



**MIRACOSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

One Barnard Drive, Oceanside, CA

MINUTES OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING

**JULY 17, 2025
(APPROVED AUGUST 21, 2025)**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the MiraCosta Community College District met in closed session on Thursday, July 17, 2025, in Room 1054 at the Oceanside Campus. President Rick Cassar called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

II. FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL

Board members present:

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| Rick Cassar | Frank Merchat |
| Raye Clendening | Anna Pedroza |
| Heather Conklin | |
| Ann Crosbie | |

Board members absent: Jackie Simon

Administrators present:

Superintendent/President Sunny Cooke
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Hayley Schwartzkopf
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Elba Gomez

Others present:

Legal Counsel Kelly Cauvel (virtually)
Kitchell Representatives Ed DeJani (virtually), David Dunn, and Brian Peeling
Former Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Tim Flood (virtually)

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON AND NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

IV. DECLARE NEED FOR CLOSED SESSION

At 2:45 p.m., the board announced the need to enter closed session, along with Superintendent/President Cooke, Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Schwartzkopf, Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Gomez, Kitchell representatives Ed DeJani, David Dunn, and Brian Peeling, to discuss the following topic:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel, Anticipated Litigation, Number of Potential Cases: 1

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))

Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Gomez, Kitchell representatives Ed DeJani, David Dunn, and Brian Peeling, and legal counsel Kelly Cauvel left closed session.

B. Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Number of Potential Cases: 2
(Pursuant to Government Code section 54957)

V. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – REPORT ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

At 3:52 p.m., the board returned to open session to report the following:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel, Anticipated Litigation, Number of Potential Cases: 1

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))

No report.

B. Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Number of Potential Cases: 2
(Pursuant to Government Code section 54957)

No report.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Rick Cassar
President

Sunita V. Cooke, Ph.D.
Superintendent/President