

**North County Higher Education Alliance Board Meeting
March 26, 2015 ~ Room Aztlan B, Student Center, MiraCosta College**

Minutes

Members Present: CSUSM: Matt Atherton (for Marie Thomas), Maureen Fitzpatrick, Bianca Garcia (student), and Scott Hagg
MiraCosta: Steven Deineh, Rica French, Jane Mushinsky, and Dick Robertson
Palomar: Phil De Barros, Adrian Gonzales, and Kelly Falcone

Members Absent: CSUSM: JJ Gutowski (student), Marie Thomas, and Jackie Trischman
MiraCosta: Mary Benard and Jed Schlueter
Palomar: Berta Cuaron, Naomi Lowe, Norma Miyamoto, and Elvia Nuñez-Riebel

Recorder: MiraCosta: Donna Blanton (for Lori Schneider)

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Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 3:38 p.m.	
Introductions	Welcome to Matt Atherton and Donna Blanton!	
Announcements	none	
Old & Ongoing Business		
Approval of Minutes	The Minutes for November 20, 2014, and February 19, 2015, were reviewed and approved.	MSC Approved 3 abstentions
Budget Update	Blanton reported that there is currently a balance of \$38,004.51 in the budget, less \$16,564.59 (which includes grants approved last month) in pending expenses, leaving an anticipated balance of \$21,439.92.	
Announcements	None	
Presidents Luncheon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The menu will include of Greek chicken and a Greek salad. • Steven will present the annual report. • All three Presidents have responded that they will be attending. 	Blanton will re-confirm attendance of the 3 Presidents with their admin assistants.
New Business		
	Full Grants – 2 full grants were reviewed and discussed.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESUBMISSION: Transitions: A Veterans Conference (\$3,000) <i>Approved for \$2,500.</i> 	MSC Approved 1 abstention
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESUBMISSION: Foucault Madness Second Annual Conference 	MSU Approved
	Discussion:	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brainstorming session took place regarding the pros and cons of allowing fund collaborations between a minimum of two of the three institutions to encourage expending more of the grant monies. Participation at events would still be open to faculty and students from all three institutions. • There was further discussion about promoting smaller events with NCHEA funds and referring to them as something other than “grants,” in order to make the application process less intimidating. • Board members talked about having three smaller “meet-and-greet” type gatherings a year, instead of the customary Sundowner.. • Steven asked the Board to think about ways to promote the NCHEA website for more visibility. 	Continue discussion at next meeting.
Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 3:30-5 p.m. @ MiraCosta, Oceanside Campus Library, Rm OC1202.</p>	