

SBVC

BookSaver Task Force

MINUTES

December 10, 2024

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm VIA ZOOM ONLY

Zoom: <https://sbccd-edu.zoom.us/j/85751554380>

Members:

	A	P		A	P
Dr. Olivia Rosas, Facilitator		X	Emily Porter	X	
Veada Benjamin	X		Nelva Ruiz-Martinez	X	
Pavel Bratulin		X	Phylicia Sanchez	X	
Wendy Chacon	X		Brian Thompson		X
Andrew Chang	X		Raquel Villa	X	
Dr. Gilbert Contreras	X		Raemon Edwards	X	
Rosio Cortez	X				
April Dale		X			
Jessica Figueroa		X	Guests:		
Ricardo Guevara		X	Eve Mulhall		X
Joanne Hinojosa		X	Jesse Romero-Neimeyer	x	
Frederick Jones		X			
Matthew Kim		X			
Ana Mayo(Proxy for Tatiana Vasquez)		X			
Jonathan Neeper		X			
Maria Notarangelo		X			
Monica Perales	x				

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DISCUSSION

FURTHER ACTION

1. Approval of October 29 and November 12, 2024, Minutes.

Freddy Jones moved; Maria Notarangelo seconded. Minutes from October 29, 2024, approved as written.
Matt Kim moved; Joanne Hinojosa seconded. Minutes from November 12, 2024, approved as written.

Suzan and Olivia will discuss future meeting dates and will send a calendar invitation to the committee.

**2. BookSaver Update –
Dr. Rosas and Team**

Dr. Rosas reported we talked about moving the fees at the last meeting, which are embedded, and they cannot be moved right now due to programming. They did highlight the BookSaver fees so they will stand out and students can readily see them. The latest versions of the informational videos were sent earlier today for review and will be sent out by the end of this week. Brian and Jon will meet to discuss Dual Enrollment and what the outcomes are. Tech is working on a mechanism to authorize the District to draw from student Financial Aid awards to pay for their books. They are working on separating other fees from the BookSaver fees to pay them separately. There is also a lot of conversation regarding OER and Zero textbooks cost in the state and the District is aware of this. Jessica questioned whether the BookSaver fees are separate yet and Dr. Rosas said they are not separated yet, but it is being worked on to go into effect for Fall 2025. Maria suggested early registration be lined up better with when the instructors submit their book lists so the students can calculate the cost of their books in advance. Ana shared students do not have Zero cost textbooks anymore since they are paying for their books now. Dr. Rosas stated the District was informed about Zero cost textbooks and the automatic Opt In choice rather than let the student choose and there has not been any decision made yet. Jon reported that 3,191 students had Opted Out due to non-payment, 4,976 had Opted Out at registration and 1,080 had Opted In and paid their book fees. This does not include Dual Enrollment students, which is around 2,000. He said in January the numbers will probably change and go up. Ana asked if the numbers are different from fall. Jon said they are the same with about a 20% participation rate. He stated they are going to provide the faculty with guidelines on how to assist students who have Opted Out.

Reply to the email sent earlier today with the videos attached and respond yes or no to send them out.

Dual Enrollment outcomes will be reported at the next meeting.

	<p>Jon also asked if there was an alternative plan being discussed depending on what the District decides to do. Dr. Rosas said there is no other plan being discussed at this time.</p> <p>Paul said the videos will be posted on the website this week.</p>	<p>Paul asked the group to email him if there are any changes to the videos that need to be made before they are posted.</p>
<p>3. Adjourn – Next Meeting – January 28, 2025, 3-4:00 pm, Via Zoom only.</p> <p>https://sbccd-edu.zoom.us/j/84688076881</p>		