

>> President Shin Liu: Good evening. Welcome. Let's start tonight's meeting December 7.

Let's start with invocation.

All right. Zurich can you lead the Pledge of Allegiance?

>> Please stand.

>> I pledge allegiance to the flag to the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

>> Board President Shin Liu.

>> Here.

>> Board Vice President Marisa Perez.

>> Here.

>> Board Clerk Zurich Lewis.

>> Here.

>> Member Sandra Salazar.

>> Here.

>> Member Martha Camacho-Rodriguez.

>> Here.

Member Carmen Avalos.

>> Here.

>> Member John Paul Drayer.

>> Here.

>> Student Trustee Karen Patron.

>> Here.

>> [INAUDIBLE] [Off Mic]

>> Okay. Before we get started here I want to thank you very much for allowing me to be here with you and yes it would be good if I could read. I am very pleased to be here.

My son graduated from here and I am also very thankful this you have a very wood working program and I'm in the wood business and good to struck people for the trades and very thankful for that but the reason I am here representing the I am supposed to read this.

>> Carmen Avalos do solemnly swear they will support the and defend the Constitution of the United States and the

constitution of the state of the California against all enemies foreign and domestic that I will bear true faith allegiance to the constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion.ue I am nervous and I do this all the time -- and I am about to discharge the duties upon I'm going to enter.

>> Congratulations you did good.

[Applause]

>> A quick picture but I do have a couple of comments.

So I wanted to take this opportunity to thank obviously my mom and my dad.

[speaking Spanish]

And my family, my kids, my six kids are here tonight so you know you are the reason I do all of this. My family who is supportive and the best campaigners out there and I do want to thank you know very indebted and humbled by the voters in South Gate, Downey and Norwalk and Bellflower. Know that you have a representative that is committed to making this the best institution for the community and thank CSEA and what amazing campaigner my friend Lynn is and thank you Lynn for the many hours, eight hours at times humbled by your genuine commitment to supporting great leaders here on campus and rose tell her thank you very much and the many people that game out to support, former students from South Gate here tonight and very proud of these young women and remind everyone regardless where you come from you have an opportunity in the United States and here at Cerritos College.

[speaking Spanish]

>> Again thank you very much I appreciate it and thank you to the union brothers and sisters I appreciate that and labor group is here tonight and SEIU and many of the local labor folks that supported me during the campaign and indebted to you and being loyal you know I am loyal as well and to my brothers and sisters thank you very much. I appreciate it.

[Applause]

>> Marisa Perez will be installed by Dr. Fierro.

>> All right thank you everybody for being here tonight. The flu has hit my family and two kids here tonight my husband is home with the sick one but for my children who are here today to come with me, Rudy and Vanessa.

[Applause]

Okay.

>> I will hold it so we can both read it. All right. Good evening everyone. I Marisa Perez do solemnly swear they will support and defend the constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies foreign and domestic. They will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California. That I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and that I will faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

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>> Thank you --

[Applause]

>> Take a picture.

>> Marisa Perez: All right. Thank you everybody for being here tonight and special thank you to Dr. Fierro who I asked to swear me in and I am honored as a Generation X President to

swear somebody me and I appreciate it and again thank you for being here tonight. It's a wonderful celebration of what we do here at college and I would be remiss if I didn't thank everyone from the President to Dr. Fierro, all the VPs and administrators who are here today, all the faculty and the staff and especially the students who are the heart of Cerritos College and I am honored to represent you for another four years and thank you again you have taught me these four years and I am excited to grow and learn more in the next four years. I want to thank my family first who is here today, my mother in law, my father in law, children, sister-in-law who are here and all my friends and supporters. Thank you so much for being here. I have to especially acknowledge my ten year old Rudy who came and walked with me every weekend with no avail he was out there and even days when he wanted to stay home and play video games he knew the importance of this and I wanted to recognize him and I am confident in the country with the students here and the younger generation and acknowledge him. I want to thank everybody all the great civic leaders and the residents of the entire college district but especially the areas of Lakewood -- Yay! yes, Bellflower, Hawaiian Gardens, Cerritos and Long Beach. Thank you very much for all that you do to support me. I am truly humbled by everything that you do and acknowledge Councilmember Jeff Wood. He's the first person that encouraged me to run for Cerritos College and besides me since and acknowledge him and everyone else who was supportive and no way I could have won

overwhelming without the support and acknowledge the classified stuff. Thank you again for everything that you do and to Lynn lovin and David ward who do an outstanding job of representing out of the classified staff on campus and thank you again for the encouragement and thanks Carmen and I have and behalf of the classified staff and everyone is proud to work with her but she went way beyond the call of the presidency years this year and again thank you. We have great challenges here at Cerritos College. We have our students who sometimes come unprepared. Most students work part time, a lot are parents and work and we need to support our students to reach their educational goals and again join us. I look forward working with my colleagues and administrators and faculty and staff to accomplish what we need to for the students and thank you for coming tonight and I look forward to visiting later on.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu:
Dr. Sandra Salazar and installed by Alex Sapp, Mayor of Downey, yeah.

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>> First of all I want to thank Dr. Salazar for inviting me and with the election comes a new year and look forward to continuing the tradition of colleagues to effectuate -- Cerritos College to effectuate change and a leader in the region and thank you on to all that contributed to education of our students so having said that I will do the oath. Please raise your right hand. I Dr. Sandra Salazar, do solemnly swear they will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of

California against all enemies foreign and domestic. That I will bear truth faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California. That I take this obligation freely without any mental preservation or purpose of evasion and they well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

>> Congratulations.

>> Thank you so much.

[Applause]

>> Sandra Salazar: Well, I want to thank the Mayor from Downey. It's an honor to have him swear me in. Appreciate the leadership in one of the leading cities of county and my life partner and children. Four years ago when I ran I had no children and now I have two and I am very proud of them and they remind me every day that we have to make sure that schools and community colleges are true enters of community and they will prosper did what keeps me going every day for the district Norwalk 83% the students are unprepared and Remedial Math and English so I am fighting to create the bridges and really help the students come in at a better level so they can really thrive when they get here and when they thrive our communities prosper and make sure they have access to education and path ways into the middle class and I want to you know thank a couple of my supporters, definitely my family, my mother in law. Without her I couldn't do this and grateful and in the front row. If you could clap for her she really deserves -- she allows me to do what I do.

[Applause]

And I want to thank one of my star volunteers on the campaign and walk all of Norwalk four

years ago and last year -- this year as well and that's my --

[Applause]

And she's also a leader here in the community college and also my volunteer coordinator Pete Perez and to all the voters, everyone supporting me, and I am really proud to be ally of labor and the federation and appreciate from labors 1309 and very supportive of as well and other unions across the cities but again I am really happy to be here ready to roll up my sleeves and do the work and make sure the students succeed and get the jobs that lead to the middle class and thank you to the Mayor. It's an honor to have him here tonight.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu: All right. Installation of newly elected Board Members. Martha Camacho-Rodriguez.

[Applause]

>> John Paul Drayer: Good evening. I am John Paul Drayer Board Member for District 3 and I served as Martha's campaign coach and cheerleader for this long campaign and I am hear friend and honoredded that she asked me to do this tonight so if you could raise your right hand. I Martha

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Camacho-Rodriguez do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies foreign and domestic and I will bear truth faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion and I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

Congratulations.

>> Thank you.

[Applause]

>> Martha Camacho-Rodriguez:

I will be brief. I am a school teacher for Compton. I work with special education students who on the graduation track and teach Biology and environmental science and one of the things I remember growing up my parents were diligent and on a daily basis reminding me that education was important and in the Central Valley it was a farm working community, very humble and beautiful to say the least so as I stand here I am honored and one of the things that I think is important as a community that we come together and we know that education is the cornerstone of everything that we need to survive so as we're running into challenging times I feel very hopeful as I see everyone in our circle and know that we will be weathering along and together we will go ahead and accomplish a lot of things that we need to do to remain hopeful and move forward so thank you.

[Applause]

>> Congratulations for all.

We're going to move on to Number 6, election of board officers.

So first we're going to have recognition Marisa.

>> It is great appreciation for your outstanding work and support as Vice President of the Board of Trustees for Marisa.

>> Marisa Perez: Thank you Shin.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu.

Zurich. It is a great appreciation for your outstanding work and support as the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

>> Zurich Lewis: Thank you. Thank you.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu: Let me start the election --

>> Carmen Avalos: I'm sorry. I wanted to make a comment and thank them for the leadership as well as you for being at the helm and righting the storm for thank you for all of your contributions, certainly your leadership to our newly elected member, Martha Camacho-Rodriguez, looking forward to working with you. Welcome.

>> Thank you.

>> President Shin Liu: So we're going to start with the election process as outlined in AP 2210.

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>> Dr. Fierro: Is it states that the Board President will open the nominations for new board president and require a second by any member of the Board of Trustees. Then a motion to close nominations and then votes. Each Trustee has one vote regardless of the number of nominations for instance if we're both nominated you're choice will be one vote.

>> You?

>> Dr. Fierro: No, I pass. I appreciate that but I pass. And after that the county is done and whoever has the highest number of votes will be the new vote President. At this point the new Board President will take over the meeting and nominations for Vice President and clerk will be subsequently taken. Thank you.

>> President Shin Liu: All right. To begin the process I would like to call for the motion for nomination.

>> Carmen Avalos: I would like to make a motion to nominate Mr. Zurich Lewis for President.

>> Second.

>> President Shin Liu: Any --

anymore nomination?

>> Karen Patron: On behalf of the students we want to nominate Sandra for President of the Board.

>> John Paul Drayer: I would like to ask for discussion. Second her motion and I would like to ask for discussion.

>> Dr. Fierro: The process allows the nominees to speak but it's not allowed for discussion

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>> Don't we go by Robert's Rules of procedure.

>> Dr. Fierro: Stated by the policy.

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>> Carmen Avalos: If there are no more nominations I would like them close.

>> John Paul Drayer: I have a question.

>> President Shin Liu: Yeah question.

>> John Paul Drayer: Whoever responds in leadership respond to all Board Members phone calls and Email about board protocol and no discrimination of Board Members to heal the board of Cerritos College.

>> Zurich Lewis: My promise as Board President is to make sure we balance the interest of each and every one of our Board Members so we all get a fair hearing at the board table and it is my promise that we also balance that interest along with running an effective meeting for our parties interested, not just at the board table and those in the audience and those on staff so that is my promise to you as not only a Board Member to the rest of the other board here but also to the public and to those that have elected each and every one of us to our positions.

>> President Shin Liu: Should we roll call.

>> So for the first nomination Trustee Lewis. Trustee Avalos.

>> Yes.

>> Trustee Drayer.
>> No.
>> Trustee Lewis.
>> Aye.
>> Trustee Liu.
>> Aye.
>> Trustee Perez.
>> Aye.
>> Trustee Camacho-Rodriguez.
>> I abstain.
>> Trustee Salazar.
>> Aye.
>> So that is four votes in

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favor.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu: That's your seat now.

[Laughter]

>> Thank you. You're going to sit next to me.

>> President Lewis: Well, it's truly an honor. Thank you to my league for your support and confidence for me, a millennial to be the President of the Board of Trustees at a college where the average age is five years older than myself.

You know --

[Applause]

I never thought I would be in a position to do this even three years ago when I was in college myself but the Lord works in mysterious ways for sure and an honor to be at this table and have the support of my colleagues and again I reiterate my promise I made about two minutes ago that we will have fair hearings of each Board Member. Each Board Member will be heard during any items and during any discussion but we will also make sure that we balance that interest along with an effective meeting to move on for all parties interest, so thank you again for that, and first act as President is to honor Dr. Liu as President so if could follow me.

[Applause]

In grateful appreciation of your

outstanding work and support as President of the Board of Supervisors our friends and colleagues here want to present you with this certificate.

>> Dr. Liu: Thank you.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis: She gives me a certificate. I give her one back in return. All right. At this time I will open up the nominations for Vice President of the Board of Trustees.

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>> I would like to nominate Carmen Avalos for Vice President.

>> Second.

>> Do you accept Carmen?

>> I do thank you.

>> John Paul Drayer: Second.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Are there any other nominations at this time? Seeing none I will entertain a motion to close the nominations.

>> John Paul Drayer: Please close.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Is there a second?

>> Second.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Any objections? Then congratulations Ms. Carmen Avalos Vice President.

[Applause]

>> Carmen Avalos. First I want to thank you for your confidence and supporting me for the vice presidency here but make sure that everyone knew Mr. Lewis is the first Cuban American to serve at college Board of Trustees President so

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[speaking Spanish]

And obviously our younger so you've got two things that you're first at so congratulations. Hopefully more of these will happen for many more students as well so congratulations.

>> President Zurich Lewis:

Thank you. With that I will open up the nominations for secretary -- excuse me, Clerk of the Board. We changed that about a year ago.

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>> I would like to nominate Dr. Shin Liu as secretary Clerk of the Board.

>> Second.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Do you accept Dr. Liu.

>> Yes thank you.

>> Are there any other nominations at this time?

Seeing none I will take a motion to close the nominations. Is there a motion.

>> So moved.

>> Second.

>> Without objection congratulations Dr. Liu.

>> Dr. Liu: Thank you. Thank you.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis:

All right. Number 10 Institutional Presentation, recognition of Classified Employee of the Month for the Board of Trustees. We will recognize Monica Castro Administrative Secretary I as Classified Employee of the Month.

[Applause]

>> Dr. Fierro: Good evening again. Usually I don't know why I bring the script because I don't read it but I'm going to try tonight and Monica as our outstanding confidential employee of the month. She has been working at Cerritos College since 1995, just a couple of years ago I think she was five or six when she started and she is now part of the educational partnerships and programs, so oftentimes my conversations with Monica actually happen in the hallways or right around here, and we have a couple of things in common with Monica besides we do really, really good work at

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Cerritos College, we both do, believe me.

[Laughter]

We both are from Columbia so that right there makes a great employee.

[Laughter]

And the second that we both mountain bike so we have some great conversations not only about that but conversations about the college, and every time that I speak with her you could see how she gets a long with the coworkers and in her job she's has to do relationship building with the K-12 partners and good things to say about her and university partners also and I couldn't think of anyone better to get this honor this evening and congratulations and thank you for all that you do for Cerritos College.

[Applause]

>> I'm not a talker so -- I prefer to --

>> Carmen Avalos: Then you can't possibly be Colombian.

[Laughter]

>> Thank you.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis: All right. At this time we will have public comments and I have currently one card at this time that would be the final production night in final arts 42. That's a pretty long name.

>> Good evening. For those guys that don't know I am Teral Edison and the online editor and joined by other staff and we're here on behalf of the Tala Mark and for those do not know yesterday was our final production night in fine arts 42 so effective next semester we're moving into our new building and facility so we want to thank you guys for that.

[Applause]

But I want to offer a special thanks to Dr. Fierro for showing

up. I think he caught us all by surprise and we have a message from Rich Cameron and jokes he's no dinosaur and in his time in the college never saw a President come and we're glad you're the first and come back soon.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis: Next we will move to reports and comments from constituent groups.

>> Karen Patron: There was a public comment.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Yeah, Victor. I can't see far without my glasses.

>> Hi. It's good to be back. I am just kidding. Not really.

[Laughter]

So I am here to speak in regards to one of your action items on the agenda which is the Dream Actors resolution I believe it's called and item 20 and a resolution that Dreamers and the club wrote together and 19 -- okay. Ask for the board's support and acceptance of this resolution to make this campus a sanctuary for all undocumented students and as an ally I can't help but reiterate how important this is during the political times we're living in and the fear that has become rear in undocumented Americans and undocumented -- yeah, undocumented students and undocumented people, Dreamers and first generation students like myself that do have the privilege of being an American citizen that there's that fear for my friends and family.

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There's the fear for those around me and I know some of the Board Members didn't get a chance to participate in the allied educators event that was going on at the last meeting and I hope this is the opportunity for those that didn't have the

opportunity to participate that your vote shows that you do stand with us as students and undocumented students and the Dreamers on campus. Thank you.

[Applause]

>> Good evening and again congratulations to those that won the election. It's Admiral that you run. That's very scary idea. We also I am here to report on the Senate on November 29 also passed the Dreamers resolution, the same one in front of you today did recommend that you do so as well and we passed another one this week in support of diversity on campus and seeking any and all possibilities to keep our students safe and make them feel like their safe and I will send you a copy of both resolutions this evening. Thank you.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis: Anyone else wishing to give a constituent report? All right. Seeing none we will move to Item Number 7. Consideration of regular meeting dates of the Cerritos Community College District Board of Trustees.

>> John Paul Drayer. Move to approve.

>> Second.

>> President Shin Liu:

President Zurich Lewis: Is there any objection? Carmen Avalos: I would like to move the --

>> The second Wednesday after -- after the off cycle School Board elections.

>> I am fine with that.

>> Second.

>> I guess it would be the third what I meant.

>> Third Wednesday.

>> Right before Thanksgiving.

>> What date is it?

>> The 15th.

>> That would be good, yeah because might be up late the

night before otherwise.

>> Absolutely. Without objection to the changing of November 1 meeting date to the November 15. Is there any other amendments?

>> I would like to request that we change the time. I request many more of this board is working and so in L.A. traffic it's challenging for many and change back to the 7:00 o'clock time we had at one point.

>> John Paul Drayer: For close session.

>> Carmen Avalos: And the beginning of the meeting.

>> John Paul Drayer: And close session first?

>> Yes.

>> Second.

>> Is there any objection to moving the meeting time? Seeing none that is the Second Amendment to that and overall for the item as amended there was already currently a motion to approve at the table with a second so is there any objection to that? All right. Without objection that is our new meeting dates.

>> Carmen Avalos: And time.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Item 8. Consideration of annual election to the Los Angeles school association for 2017.

Are there any volunteers?

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>> [INAUDIBLE]

>> President Shin Liu Zurich Lewis: Is there any objection to Dr. Liu being the representative? Seeing none congratulations.

>> Carmen Avalos: Thank you for representing the board.

>> Thank you.

>> Item 9 information item board policy 2715 ethics of standards of practice. Dr. Fierro.

>> Dr. Fierro: We have to remind you of board policy and during meetings and incorporate

the Code of Ethics and standard of practice behavior that violates the code and during the meeting and board the elections and board policy 2715 and in the board packet --

>> Move to receive and file.

>> Dr. Fierro: That's it.

>> President Shin Liu Zurich

Lewis: Without objection the motion is received and filed.

Item Number 11 Institutional Presentation helping Dreamers be successful.

>> Dr. Fierro. So we have Kim here to highlight some of the service available for the Dreamers. Please know this is very high level. 32 is actually more there is more level of detail for a subsequent meeting but this is give you an overview of the good work they're doing and this is much credit to the Dream Club and they worked to set resources and Victor involved and other students so good work. And that was my presentation --

[Laughter]

Good evening Board Members, Dr. Fierro, faculty, staff, students and especially the committee

that came out today and congratulations to the Board Members here today. I would like to start off with giving you some data from 2015-2016 and I am aware of the time so I'm going to go through this quickly because I know you have a reception scheduled at 730. Is that correct? So I'm going to speak as fast as I can so you can get to your party, so in 2015-16 we had 1258 AB 540-2000 students. If you're familiar with the packet everything is in there as well and what I will be going over. We had 836 students from that total complete the Dream Act so you can apply for state aid available to these students. 985 students

benefited from the BOG Fee Waiver which covers the enrollment fee. We had 150 students receive the Cal Grant B and C grant. 97 full time success grant and that's a brand-new grant that was available this last year so it was brand you 92. We had 76 participate in the EOPS program and 76 received book vouchers from student equity and we gave out over a million dollars in state aid to those 1258 students so we're happy about that. In Fall 2015 we did a survey and asked the students how would you rate your experience as a dreamer at colleagues? And as you can see close to 60% rate us very high. Then we wanted to know what they would like to see at Cerritos College. As you can see funding, making college more affordable, scholarships was number one, and also employment information, and where they could seek employment. They wanted to know about academic and transfer information. They wanted to see a dream counselor on board and see a Dream Resource Center. Some of the accomplishments we have done we worked hard this past year. We obviously did secure the book assisted funding. We created these fliers which are very helpful in explaining the daunting process of applying for financial aid. The folders that explain to meet the deadlines, things like that. we purchased school supplies through a categorical program with flash drives and highlighters and backpacks and implemented workshop for the students and wrapped up the fall informational workshop. We had an immigration lawyer here and campus police and AB 540 counselors available for academic and career and personal

counseling and transfer and scholarship information of and continued with the hands on application which is a great service. It's available to any student. They don't have to be a college student. They can come to the resource center. We have dates in your packet of when they can come and we will help them fill out the application, get it submitted and knowing they met the deadlines and in the pool to receive financial aid assistance. Some other accomplishments is we created the AB 540 task force. They have done great work. As Dr. Fierro said we created the AB 540 website. I want you to check it out. We've never had a website for the Dreamers. They can go to this website, find all of the information. We update it daily. It's a great resource for people who want to know how to help the Dreamers here on campus. We assisted in creating the Dream Club which Dr. Fierro mentioned and the great job they're doing. Just had a lunch and holiday special with them today and it was great and thank you Dr. Fierro for showing up.

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I talked to the students afterwards and they were grateful you showed up and really nice. We had some AC funding and field trips and Mayor's scholarships funds secured for some things for this year and next semester. And then we have identify opportunities to ease the application process. We had one for example where we had students had that to do the AB 540 every semester and delaying it and we changed the process and now they have to do it one time and helpful and creating allied training for spring 17. I hope you can attend that and

it's going to be a great opportunity for the faculty and staff to know more about undocumented students, what it means become an ally, and we're hoping to have those dates available -- I think we're looking at March and April and the reason for that we're targeting on the March 2 deadline for Cal Grant. We want to make sure students are filling out the dream application and not miss the deadline for the Cal Grant Program. This is our website. What it looks like and how to get to it. You notice the beautiful butterfly there and Kelly Quan in the Graphics Department and shout out to him

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and did a great job and it's great and colorful and makes me happy. How we can help and continue to help is obviously participate in the ally training, continue to look for funds for making college affordable. We're looking for scholarships and anywhere and emergency books is a big one and once you miss the March 2 deadline it's over until next year so we need funding for books. Create employment opportunities. We're looking at that and starting conversations for a Dream Resource Center. I know real estate is hard on campus but just a place for students to come and share their ideas, feel welcome, just communicate with each other and develop a little mentorship and obviously we're going to keep doing this and we do this on everything to help our students succeed and continue the dialogue and find ways to make college affordable, resources available to students so they're successful on campus. I want to put a special thank you out to the Student Support Services

division which includes financial aid, EOPS, care and link, the faculty and staff there are awesome. They work hard. They're out there all the time making sure all of the students are successful and also to the AB 540 task force, all the work they have done. They meeting regularly and they're there and if they -- they're working on a project they meet again and again and also to the Dream Club. Their tireless effort and commitment that we all understand the obstacles they're facing. Thank you to

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all of and you if you have questions I am here and I am always here afterwards and you can always Email me 24/7 or staff and we are happy to answer any questions that you and if you any tonight I am here.

>> President Zurich Lewis:
Any questions?

>> Not tonight but a list where the funding comes from the students and come qualify for AB 540 students and DACA students but a list of where the funding comes from so in terms of resources here on campus and how we can allocate some of the resources in that direction. I don't expect it tonight it's 730 and you have 30 seconds but I would like a list provided to the board and we can address that.

>> Yeah, we can provide that and on the second slide it gives listing of the funding and the Cal Grant and Student Equity Funding. We get foundation money and other funding.

And the Cal Grant is little pot of money and the critical thing is meeting the deadlines and it's right around the corner and that's for the 17-18 school year so it's March 2. the applications are out and out since October. Get that

application in by March 2 so
you're in the pool for the Cal
Grant funds.

>> Carmen Avalos: Great thank
you.

>> We will get the list to
you.

>> Okay perfect.

>> Karen Patron: I want to
thank everyone that made it
possible and not just me but
every dreamer on campus is an
example what this college is
capable of. I am a recipient of
Cal Grant B and the BOG Fee
Waiver and because of that I can
be here and continue my
education so thank you to Dr.
Fierro and all of the VPs and
shout out to the Dream Club and
the students who were like the
pilot and the guinea pigs in the
pro and for us to say we're
undocumented and here and it's
challenging and a every day
struggle and thank you. I
appreciate it.

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>> Carmen Avalos: Special
shout out to the Dream Club and
stand out and empower students
on campus. I have your T-Shirt
at home and my kids have seen it
and we we're it and you have a
lot of supportive Board Members
and thank you for the courage.

>> Karen Patron: Shout out to
the advisers and EOPS and
financial aid and international.
We have advisers everywhere but
they're here for us.

>> Thank you so much.

>> Thank you.

>> President Zurich Lewis:
Any other quick comments that
Board Members would like to
make.

>> Marisa Perez: I would like
to request an agenda item to
talk more about the students who
are undocumented. I know for
the Rio Hondo Trustees they
instructed the President to work
with the President of LLCCD
to -- LACCD to create a

resolution and have an agenda item and discuss another resolution if needed and see how we can partner with the other community colleges and what they're doing and see the needs of the Dreamers students are -- I mean we're doing a great job but to see what else we can do to help.

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>> Carmen Avalos: I would like to make an amendment for a Study Session and just placing it on the agenda doesn't give you substantial time.

>> I invite you guys to speak with the Dream Club members themselves and to the AB 540 task force. They have great ideas and really the allied training in spring will be helpful because it's going to be a half day training and for staff and faculty and anyone who would like to come, and it's going to have a lot of information on how to become an ally and what the struggles that undocumented students are going through so next semester we can help you with that and give you the dates as soon as we have them finalized.

>> [INAUDIBLE]

>> John Paul Drayer: There are a lot of things happening in January so is it been the 20th or after the 20th? I think it's important to have a very qualified immigration attorney and General Counsel attend any Study Session to make sure that we get people -- we have correct legal information so don't have to have an additional meeting and find out whether it's better to have the questions answered right then for students and staff and faculty and Board Members.

>> Also our workshops has an immigration lawyer coming and the dates on in March or April and the reason it's later we're

concentrated on the March 2 deadline and the application process and make sure that is done and then go into the information workshops and we will have those visitors there and you're welcome to come to those or we can bring the information back to a board meeting on that so whatever you prefer.

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>> President Zurich Lewis:
Thank you.

>> Carmen Avalos: Maybe January is not the right time and maybe February and everyone is going on break and have time to have it well prepared. I don't know if that is okay with Dr. Salazar.

>> I liking the time in a Study Session to discuss.

>> All right thank you. Next is Item 12 12. Information item board Advisory Committee activities report.

>> Move and receive and file.

>> President Zurich Lewis:
Moved and seconded. Next we will go to the Consent Calendar.

>> Moved.

>> Second.

>> Receive and file.

>> Karen Patron: I want to take out Item 19 for a quick discussion.

>> President Zurich Lewis:
Anything else Items 13 through 41 with the exception of 19.

>> John Paul Drayer: Do you want us to vote?

>> No. That's fine. Without objection that is moved.

Resolution 20 Number 16-1207E to declare Cerritos College a safe campus for all student Karen Patron: I would like to mass

the mic over to the President of the Dream Club. He would like to say a few words.

>> Thank you so much so for having me here and I came here -- my name is Luis Guzman and I am nervous and sometimes it

doesn't get easier. I represent the Dream Club and I came here to introduce a resolution of support for Dreamers and undocumented students because I think as a college the Mission Statement we support all students. I think it's important to recognize Dreamers and since we're undocumented that we support all students regardless of race, regardless of sexual orientation, regardless of social status and regardless of immigration status, so like some of the presenters who presented they talked about the Dream Act, the California Dream Act and it's very important; right? That's state financial aid like my colleague Karen said she couldn't go to school without the California Dream Act. I couldn't have done it neither. Many students couldn't. When I came here and to school in 2011 I couldn't take that many classes I didn't have all the money. I had to pay for all the units and coming from a low income class only taking one class. It sucks and a struggle for my parent who is had to pay for them but thank to the people that presented the California Dream Act I was able to go to school and I can't state the impact it has on other students I know. I have friends -- former Dream Club members that have gone to Berkeley and transferred out. Proud to say they went to Berkeley and another went to UCLA and succeed and also I like to also talk about deferred action. I think it's one of the most important laws that affects all students who are undocumented and if you don't know what deferred action is it's basically prevents us from being deported and gives us a work permit and just to tell

you how important that is because living in fear, being someone who is undocumented, and having something like that is great because I didn't have a choice to come here you know. Like my parents brought me here because there was no opportunity where they came from and to come here and I didn't know I was undocumented until I was 16 and thought I was American the whole time. I love U.S. History. It was one of my favorite subjects and to know I am undocumented and I am different from people it sucked to be honest, but --

>> Mr. Guzman in the interest of those that waiting for the reception could you put that within a minute and just wrap up your comments please. Thank you.

>> Okay. And just to -- this resolution I present to you guys is really important to all of us because in light of the elections you know there's a lot of uncertainty and Donald Trump said she would do away with executive actions of Obama. Well all of his executive actions and one is deferred action so this resolution is just symbolic. We're not asking for money or for you to do anything other than to say we stand with Dreamers and undocumented students like all students regardless of race, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, and social status and so with that I end my time.

>> John Paul Drayer: Move to approve 19.

[Applause]

>> President Zurich Lewis: Thank you for your comments Mr. Guzman. I appreciate that.

>> John Paul Drayer: Move to approve 19.

>> Second.

>> President Zurich Lewis: Is

there any objection?

>> John Paul Drayer: No.

>> With no objection the motion is passed.

>> Dr. Fierro: It was already passed but look at Item 20 the resolution on the Board of Trustees on the Consent Agenda on safe campus. Please look at the language. It's strong language as was mentioned and the deferred act and college will not willingly engage with ice unless the law requires so but at this point we're taking a strong position of supporting students in the college and for the research we have done we're the first Cerritos College taking that position so with your consent we will submit it as a resolution to the Chancellor's Office and be replicated and thank you for the resolution and the resolution supported through Trustee Salazar through edits and so on and supported by the rest of the Board of Trustees. I think is a resolution we can all be proud of.

[Applause]

>> President Shin Liu:

President Zurich Lewis: Thank you Dr. Fierro for taking that lead and the rest of the nation know how we feel about our undocumented students and our students in general and what we can do to make history that everyone knows how we feel and the rest of the state follows our lead. Dr. Salazar.

>> Yes, I wanted to thank Dr. Fierro and the leadership on this item. It was a coalition of people really trying to push this resolution through to make sure that the students are safe and thank the Dream Club and [INAUDIBLE] and Dr. Fierro was in attendance and my colleague Martha Camacho-Rodriguez and show support for the students

for the dream students and shouldn't come in fear and all students are safe and I want to thank Dr. Fierro for the leadership on this and my colleagues for supporting the resolution.

>> President Zurich Lewis:
Thank you Dr. Salazar if it's okay with the rest of the Board Members and skip the comments by officials and go to the party. The rest of the audience may walk outside but the resolutions need to be signed by each of us on the board. This meeting is adjourned until then.

>> Dr. Fierro: The reception is hosted at the student center so we will be there in one second.