by Jerry Brown's father Pat  
6 Brown, and in 1982 our current  
7 Governor Jerry Brown tried to  
8 pass the peripheral can and he  
9 will off of that project and  
10 bring more water down. That was  
11 voted down by us the residents  
12 in 1982 so in 2009 they took our  
13 vote away for this project which  
14 is like the peripheral canal  
15 reborn want the zombie water  
16 projects keep coming back and  
17 now the California water fix and  
18 two tunnels and 35 miles long

19 buried 150 feet below the delta  
20 and they will pull water and  
21 there's two twin tunnels. Los  
22 Angeles -- the Mayor has already  
23 passed a sustainable plan which  
24 says that we're trying to get  
25 off 50% imported water and yet

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1 our government is trying to push  
2 these twin tunnels to bring more  
3 imported water down when we need  
4 to invest in local  
5 infrastructure and local water  
6 projects such as stormwater  
7 capture, recycled water, gray  
8 water and groundwater. So the  
9 other thing I wanted to mention  
10 so they're going to cost between  
11 16 and \$67 billion so right now  
12 there's a couple different water  
13 districts who get to vote on  
14 this because our vote was taken  
15 away in 2009. One of of the  
16 biggest ones is metropolitan  
17 water district. They have 32

18 seats, 38 seats that span from  
19 San Diego to Ventura County and  
20 they have representatives  
21 depending what municipality you  
22 live in so as was mentioned  
23 there's one man who represents  
24 all the different  
25 municipalities. Los Angeles has

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1 five representatives. San Diego  
2 I think has five and so on and  
3 so forth, so and the public  
4 doesn't know about this so if  
5 you're available to turn out  
6 tomorrow central basin Water  
7 District on Telegraph Avenue is  
8 having their vote on whether to  
9 pass this at 10:00 a.m.. We  
10 will be in so if you would like  
11 to turn out for that just Google  
12 central basin water district or  
13 ask us and you can Google the  
14 California water fix. Look it  
15 up in the L.A. Times, the San

16 Jose Mercury News. There is a  
17 lot of transition done. As a  
18 millennial and living in Los  
19 Angeles we should focus on  
20 fixing the L.A. aqueduct and  
21 runs over the San Andreas fault  
22 and after the earthquake in  
23 Mexico I feel our water supply  
24 will be detrimental because it's  
25 over the fault line and that is

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1 some information and there is  
2 more in the packets that we will  
3 give you. Thank you so much for  
4 your time.  
5 >> President Lewis: Great.  
6 Thank you.  
7 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].  
8 >> President Lewis: We didn't  
9 get a card from this other  
10 person so --  
11 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic]  
12 INSTRUCTOR: President Lewis:  
13 What is your name ma'am?  
14 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].



15 >> President Lewis: Oh you  
16 didn't have a topic on there.  
17 Go ahead.  
18 >> So my name is Sara. I live  
19 in Paramount. I coming to you  
20 guys as a resident and I'm a  
21 community activist. I found in  
22 my area none of this information  
23 is being distributed to our  
24 residents, so it's kind of fun  
25 tow me that not many people know

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1 this is even going to happen,  
2 yet we're all going to have a  
3 great impact. Our water bills  
4 are going to go up but we're not  
5 going to get any of this water.  
6 I have been going to these  
7 meetings for several months as a  
8 resident and a lot of  
9 information that is being given  
10 is inaccurate. A lot of the  
11 numbers, a lot of the budgets --  
12 all of that is inaccurate and

13 it's just unbelievable to me how  
14 much misinformation is being  
15 distributed yet our residents do  
16 not know anything about this  
17 project. From what I have seen  
18 we're not going to get any jobs,  
19 no local jobs and our bills are  
20 going up but we're not going to  
21 see any of the water so to me  
22 that is not okay so I am urging  
23 any of you guys because it's  
24 going to impact everybody. It's  
25 going to impact you guys, your

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1 parents, your children, your  
2 grandchildren. This is a major  
3 vote they're going to have  
4 tomorrow, and we need to put our  
5 input. We need to let them know  
6 it's not okay and they need to  
7 vote no on the California water  
8 fix. Thank you.  
9 >> President Lewis: Thank  
10 you. Next we will have two  
11 speakers on the ASCC budget,

12 Vice President David Ramirez and  
13 Senator [INAUDIBLE] so David  
14 Ramirez first.  
15 >> Hello board. How's  
16 everyone doing? Doing good, all  
17 right. I I have a few Senators  
18 and Senator Alfredo and the  
19 liaison to the faculty. And  
20 Senator Perkins and [INAUDIBLE]  
21 and Chief Justice here and Dean  
22 Miller and myself here. I come  
23 in regards to comments plead at  
24 two board meetings ago regarding  
25 historically allocated amount

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1 from the vendor commissions that  
2 we have on campus. So I will  
3 start from the (paused). Last  
4 year ASCC funded DACA students  
5 to participate in a NASA or  
6 another program they wouldn't be  
7 able to attend due to the  
8 limitation of their undocumented  
9 status. We funded a rare

10 teaching opportunity for  
11 students to go to Taiwan to  
12 teach English and participate in  
13 a cross cultural event and  
14 partially funded by ASCC. We  
15 funded the Fine Arts department  
16 at our school for a total of  
17 \$115,000 which consists of the  
18 art gallery and film production  
19 and talent max and theater  
20 production and more. We fund  
21 student athletics department  
22 which is totaling \$216,000 and  
23 135. Also ASCC has  
24 organizational costs. We pay  
25 \$200,000 in classified salaries.

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1 That is non student salaries.  
2 We also pay (paused) and the fee  
3 that we charge and putting aside  
4 vendor income or the student fee  
5 the historically -- the fee  
6 we're fiscally responsible for.  
7 That takes up 70%, just the  
8 salaries, so what I am trying to

9 get to there was a comment  
10 regarding the transition of  
11 perhaps the vendor income from  
12 ASCC percentage of it, and if we  
13 were to divert any of that  
14 income you could see possibly a  
15 negative impact on the student  
16 services that we offer to  
17 students whether it be the Fine  
18 Arts or the athletics or DACA  
19 students who are funded through  
20 our program. I am speaking  
21 about this because the board  
22 allocated half a million dollars  
23 over the course of three years  
24 from the student store income  
25 and from the vending machine

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1 income and I fear that any  
2 further reallocation will harm  
3 the programs that we offer and  
4 reduce the quality and quantity  
5 like the library hours that we  
6 want to fund this year and in

7 the future years so I ask my  
8 Board Member representative  
9 Marisa Perez that she reconsider  
10 looking into these funds because  
11 they do -- every dollar goes to  
12 the students. Every dollar  
13 allocated goes to the students  
14 and ended up in students' hands  
15 and I wish to see that, not only  
16 myself by future kids that  
17 attend Cerritos College  
18 experience the same experience I  
19 have and that's it.  
20 >> President Lewis: Thank  
21 you. Next speaker.  
22 >> Good evening Board Members.  
23 You see me here a couple of  
24 times. Nice to see you again.  
25 Yeah, as a ASCC student leader I

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1 feel like this money really  
2 needs to stay with the students.  
3 We really benefit from this  
4 money and funding because not  
5 only is the quality but also the

6 stuff that we do to provide for  
7 the students. We really need  
8 the funding. I believe that  
9 this would be detrimental  
10 effects, not just now as  
11 millennials but as David said  
12 for my future kids that will  
13 come to Cerritos. I feel like I  
14 have to look out for them in the  
15 future. I am a immigrant  
16 student and a prodigy of  
17 Cerritos College upgrading me to  
18 a personality. I am who I am  
19 now because of the school and I  
20 would hate to see students not  
21 take on the opportunity they  
22 have right now so please I urge  
23 and encourage you please do not  
24 take these funds. It is needed  
25 and we're going to go pretty far

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1 with this and yeah, thank you.  
2 >> President Lewis: Thank  
3 you. Next we will have Cesar

4 Hernandez with the Dream Club  
5 and I stand with immigrants.  
6 [speaking Spanish]  
7 Good evening members of the  
8 Board of Trustees and guests.  
9 My name is Cesar Hernandez.  
10 Thank you for pronouncing it  
11 correctly and you may be aware  
12 on October 4 many students  
13 across the country are  
14 mobilizing in their respective  
15 campuses to promote solidarity  
16 with neighbors and peers and  
17 teachers and stand with  
18 immigrants. The Dream Club also  
19 stands with immigrants and we  
20 would like to thank you for the  
21 work of the Dreamers and Dr.  
22 Fierro that did this to every  
23 student to him and the AB 540  
24 and supporting the dreamers and  
25 faculty and staff supporting our

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1 students and nonetheless the  
2 work continues and the n months



3 will be tougher. We're are  
4 proud to working with the ASCC  
5 organizations to bring to campus  
6 some valuable resources for the  
7 students. We would like to  
8 extend this invitation of  
9 cooperation you to the Cerritos  
10 College Board of Trustees and  
11 provide the student body with  
12 more valuable resources in the  
13 coming months. Some things we  
14 would like your cooperation  
15 include future on campus access  
16 to legal consultation and nice  
17 safety protocol that the  
18 students and the faculty are  
19 informed about and to revisit  
20 the idea of creating a college  
21 Dream Resource Center so as  
22 current and future students with  
23 a location to look for resources  
24 and support. As a student I am  
25 proud to be part of this campus

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1 but as an undocumented student  
2 myself don't have the words to  
3 express my gratitude and I along  
4 with my Dream Club peers look  
5 forward to working with you.  
6 Thank you.  
7 >> President Lewis: Thank you  
8 [Applause]  
9 >> Hi. My name is Malia and  
10 --  
11 >> Did you turn in a card?  
12 Could you give a quick 30  
13 seconds  
14 >> I to want to say thank you  
15 for the school for letting us --  
16 giving us the opportunity --  
17 [INAUDIBLE] and I want to thank  
18 you. Thank you.  
19 >> President Lewis: Thank  
20 you.  
21 [Applause]  
22 >> President Lewis: Last  
23 speaker will be Pablo for just  
24 thank you to the board.  
25 >> Board Members, President

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1 Fierro, faculty, staff and  
2 students it's a pleasure to be  
3 here tonight. 12 years ago I  
4 was sitting in that Chair. I  
5 was Student Body President,  
6 Student Trustee. From then I  
7 went up to Berkeley and Columbia  
8 and I continue to do some  
9 impressive things and by chance  
10 I hear the ASCC talking about  
11 funding. Please fund them.  
12 It's because they -- we had the  
13 funding back then that I was  
14 able to go to Berkeley and  
15 Columbia and they're awesome  
16 people. The students that keep  
17 in touch they also went to  
18 amazing places because they have  
19 the funding and I'm not here  
20 lobbying for them even though  
21 it's a duty for them. It did  
22 wonderful for me. I am here to  
23 thank the board. I like to stop  
24 by time to time and say hi. I  
25 live in Florida I have a web

1 design business. Things are  
2 wonderful but I never forget  
3 Cerritos. This is where I  
4 started. I was in high school  
5 when I enrolled. I got very  
6 involved in ASCC within just a  
7 few months and it really changed  
8 my life even though I did go to  
9 Berkeley Columbia amazing  
10 institutions it is really is  
11 Cerritos that shaped who I am,  
12 my leadership skills, my  
13 learning experience. Berkeley  
14 was nice, really nice, but you  
15 cannot compare athletics with  
16 800 people that I had with a  
17 class with 20 people that I had  
18 in here they could go to the  
19 office hours of any professor  
20 and I did very often talk to  
21 them about whatever topics we  
22 were discussing in class. As  
23 any other topic we could think  
24 about and it was the interaction

25 that helped me and mean of my

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1 colleagues that we keep in  
2 touch. That's what helped us to  
3 grow as students and as leaders  
4 in the community, so from time  
5 to time I like to come by and  
6 thank all of you for the  
7 wonderful work that you're  
8 doing, and if there is any way  
9 that I can help now or in the  
10 future count on me. Thank you.

11 >> President Lewis: Thank  
12 you.

13 [Applause]

14 >> President Lewis: With that  
15 we'll move to reports and  
16 comments from constituent  
17 groups. Is there any constituent  
18 group wishing to give a report?  
19 Ms. Rosenblat.

20 >> Good evening Board of  
21 Trustees, President Fierro.  
22 First I want to thank the  
23 Administration and the Board

24 Members for responding to the

25 faculty request for on site

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1 legal assistance for the DACA

2 students. As I was listening to

3 them talk I can't believe where

4 we are in history that they have

5 to do that. anyway -- so now the

6 next thing I'm going to talk

7 about seems unimportant in

8 comparison so the delay that

9 CCFF and the district has had in

10 starting negotiations provided

11 me an opportunity to reveal to

12 you the interpretation of the

13 process that the district is

14 doing in the negotiations.

15 I think it's constructive for

16 all of us. I can tell from the

17 way we're organizing things that

18 we learned a lot from the last

19 time that we engaged in this

20 process, so by going through

21 mediation while painful it

22 showed us the value of long  
23 meetings and of focused  
24 attention on the problem. For  
25 those new to the board you my

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1 not realize that our union is  
2 only 14 years old but as the  
3 exclusive bargaining agent for  
4 faculty at this campus the  
5 district is required to  
6 negotiate with us for working  
7 conditions. We have much of our  
8 contract yet to be negotiated  
9 but most of it has already been  
10 written so this year we really  
11 have high hopes of being able to  
12 negotiate the rest but it's  
13 going to take a lot of work and  
14 a great deal of resource  
15 allocation from the district to  
16 enable the members of their team  
17 to be engage with us in a  
18 focused way and I understand  
19 that's a sacrifice that they  
20 will have to make, but we're

21 willing to make it and we're  
22 willing to meet with them in  
23 that way, so on the plus side of  
24 the situation thus far we've  
25 exchanged from ideas for a

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1 negotiating schedule, and it's  
2 great. The good part is we've  
3 agreed we need to meet often so  
4 we agreed to set aside most  
5 Fridays to do this. That's the  
6 plus side. The minus side is we  
7 have a difference of opinion of  
8 the length of those meetings and  
9 it's a difference of one hour  
10 which doesn't seem like a big  
11 deal. It seems like ridiculous  
12 but when you look at it over the  
13 course of the year that's almost  
14 three days of negotiations that  
15 are being reduced; right? When  
16 you see what we're sun shining  
17 when you see what is left to  
18 negotiate in the contract you



19 will understand why we need the  
20 time that we need. It's a bit  
21 unconscionable to work this long  
22 without the working condition in  
23 the contract and I know those  
24 that with the benefit of a  
25 unionized work place understand

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1 how important for the conditions  
2 to be delineated. It's not good  
3 for the faculty but the managers  
4 that have to work for them and  
5 good for everyone to I have  
6 shared understanding of the work  
7 share we're all in. The other  
8 thing that we're having a  
9 problem with is in mediation we  
10 were forced to work through  
11 difficult and thorny issues. We  
12 have to come to a compromise;  
13 however one of the practices  
14 that's left over from the  
15 dysfunctional negotiation  
16 process from before is that the  
17 district would like extra time

18 to reply to any proposals that  
19 we make. They're asking for  
20 three meetings. That could be  
21 21 days or a month between we  
22 give an initial proposal and we  
23 receive a response. Instead we  
24 would like to ask for 14 days or  
25 something like that because

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1 unless you're forced to talk  
2 through thorny issues compromise  
3 can't be reached and everyone  
4 becomes entrenched so to foster  
5 compromise you need to be forced  
6 to respond right away. Lastly  
7 since the district wasn't ready  
8 with their counter at the  
9 originally agreed upon time and  
10 the process of sun shining or  
11 sharing proposals is longer for  
12 the district it takes two board  
13 meetings I have a special  
14 request which I know is a huge  
15 imposition. On October 9

16 members of our negotiating team  
17 is meeting with the district's  
18 negotiating team which we will  
19 change proposals. We're not  
20 scheduled to come to a board  
21 meeting until the 18th. If  
22 there is any way to schedule a  
23 special session so we could have  
24 two public meetings so we can  
25 sunshine and give time for

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1 public comment that would help  
2 us out a lot because otherwise  
3 we have to wait until  
4 November 15 to do the second  
5 sunshine and we don't get  
6 started until November 20 and  
7 lost a month of negotiating team  
8 so if you could consider that  
9 request we would really  
10 appreciate it. Thank you very  
11 much.  
12 >> President Lewis: Thank  
13 you. Is there any other  
14 constituent group wishing to

15 give a report? April.  
16 >> I am here on behalf of the  
17 Faculty Senate and I want to  
18 echo Stephanie's comments and  
19 thank you to the board and the  
20 district for responding to the  
21 faculty and student responses  
22 and needs for legal assistance  
23 for our DACA students our  
24 undocumented students and now  
25 we're hoping that the next step

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1 that could be taken for  
2 processes and policies to be  
3 implemented so faculty and  
4 students know exactly what the  
5 campus will be doing if there is  
6 any sort of action taken kind on  
7 or around campus, specifically  
8 what our student speaker asked  
9 for if ice was on campus what  
10 are the policies and procedures  
11 so outlining those for faculty  
12 and staff and students I think

13 would be really helpful.  
14 >> President Lewis: Thank  
15 you. All right. With no more  
16 constituent group reports we  
17 will move on to the board  
18 advisory activities report which  
19 Jimmy Riordan of Tildon-Coil of  
20 give a report.  
21 >> Good evening. Thank you  
22 for a how long me to go the  
23 report. I am happy to answer  
24 any questions. There are  
25 various items on the agenda

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1 tonight regarding construction.  
2 Items ten through 18 are closing  
3 out the change orders and  
4 closing out the familiars of  
5 five additional contracts on the  
6 Fine Arts-CIS Math buildings.  
7 It brings that project to a  
8 total of 4.6% so it's in good  
9 order. There are some change  
10 orders for the multipurpose fire  
11 alarm project and closing that

12 out. A sizable credit in  
13 closing out the fiber  
14 infrastructure contract.  
15 There's a very first change  
16 order for the health wellness  
17 project which is the opportunity  
18 to put in some additional  
19 infrastructure to make way for  
20 some of the future campus  
21 projects as it relates to that  
22 site. There are three notices  
23 of completion and closing those  
24 contracts out from the Fine  
25 Arts-CIS Math project and a

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1 project assignment agreement  
2 with a field surveying for the  
3 upcoming performing arts  
4 project, and then there are the  
5 bid considerations for the  
6 anticipated social science  
7 elevator project. I am happy to  
8 answer any questions.  
9 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].

10 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
11 Dr. Fierro.  
12 >> Dr. Fierro: Jimmy could  
13 you expand on the elevator? I  
14 got some questions and I tried  
15 to give an explanation of it but  
16 if you could explain and it's  
17 recorded.  
18 >> The project involved?  
19 >> The details and that you  
20 shared with me.  
21 >> So the science elevator  
22 next door and plus a basement  
23 and heavily used on campus. The  
24 building is older and the  
25 elevator is older and at times

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1 when it's down need it is  
2 maintenance needs to be upgraded  
3 it's the only elevator in the  
4 building as again it was built  
5 decades ago so this is going to  
6 add an elevator to that building  
7 kind of on the south courtyard  
8 if you will. There San existing

9 out door stair case. This will  
10 be built next to that. it will  
11 serve the ground, second and  
12 third floors. It will be short  
13 steel bridge focus you will that  
14 connect the elevator tower to  
15 those stair cases. It's a  
16 modular elevator tower so the  
17 construction duration of it is a  
18 lot more efficient, a lot  
19 shorter than building it from  
20 scratch in the field. It has  
21 been DSA approved and these are  
22 the bids that now bid on that  
23 approval so the tower itself is  
24 going to look a lot nicer than  
25 when someone hears modular. It

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1 will have a plaster store front  
2 window and metal panel facade so  
3 it will tie into a look of the  
4 buildings on campus and the  
5 bridges with guardrails and  
6 similar to other buildings on



7 campus so it doesn't look like a  
8 temporary thing out of place.  
9 >> Dr. Fierro: And the  
10 construction that will take  
11 place during the winter months  
12 and the construction end?  
13 >> Thank you. The project is  
14 slated to begin in December.  
15 There's a lot of noisy and heavy  
16 work that we want to get done  
17 during the winter break. Some  
18 of that will continue into  
19 January and then essentially it  
20 would wrap up in summer so it  
21 would be online for the fall  
22 semester next year.  
23 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
24 Any other questions from any  
25 other Board Members? Seeing

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1 none thank you Jimmy.  
2 >> Thank you.  
3 >> President Lewis: All  
4 right. We move on to the  
5 Consent Calendar items, items

6 five through 35. I will  
7 entertain a motion at this time.  
8 >> Marisa Perez: I would like  
9 to pull items 31 and 32.  
10 >> President Lewis: Items 31  
11 and 32. Is there any other  
12 member wishing to pull items or  
13 make a motion for the rest of  
14 the items?  
15 >> Marisa Perez: Move  
16 approval.  
17 >> President Lewis: Is there  
18 a second? We have a motion for  
19 items 5- 35 excluding those  
20 items. Is there any objection  
21 to the adoption of the motion?  
22 Seeing none the motion passes  
23 and we'll move to Item 31.  
24 Trustee Perez.  
25 >> Marisa Perez: So thank you

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1 very much. This is just a  
2 follow up question on Item 31  
3 which is the social science

4 elevator. I read in the board  
5 report there were only two  
6 bidders who submitted bids out  
7 of the ten or 11 who came on the  
8 job block so I wanted to know  
9 why you thought so many bidders  
10 dropped off? And my second  
11 question is I thought we had  
12 decided we were going to  
13 mandatory job blocks and thought  
14 that was a barrier. I remember  
15 a conversation at the board we  
16 were going to do them and I'm  
17 not sure if that was part of the  
18 prequalifications or what that  
19 requirement is to encourage more  
20 local businesses to commit bids.  
21 >> President Lewis: Jimmy.  
22 >> Yes. Thank you for both  
23 questions. Regarding the two  
24 bids received out of the ten or  
25 more that attended the job walk.

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1 Typically there are a number of  
2 more companies that attend a job

3 walk. A lot of times they're  
4 sub-tier trades that come to  
5 learn more details about it.  
6 There were many, many more than  
7 even the ten that were invited  
8 to the project. This was  
9 pulling from the pull of  
10 prequalified contractors. Even  
11 at those job walks those  
12 companies size up the  
13 competition. The two firms that  
14 submitted bids they're very  
15 familiar with the campus. It's  
16 kind of been those two companies  
17 back and forth on a lot of the  
18 miscellaneous bid categories on  
19 the new buildings over the last  
20 few years. It wasn't surprising  
21 to us at all the lowest  
22 responsive bidder. They have  
23 some other active work on campus  
24 so they're already here  
25 currently as in the past.

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1 Regarding the mandatory job walk  
2 it's always a topic of preparing  
3 for a bid. The rule of thumb we  
4 changed to a year ago and a hot  
5 topic any kind of renovation or  
6 addition we wanted to definitely  
7 have mandatory job walks to  
8 further ensure the bidders had  
9 their feet on this campus that  
10 walked the exact site so that  
11 they're that much more aware of  
12 the details of what they're  
13 getting into it. Not as much of  
14 a concern to have those  
15 mandatory job walks all the time  
16 on a new construction of a new  
17 building where it's pretty much  
18 a open site and the plans are  
19 extremely detailed. Did that  
20 answer your question?  
21 >> Marisa Perez: Thank you.  
22 >> President.  
23 >> President Lewis: We will  
24 take a motion on Item 31. .  
25 >> Motion.

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1 >> President Lewis: Is there

2 a second?

3 >> Marisa Perez: Second.

4 >> President Lewis: We have a

5 motion and a second. Is there

6 any objection to the adoption of

7 the motion? Seeing none that

8 passes and move on Item 32 and

9 the health sciences renovation.

10 Trustee Perez.

11 >> Marisa Perez: I was

12 wondering if you could walk us

13 through because this is a budget

14 change for a project.

15 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].

16 >> President Lewis: Is the

17 mic on?

18 >> It is now. This is a budget

19 change to the final project

20 proposal that was approved by

21 the board in 2016 and then again

22 in 2017. Upon review this year

23 by the Chancellor's Office there

24 has been some changes to

25 classification codes and

1 supportive funding allowances as  
2 well as the construction cost  
3 index so they asked that we  
4 update it. We're asking the  
5 board to approve this new budget  
6 and basically certify that the  
7 local bond funds are available  
8 to match the state money.

9 >> Marisa Perez: Thank you  
10 David. In regards to state  
11 funding do we know where this  
12 project fits on the list of  
13 priorities for the state?

14 >> No. We do not exactly where  
15 it is as far as priority. We  
16 know it is approved, final  
17 project proposal. It is going  
18 to be funded eventually if not  
19 18-19, 19-20.

20 >> Dr. Fierro: Felipe.

21 >> And so it's kind of like  
22 David said we kind of have a  
23 general idea of speaking with  
24 the Chancellor's Office. What's

25 sometimes difficult as you would

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1 -- what we saw in the previous  
2 budget of the 17-18 originally  
3 there was a number of projects  
4 in there I think close to 30  
5 projects in there but the final  
6 signing got scaled back more and  
7 if the Governor passed those it  
8 would push it a year up but  
9 because they took half of the  
10 projects most likely the  
11 projects that didn't get funded  
12 in the 17-18 budget will be  
13 funded on next year's budget  
14 which then the following year  
15 potentially our project would be  
16 funded, but again it's really  
17 secretary to the Governor's  
18 discretion on how many projects  
19 are funded or not funded. You  
20 know obviously we will encourage  
21 the Chancellor's Office to  
22 submit a number of projects to  
23 hopefully include us in next



24 year's 17 -- yeah, 18-19 budget,

25 but there's really no guarantee.

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1 We know for sure it's approved  
2 project but where it's going to  
3 fall right now we're thinking  
4 it's most likely to fall some  
5 time in not next year's budget  
6 but the following year so that  
7 will make it 19-20 but what we  
8 know it is approved  
9 >> Marisa Perez: Okay. Thank  
10 you very much. That's what I  
11 was going to allude to there  
12 were 28 projects that were state  
13 funded and only 14 got funded in  
14 the Governor's budget and as you  
15 said the next 14 are the next  
16 round. I know this is pretty  
17 far along in the schedule so  
18 assuming best case scenario  
19 which I say it's best case  
20 scenario we would be funded for  
21 this project in 19-20. Does

22 this have impact on the  
23 construction schedule? And I  
24 don't remember how far this is.  
25 >> This is a standardized

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1 modernize. It wouldn't impact  
2 other schedules on campus.  
3 >> Marisa Perez: If the state  
4 decides they're going to pull  
5 out of funding projects and that  
6 is an area of discussion in the  
7 past and especially under  
8 Governor brown and as we wanted  
9 to move construction of  
10 education projects to the local  
11 governments. That's something  
12 he's said often and it should be  
13 our responsibility to fund the  
14 projects and the state shouldn't  
15 be no longer in the process so  
16 what is the back up source of  
17 funding for this? Do we have  
18 any excess capacity in Measure  
19 G?  
20 >> If you recall the last bond

21 summary update we did we do  
22 believe that there may be some  
23 potential for some excess bond  
24 funds. There may have been a --  
25 "BELA" may have been over

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1 estimated. That's something  
2 we're going to be reviewing in  
3 the future internally and  
4 perhaps a Master Plan update, so  
5 the answer to your question is  
6 yes, I think you may have an  
7 opportunity to come up with the  
8 funds for the full  
9 modernization.  
10 >> Marisa Perez: This is a  
11 very important project so I just  
12 want to make sure we don't  
13 forget about some of the  
14 renovations. We talked about  
15 one, the social science elevator  
16 and an issue for many years and  
17 I want to make sure this doesn't  
18 fall off the radar and with the

19 elevator and we're on the right  
20 path. Thank you.  
21 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].  
22 >> Okay. Thank you.  
23 >> President Lewis. Okay.  
24 Thank you. Without any further  
25 comment I will entertain a

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1 motion for adoption of this  
2 item.  
3 >> Marisa Perez: Move  
4 approval.  
5 >> Second.  
6 >> President Lewis: And  
7 there's a second without  
8 objection. Is there any  
9 objection to the adoption of  
10 this motion? Seeing none the  
11 motion passes. Then we move to  
12 Item 36 which is a three month  
13 look ahead schedule of RFP and  
14 RFQ solicitations. Is there any  
15 discussion on this? Okay.  
16 Receive and file. Motion to  
17 receive and file. Is there

18 anybody willing to make that  
19 motion?  
20 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].  
21 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
22 Motion to receive and file. Is  
23 there a second? .  
24 >> I will second.  
25 >> The President Lewis: Thank

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1 you. Is there any objection to  
2 the adoption of this motion?  
3 Seeing none the motions pas and  
4 we go to informational Item 37.  
5 Associated Students of Cerritos  
6 College financial report for the  
7 period ending June 30, 2017. I  
8 will entertain a motion to  
9 receive and file.  
10 >> Motion.  
11 >> President Lewis: There's a  
12 motion and a second. Is there  
13 any discussion or objection to  
14 the adoption of this motion?  
15 Seeing none we move on to Item

16 38, the College Coordinating  
17 Committee minutes. I will  
18 entertain another motion.  
19 >> Marisa Perez: Motion to  
20 receive and file.  
21 >> President Lewis: There's a  
22 motion. Is there a second?  
23 >> Shin Liu: Second.  
24 >> President Lewis: Is there  
25 any objection or discussion on

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1 this motion? Seeing none it  
2 passes and move to 39.  
3 Consideration of adoption of a  
4 Resolution codifying DACA into  
5 federal law. Is there any  
6 discussion on this or any motion  
7 on this?  
8 >> Marisa Perez: Move  
9 approval.  
10 >> President Lewis: Motion of  
11 approval. Is there a second?  
12 >> Second.  
13 >> President Lewis: All  
14 right. We have a motion and a

15 second. I want to say before  
16 the vote we are making this  
17 Resolution as a board to show  
18 the rest of the campus and our  
19 community throughout our region  
20 and state that we are here to  
21 support our students, and they  
22 are our students in our own  
23 community so it just completely  
24 makes sense to take a simple  
25 step as much as we can as a

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1 Board of Trustees for a local  
2 community college to effectively  
3 lobby our members of Congress to  
4 codify this law to make sure  
5 there is no confusion. There is  
6 no potential constitutional  
7 pitfalls but there is something  
8 solid that has been passed by  
9 our Congress, by the people we  
10 have elected to make these laws  
11 in the first place to ensure  
12 that the people that have driven

13 our communities especially here  
14 in Southern California are  
15 recognized and have the ability  
16 to come out of the shadows and  
17 be confident in being a part of  
18 our community, so without any  
19 other comments or discussions --  
20 >> Dr. Fierro: Just on your  
21 desk you find reference in case  
22 the federal immigration  
23 enforcement activities come to  
24 campus. We have been working on  
25 it and we're trying to move as

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1 quickly as possible on this  
2 thanks to Vice President Johnson  
3 for the work he's done and his  
4 team, so this is pretty much a  
5 final draft, but I just wanted  
6 to bring it to your attention so  
7 you look at it. If you have  
8 feedback we will take that  
9 feedback. We're going to move  
10 this pretty quickly. Doesn't  
11 necessarily have to go through



12 [INAUDIBLE] but we want to  
13 inform people and if there are  
14 any comments before we make it  
15 final but we're trying to move  
16 this as quickly as possible  
17 because this is very important  
18 to have not only the support  
19 that we're providing to the  
20 Resolution and the board is  
21 behind it but the in case of an  
22 emergency what we're going to do  
23 on campus. If you recall last  
24 board meeting Trustee Perez  
25 spoke about a few of the bills

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1 that are in our current  
2 legislation and right now there  
3 were a few but one that we took  
4 into further consideration and  
5 additional conversation is AB 21  
6 which is essentially is  
7 supporting this type of actions  
8 to have procedures and being  
9 communication with the

10 Chancellor's Office and with  
11 some of our support services so  
12 our students feel safe on  
13 campus. I don't know if Trustee  
14 Perez would like to add a little  
15 bit on that. I don't want to  
16 put you on the spot.  
17 >> Marisa Perez: No, I want  
18 to thank you everyone and AB 21  
19 is the bill that we talked about  
20 at our board meeting and talked  
21 about it with Dr. Fierro. There  
22 were some concerns and we said  
23 okay what can we do to give some  
24 quick reference guide and  
25 procedures for our faculty and

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1 our staff on campus. I  
2 appreciate this. I also wanted  
3 to recognize Stephanie too and  
4 she's the one that asked for it  
5 about a month ago now and glad  
6 we were able to circle back to  
7 your request on behalf of the  
8 faculty members and as Dr.

9 Fierro mentioned it's definitely  
10 open for feedback and comments  
11 but we want to make sure we can  
12 do the best to support our  
13 students and faculty and staff  
14 so thank you very much Dr.  
15 Fierro.  
16 >> President Lewis: Trustee  
17 Birkey.  
18 >> Board Member Birkey: Two  
19 points. I want to congratulate  
20 all the people that worked so  
21 hard for making that sure that's  
22 right happens on this campus and  
23 I think that's an important  
24 statement of our community.  
25 Secondly, I assume that this

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1 document effectively becomes a  
2 living document and as time goes  
3 on and circumstances evolve God  
4 forbid anything become more  
5 complicated and more difficult  
6 that we would expect that we

7 would update this in order to  
8 accommodate any unforeseen  
9 evolution as things move  
10 forward. Okay. Thank you.  
11 >> President Lewis: Anyone  
12 else wishing to make a comment?  
13 Trustee Perez.  
14 >> Marisa Perez: I have  
15 another comment and I want to  
16 thank Dr. Johnson and Dr. Fierro  
17 and everything that the AB task  
18 force was working on, our  
19 dreamer group, again student  
20 affairs and activities and  
21 counseling. It was a very  
22 exhaustive list and I just  
23 wanted to recognize and thank  
24 everybody for what they have  
25 done to support our dreamers

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1 throughout the school year so I  
2 wanted to recognize that too. I  
3 also just wanted to follow up in  
4 regards to our meeting with  
5 Congresswoman Linda Sanchez. As

6 I mentioned October 16 is DACA  
7 advocacy week across the State  
8 of California and as community  
9 colleges we have been asked to  
10 meet with our members of  
11 Congress that week to advocate  
12 on behalf of the students and  
13 Miya Walker and her team are  
14 putting together a meeting so I  
15 request any Board Members are  
16 able to come, any student or  
17 faculty leaders that would like  
18 to attend I think this is an  
19 important meeting. Again  
20 Congresswoman San big supporter  
21 and she's a strong voice and we  
22 need to keep remind her that  
23 these issues impact Cerritos  
24 College with our close to 1,000  
25 dreamer students and wanted to

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1 do that plug so any of you could  
2 attend as well. Thank you very  
3 much.

4 >> President Lewis: Okay.  
5 Thank you. Without any other  
6 comments from any other members  
7 I will entertain a motion to  
8 adopt this Resolution. Oh we  
9 did? You're right. We will  
10 take -- is there any objection  
11 to the adoption of this motion?  
12 Seeing none the motion passes  
13 unanimously and we stand with  
14 those DACA students. Next we  
15 will move on to the Item 40  
16 consideration of approval to  
17 award a bond underwriting  
18 services agreement with Morgan  
19 Stanley LLC for Cerritos College  
20 investment banking and bond  
21 underwriting services. Dr.  
22 Fierro.  
23 >> Dr. Fierro: Before you  
24 make a motion if you don't mind  
25 Vice President Lopez would you

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1 walk us through the process, the  
2 reason we're looking into bond

3 under writing and some of the  
4 benefits of moving into this  
5 direction please.  
6 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic] we  
7 previously were contracted for  
8 our bond underwriting with three  
9 individual firms, and the way  
10 our current contract was  
11 structured somewhat for few  
12 struck sometimes puts us in a  
13 disadvantage and looking at our  
14 previous bond issuances  
15 regarding Measure G and some of  
16 the refinancing and just some  
17 actions with the current time I  
18 felt it necessary and at the  
19 benefit of the institution to go  
20 out and rebid for bond  
21 underwriting services for a  
22 number of reasons. One is  
23 really kind of focusing on our  
24 need currently looking at the  
25 actual proper team evaluating

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1 the actual team members. We  
2 have brought on something  
3 different that we have on staff  
4 now -- or not necessarily on  
5 staff but on contract is we also  
6 have contracted with a financial  
7 adviser or what they call a  
8 municipal adviser. The law has  
9 changed quite a bit over a  
10 number of years where the  
11 underwriter or banker somewhat  
12 laid a dual role of underwriting  
13 services at the same time  
14 playing your financial adviser  
15 but obviously the SCC has issued  
16 a number of new laws preventing  
17 this, so now every district  
18 receives some type of  
19 communication from the actual  
20 underwriting stating we're no  
21 longer -- we don't provide --  
22 our fiduciary responsibility is  
23 to the investor not the district  
24 which means is the district  
25 itself needs to have its own

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1 fiduciary and make sure we have  
2 the expertise to be able to  
3 review documents on it and not  
4 necessarily completely relying  
5 on Bond Council on look at a  
6 number of things so we went  
7 ahead and secured an agreement  
8 with a financial visier and we  
9 have been working with the  
10 visier in this process. We went  
11 out to RFP. We had a number of  
12 participants. I believe we had  
13 a total of seven and the seven  
14 that we received were pretty  
15 much the players within  
16 community college and K-12 and  
17 municipalities across the board.  
18 A lot of our tactical  
19 overwhelming had two stand outs  
20 right off the bat and which are  
21 listed in the materials. And  
22 then we kind of began the  
23 negotiations on with each of the  
24 firms and we ultimately made the  
25 decision the best value is to

1 move forward with Morgan Stanley  
2 and so we think that overall  
3 this will provide a much  
4 comparable rate, a fee structure  
5 with Morgan Stanley. Another  
6 thing we embedded in is the way  
7 underwriting services work is  
8 you can't necessarily negotiate  
9 a catch all fee in the front end  
10 because a lot of the market  
11 changes dramatically. One year  
12 you could have dealing with high  
13 interest rates and another year  
14 dealing with low interest rates,  
15 and so you can't necessarily  
16 pinpoint an actual set fee  
17 that's going to just work across  
18 the board. If you do so most  
19 likely it's going to be at your  
20 disadvantage, so we have built  
21 in that the fee is actually  
22 prenegotiated before any  
23 issuances is actually done, so  
24 that will actually assist the

25 district in better negotiating a

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1 better rate depending on the  
2 market value of what's actually  
3 happened. When rates are great  
4 historically low, which we think  
5 are still going to continue, it  
6 works to our advantage to be  
7 able to negotiate a much lower  
8 rate than -- because obviously  
9 the banker has to assume you  
10 know what? We have to have some  
11 skin in the game as well so this  
12 allows us to be even more  
13 competitive and lower down  
14 overall cost of issuance costs,  
15 and I think it's a great  
16 strategy that we can do working  
17 with the financial adviser and  
18 team to get the best value  
19 possible as we issue in the next  
20 round. We will be moving pretty  
21 quickly on issuing once this is  
22 approved. Earlier this year we  
23 approved a Resolution. One of

24 the requirements that we have to

25 notify the tax collector for

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1 L.A. County notifying them we  
2 would be levying taxes in the  
3 amount so we plan to issue  
4 \$75 million of new money this  
5 year. Our bond dollars are  
6 getting pretty low so we have to  
7 issue likely by the end of this  
8 year because we have a lot of  
9 activity especially with the  
10 health and wellness project  
11 really kicking off and as it  
12 moves into multiple trades we  
13 have a lot going out and it's  
14 dwindling the actual first  
15 issuance of Measure G so we will  
16 issue another series of bonds  
17 soon. Right now we have  
18 250 million still available that  
19 has been unissued on Measure G.  
20 And do the remaining left on  
21 the authorization and so with

22 this we would be moving fairly  
23 quickly. Our next meeting we  
24 should expect to see some type  
25 of documents and presentations

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1 providing you regarding market  
2 rates, how the market is  
3 shaping, what we think we can  
4 get looking at assessed  
5 valuations, AV growth, which is  
6 pretty favorable for our  
7 district. We will be also  
8 preparing to a bond rating  
9 meetings with both -- it's still  
10 up in the air how the strategy  
11 that we want to play out with  
12 this so we're currently working  
13 with our financial visier to  
14 look at potentially going after  
15 a Triple A rating. There is  
16 some new law that allows us the  
17 potential to go for a Triple A  
18 rating based on the secured  
19 taxes of our property taxes how  
20 the bonds are actually repaid so

21 we will be providing a lot of  
22 information in the next coming  
23 months in preparation of issuing  
24 these bonds, so a lot is going  
25 to be coming forward to you. We

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1 will be providing some  
2 presentations on some of the  
3 costs and some of the rates that  
4 we're looking at and as we  
5 prepare for our meetings with  
6 the potentially SNP and Moody's  
7 for our bond rating. We're  
8 prepared to get a credit  
9 increase and that's our  
10 anticipation and that's what  
11 we're going to work for to get a  
12 boost in our actual credit  
13 rating that. would hold well on  
14 the pricing of the bonds so  
15 there's a lot of moving parts on  
16 that and this is primarily the  
17 reason we wanted to make a  
18 change to ensure that that we

19 had a team that is willing to  
20 work and put in some effort of  
21 getting things to our  
22 satisfaction and not necessary  
23 to the satisfaction of the  
24 underwriter.  
25 >> President Lewis: Okay. Is

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1 there any questions or  
2 discussion from any Board  
3 Members?  
4 >> Board Member Birkey: Just  
5 a quick one.  
6 >> President Lewis: Trustee  
7 Birkey.  
8 >> Board Member Birkey: Who  
9 is the person?  
10 >> We have one of the heavy  
11 hitters in municipality of  
12 financial vising within K-12 and  
13 community college specifically.  
14 >> One question so what's our  
15 credit rating right now.  
16 >> Don't quote me but I  
17 believe we are a Double A plus

18 but I can bring that information  
19 back to you. I don't have it  
20 but I think the last time I am  
21 just thinking off memory. I  
22 think we're at a Double A plus  
23 or Double A minus, right around  
24 there.  
25 >> Dr. Fierro: That's

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1 relatively typical for  
2 California bonds. Usually  
3 Double A plus, Double A minus.  
4 Most of the state municipal  
5 bonds in the recent years have  
6 been on the Double A, not on the  
7 Triple A.  
8 >> So there has been some  
9 movement especially with the new  
10 SB I forget the number on it  
11 that put emphasis on the secured  
12 property taxes because really  
13 there's unlikely for any  
14 delinquency on repaying the bond  
15 just how the property taxes in



16 California are set. We have a  
17 very strict property tax. It's  
18 called ad valorem taxes and  
19 secured to the actual property  
20 owners which is unlike most  
21 states in the United States, and  
22 so that puts even added emphasis  
23 on the reliability of the actual  
24 payment which typically could  
25 see credit ratings actually

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1 increase on it. There is  
2 probably about a handful of  
3 districts in the state that  
4 actually have gotten the Triple  
5 A I think San Diego Community  
6 College district being one of  
7 them got one recently, and I  
8 also think -- it's mainly the  
9 bigger districts that are  
10 getting them because they have a  
11 lot -- you know, I think even  
12 L.A. tried to get the Triple A  
13 which I think they were  
14 successful in if I recall

15 correctly but there's only a  
16 slim handful of people trying to  
17 get the Triple A. There is some  
18 cross benefit. You know there  
19 are pros and cons on that.  
20 Going after the Triple A  
21 requires you -- there is only  
22 one credit agency giving the  
23 Triple A right now and that is  
24 Finch and typically not one of  
25 the big two out there your

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1 typical credit ratings are S&P  
2 and moody and I believe S&P has  
3 come out and said we won't give  
4 a Triple A the rating based on  
5 the assumption of the property  
6 taxes. They look at it more  
7 quantitative at the district  
8 level as well, but you know you  
9 do have to on getting the Triple  
10 A and once we have the banker on  
11 board and am can up with the  
12 strategies to determine whether

13 it's cost effective for us to do  
14 that and whether or not we would  
15 get any value on that so we  
16 might be leaning -- maybe it's  
17 not value for us at this time  
18 because the rates are so low I  
19 don't think we would get any  
20 benefit on it unless we can  
21 actually get a true Triple A on  
22 that, so those are  
23 determinations that we would be  
24 working with our consultants.  
25 >> President Lewis: Okay. Is

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1 there any other questions or  
2 discussion? Seeing none I will  
3 entertain a motion.  
4 >> Move approval.  
5 >> President Lewis: Is there  
6 a second?  
7 >> Second.  
8 >> President Lewis: We have a  
9 motion and a second. Is there  
10 any Trustee objecting to the  
11 adoption of this motion? Seeing

12 none the motion passes. And we  
13 move to reports and comments  
14 from district officials starting  
15 with Student Trustee Avalos.  
16 >> Student Trustee Avalos: I  
17 just want to thank Dr. Fierro  
18 for the invitation to the  
19 summit. It was a great  
20 experience. I got to meet a lot  
21 of start up companies. Actually  
22 got a -- you know the start up  
23 company to you know get me to  
24 talk to them more and they're  
25 asking for so much information

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1 they was willing to relocate to  
2 Connecticut to work for the  
3 company and well not right now  
4 but it was a great event, three  
5 awesome days. I wish I could  
6 have stayed longer to meet more  
7 people but we were spread over.  
8 I met my favorite fund manager  
9 ray [INAUDIBLE] and I got my

10 book signed by him and thanks.  
11 >> Thank you. Trustee cam  
12 macho.  
13 >> Nothing at this time.  
14 >> Trustee Perez.  
15 >> Marisa Perez: I want to  
16 thank everyone involved with the  
17 function and I attended the  
18 luncheon and it was fantastic.  
19 I want to thank everybody who  
20 served on the community and the  
21 speak I think they were  
22 interesting and interesting to  
23 see the sectors growing in the  
24 area and what we can do at  
25 Cerritos College with the

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1 manufacturers and health care  
2 and manufacturing and areas  
3 where the residents are employed  
4 so it was wonderful. I loved  
5 everything about it and looking  
6 forward to that and thank you to  
7 Dr. Fierro for your leadership  
8 on that. I was pleased to

9 represent the college at at  
10 Hawaiian Gardens fun run and  
11 encourage the local students and  
12 ABC unified to live more healthy  
13 lifestyles and fantastic and I  
14 remembered I should have invited  
15 our health services student so  
16 next year Dr. Johnson it's a  
17 health fair and of course USC  
18 was here recruiting for their  
19 program and why aren't we  
20 recruiting because we do a lot  
21 in that area too and next area I  
22 will remind you of the event and  
23 wonderful event to support the  
24 district and pleased to be  
25 there. Thank you.

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1 >> President Lewis: Thank  
2 you. Dr. Fierro.  
3 >> Dr. Fierro: So I'm going  
4 to say that I am jealous Raul  
5 and obviously I can't attend the  
6 30 under 30 so I am glad you had

7 a good time. I would like to  
8 recognize our faculty and I  
9 explained this a little bit. We  
10 have pretty much only community  
11 college on I think it's the only  
12 one, pretty much the only one  
13 undergraduate journal on  
14 philosophy and religion. This  
15 is strictly written by students  
16 and it's actually very well put  
17 together, well published, and  
18 the interesting part of that and  
19 what makes it more special than  
20 it is there is a collaboration  
21 between three faculty members  
22 from three different  
23 institutions from Cerritos  
24 College, Barstow and Victor  
25 Valley so Timothy Chapman is one

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1 of the adjunct faculty and  
2 involved in the Philosophy Club  
3 and all the talks that happen on  
4 campus -- [INAUDIBLE] Barstow  
5 Community College, Daniel --

6 [INAUDIBLE] and my understanding  
7 is the three of them are part  
8 time faculty really going above  
9 and finished what is supposed to  
10 happen in the classroom and  
11 engaging the students to produce  
12 this type of writing. The  
13 writing is good and this  
14 includes the tutoring on writing  
15 and philosophy that happens in  
16 the Philosophy Department, so  
17 there are some hours there that  
18 are available for students to go  
19 and get practice on the writing  
20 but not necessarily English --  
21 you know traditional English  
22 writing but the students seem to  
23 find a lot of interest in  
24 writing in the subject they're  
25 passionate about and it's clear

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1 based on this publication so I  
2 would like to recognize  
3 obviously our students and



4 especially our faculty, adjunct  
5 faculty team for really going  
6 above and beyond what is  
7 expected to do in the classroom  
8 so I will get you guys some  
9 copies of this and it's very  
10 good. Again with the DACA  
11 support I want to thank everyone  
12 that has been helping and  
13 providing support to our  
14 students. Thank you to the  
15 board for passing the Resolution  
16 and standing behind and if not  
17 in front of our students and  
18 taking the heat when it needs to  
19 be taken so thank you very much.  
20 Thank you to staff, to faculty,  
21 administrators and so on. Yes  
22 helping DACA is great but  
23 remember DACA is a small portion  
24 of this conversation. I like  
25 the shirts that we got today

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1 because it says "immigrants"  
2 and the young man they spoke

3 with today meets the DACA  
4 deadline by just a little bit  
5 meaning he was too old to be  
6 able to apply, but the only  
7 country he actually knows is  
8 this one, so the issue goes  
9 beyond DACA and I think we need  
10 to talk a little bit more about  
11 the support of our immigrant  
12 students and the immigrants in  
13 our community rather than only  
14 DACA. Remember DACA is only  
15 800,000 students and 225,000 in  
16 California but when talking  
17 about the immigrant population  
18 we're talking about a very large  
19 segment of the population, so I  
20 encourage you to -- yes to  
21 continue support and stand with  
22 DACA but to expand your  
23 conversation into the support of  
24 our immigrant students that we  
25 have plenty of them on campus,

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1 not just DACA students.  
2 October 14 we will be running  
3 half marathon with the veterans,  
4 so if you're ready to run half a  
5 marathon please join us. If  
6 you're not please cheer us up.  
7 I will be trying to run it  
8 because I got injured but I will  
9 still try so October 14. It's  
10 about 12, 14 student veterans  
11 that are participating in the  
12 event and it has been great fun  
13 to train with them. Hispanic  
14 Heritage Month is going on right  
15 now so I encourage you to stop  
16 by some of the sessions. There  
17 of course a number of sessions  
18 and they will continue to be  
19 this week and next week so I  
20 encourage everyone to go back  
21 and take a look. Student  
22 posters I had the opportunity to  
23 attend the summer research  
24 project in our science  
25 department, and yet again our

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1 students did a fantastic job on  
2 researching obviously and  
3 faculty supporting them to do  
4 this work. The presentations  
5 were outstanding. I was  
6 impressed the way they were  
7 presenting the information. It  
8 clear they knew what they were  
9 talking about and how passionate  
10 there were about the subject.  
11 In fact one of the presenters  
12 started the internship as a  
13 particular major and she was  
14 going and came back and she  
15 became a double major because  
16 she wanted to go into Archeology  
17 and had information about the  
18 digs. They all had the luck of  
19 finding an actual bone and be  
20 able to dig it out and  
21 apparently you dig it out and  
22 not a lot of chances can you  
23 take it with you when you find  
24 it because it's actually very  
25 complicated to get it out

1 without damaging the bone and  
2 other things and that's all for  
3 my report.

4 >> President Lewis: Thank  
5 you. Dr. Liu.

6 >> Shin Liu: I want to invite  
7 all of you to come to city of  
8 Artesia for International Street  
9 Fair day. That is October 7 on  
10 Saturday and you will see all  
11 kind of diverse culture and food  
12 over there, and Tony will hold a  
13 table right there I will help  
14 and we will promote our new  
15 Study Abroad Program and I want  
16 to also tell everybody happy  
17 moon festival day. Today is  
18 Chinese moon festival and it's  
19 most beautiful and please take a  
20 look when you go outside.

21 >> President Lewis: Trustee  
22 Birkey.

23 >> Board Member Birkey: I  
24 want to echo how enjoyable it

25 was to go to the Cerritos

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1 College economic summit. A week  
2 ago I picked up where you left  
3 off, enjoyed the afternoon  
4 portion. I thought it was  
5 really inspiring especially some  
6 of the closing remarks how a lot  
7 of the cities in our community  
8 often get too busy fighting each  
9 other for resources instead of  
10 collaborating as one bigger unit  
11 within the conversation of  
12 California, and Cerritos College  
13 is one of the few entities that  
14 really acts as a platform which  
15 we can learn how southeast L.A.  
16 County can become more of a  
17 unified voice so we can have  
18 some of the same political power  
19 and economic voice that the City  
20 of L.A. or Long Beach or other  
21 areas have so I thought that was  
22 really encouraging. I think  
23 also I wanted to say thanks to

24 the Cerritos College football  
25 team for their great win that I

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1 got to enjoy a week and a half  
2 ago. Great running game. I  
3 didn't realize our running game  
4 was that great. Sorry about  
5 last week and we didn't pull  
6 that out and Golden West and  
7 they think twice about coming  
8 our way next time and should  
9 definitely go without saying I  
10 want to thank all the DACA  
11 students who have had so much  
12 courage to actually be voicing  
13 this issue around immigration  
14 and it's good for all of us to  
15 support them, but it's  
16 especially important for us to  
17 understand the risks that these  
18 young people are taking my  
19 standing up and using their  
20 political voice which there's  
21 very few things that are more

22 American than that and that  
23 should teach us all a little  
24 something. Thank you.  
25 >> President Lewis: Thank

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1 you. Trustee Salazar.  
2 >> Sandra Salazar: Good  
3 evening. I alsod that attended  
4 the the economic development  
5 summit. I want to thank Dr.  
6 Fierro's leadership and create  
7 the summit and looking forward  
8 to it next year and my favorite  
9 panel was the one on STEM and I  
10 am a little biased but I wanted  
11 to thank [INAUDIBLE] the various  
12 people and the Downey Mayor and  
13 thank them and she sponsored the  
14 breakfast and the lunch and as  
15 we move on to the next year we  
16 can expand it and have more  
17 attendance but I was very happy  
18 with this first one. Also I  
19 attended -- I represented  
20 Cerritos College at the



21 association of community college  
22 trustees conference in Las Vegas  
23 I believe last week, the week  
24 before that, but notable Dr.  
25 Fierro presented on the capital

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1 campaign and on a panel as well  
2 as Cerritos College complete and  
3 put us on the national map for  
4 that so I think Dr. Fierro  
5 didn't mention that but I wanted  
6 to give him congratulations for  
7 a good presentation at the  
8 conference. And lastly I wanted  
9 to thank the faculty for their  
10 support for our DACA students  
11 especially Ted who saw a need  
12 and stepped up and reached out  
13 to us as a board as to our  
14 President and happy to hear that  
15 Dr. Fierro was already on it,  
16 already working on it and we  
17 were able to have the quick turn  
18 around to provide those legal

19 representation or consultation  
20 and to hear that some of the  
21 function Board Member who is are  
22 attorneys actually volunteered  
23 for some of the services so  
24 again it's a community effort  
25 and as a college I think we're

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1 showing that that we're all  
2 trying to be supportive of our  
3 students so they can achieve  
4 their dreams and I wanted to  
5 thank the faculty because they  
6 are the front line so I think  
7 Stephanie for her concerns as  
8 well and really bringing that up  
9 and really what do we do? What  
10 happens? What protocols are in  
11 place? So I think we need to  
12 have those discussions and  
13 really have that transparency  
14 and openness and have the  
15 ability to talk together and  
16 figure it out together as these  
17 are uncertain times and I think

18 our students -- we're here to  
19 serve our students and more  
20 importantly there is a lot of  
21 fear and if we can work together  
22 we can all be safe and let our  
23 students really concentrate on  
24 their studies but I want to  
25 thank everyone for that and

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1 Steven for also being supportive  
2 and really everybody because I  
3 think it's been a collective  
4 campus effort to make sure that  
5 the students and other students  
6 as well are supported and  
7 getting their needs met so I  
8 wanted to touch on that as well.  
9 >> President Lewis: All  
10 right. Thank you. So I had the  
11 opportunity to go to the La  
12 Mirada Chamber of Commerce  
13 yesterday. They have a monthly  
14 meeting at Polly pies on  
15 Rosecrans and beach and it's

16 definitely grown in the last  
17 year and I announced as I will  
18 announce here there is a taste  
19 of new Eva Latino Mediterranean  
20 that is hosted at noon so if you  
21 are interested in eating that  
22 food for \$15 and a fine meal --  
23 >> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic].  
24 >> There you go, best deal in  
25 town, best deal in the county as

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1 they say and so if you're  
2 interested in that you can  
3 reserve your spot online and  
4 bring any person you want to  
5 enjoy and bring those along so  
6 with that also I want to say  
7 happy -- [INAUDIBLE] which is  
8 the Korean Harvest Festival in  
9 which it's a holiday where  
10 Koreans visit their ancestral  
11 hometowns and in traditional  
12 food in celebration of the good  
13 harvest so to the Korean  
14 community we want to wish you

15 Happy Holidays as you return to  
16 Korea or celebrate it in your  
17 community here in the area and  
18 also.d to invite everybody after  
19 they go to the international  
20 festival in Artesia to come to  
21 the foster road and St. Paul  
22 festival that's over on Valley  
23 View and foster road in which  
24 the church St. Paul of the cross  
25 host an event there in the park

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1 for students there and for the  
2 rest of the community there  
3 where there will be just as you  
4 imagine any carnival and have  
5 good bands coming out and good  
6 food and all put together by  
7 volunteers so you can come out  
8 to La Mirada and check that out.  
9 We would be happy to have you  
10 there. So with that we will be  
11 going into close session which  
12 includes four items. Two

13 significant exposures to  
14 litigation, one salary  
15 adjustment consideration and a  
16 conference with labor  
17 negotiators. So without any  
18 comment on any of these close  
19 session items from the audience  
20 we will move into close session.  
21 Thank you.  
22 [GAVEL]  
23 There will be one read out,  
24 yeah. (closed session)  
25 >> The Board of Trustees

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1 denies the claim of Antonia  
2 Westerdale and approves the  
3 claim of Victor Deemak and in  
4 addition in close session the  
5 Board of Trustees -- I'm sorry.  
6 I will say that again. Okay.  
7 Now we have four. Let's try  
8 that again. In close session  
9 the Board of Trustees denies the  
10 claim from Antonia Westerdale  
11 and approves the claim from

12 Victor Deemak not to exceed the  
13 amount listed and the Board of  
14 Trustees took revision of the  
15 hourly rate of the short term --  
16 (low audio) from \$10.50 an hour  
17 to ten -- (inaudible) effective  
18 on the date listed and vote was  
19 six yeses and zero nos and one  
20 absent. Thank you. With that  
21 that ends our meeting tonight.  
22 [GAVEL]  
23 Thank you.  
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