

GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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Highlights from the Governing Board Meeting

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The Board in Action



Board members, faculty, administrators, and students welcomed new staff members. Board member **Mary Kay Rosinski** thanked Cuyamaca students for inviting her to its Women's History Month event fashion show highlighting fashions for interviews.

Board member **Rick Alexander** enjoyed the Classified Staff Appreciation Day events, and also attended the First Friday Breakfast hosted by the East County Chamber of Commerce and the CCLC Advisory Committee on Legislation meeting.

Board President **Bill Garrett** commented on successful events, including Classified Staff Appreciation Day, the Literary Arts Festival, and music programs at Cuyamaca College.

President **Garrett** said he will attend an upcoming meeting on issues involving the 2010 Census, elections, and California Voting Rights Act at the San Diego County Office of Education.

Grossmont College Student Trustee **Christopher Enders** reported on student election results: **Edwin Cruz**, Vice President; **Cheryl-Anne Phillips**, Comptroller; **Stephen Dailing**, Executive Secretary of Student Legislation; **Meray Ajami**, Director of Publicity; **Hillary Heath**, Director of Campus Activities; and Board of Directors **Meray Ajami**, **Brandon Bryant**, **Edwin Cruz**, **Jacinta Cruz**, **Jacquelyn English**, **LaShawn Encarnacion**, **Christopher Foskett**, **Ricky German**, **Dylan Keeling**, **Mary McFadden**, **Pablo Perez**, **Damien "Yung D" Smith**, and **Sandy Somo**. **Enders** was elected ASGC President and re-elected as Student Trustee. **Enders** discussed the *March in March* and reported on student meetings with area legislators, including Assembly members **Marty Block** and **Mary Salas**.

Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Chuck Taylor** reported on recent campus events, including the well-attended Health Fair on April 13. ASGCC elections are being held April 27 through 29.

BOARD FOCUS: Student Success

The Student Success series continued with a pre board meeting candid discussion led by Grossmont College ESL Professor Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin, ESL Instructor Virginia Berger, Psychology Instructor Maria Pak, SDICCCA Intern Sandra Sanchez and students. on how Community Service Learning (CSL) provides classroom tutoring to support student learning and success. CSL offers peer tutoring services at no cost to the college. Student tutors earn college credit while contributing to collaborative learning. The Student Success discussions focus on data, national initiatives about student success, and the "California Leadership Alliance for Student Success," or CLASS Initiative, in which GCCCD is participating.

Fees Approved for Fall 2010

Governing Board members approved a series of new course fees. Trustee **Mary Kay Rosinski** asked about revised Nursing Department fees. Grossmont College President **Sunny Cooke** said these fees are to include materials previously provided in a separate private exam review course. By providing them as-needed through existing courses, students will save 36% off the original \$500 cost.

From Closed Session

The Governing Board voted 5-0 to ratify the Vice Chancellor's rejection of the claim for personal injury received from Mr. and Mrs. **Joseph Ryan**, as untimely.

Emergency Plan Reviewed

Vice Chancellor Business Services **Sue Rearic** and District Police Chief **Joel Javines** presented an overview of the District's Emergency Preparedness Plan, noting three key goals: making preparedness information available on the District's intranet site at www.gcccd.edu/intranet; having response teams and response plans in place at each worksite along with preparedness supplies and checklists; and offering training and drills to District employees. **Javines** told Trustees he is working with other emergency responders to coordinate large responses in the event of an emergency such as a wildfire.

Rearic added that an evacuation plan identifies all buildings with more than one level, pinpoints access to ground level, and identifies areas being equipped with an evacuation chair system.

March in March Makes Impact

Ten District students participated in the *March in March* in Sacramento, demonstrating support for full funding for the state's community colleges. Cuyamaca College ASGCC President **Bobby Cariño** and Grossmont College ASGC President **Marc Valenzuela** provided a report to the Governing Board, including photos of legislative meetings and a rally outside the State Capitol. The



Left to right above: Christopher Enders, Bryant Dolbow, Charles Taylor III, Stephen Dailing, Marc Valenzuela, Christopher Foskett, Jacqueline Win, Serene Pritchett, Aaron Williams, Jackie Luis, Hillary Heath, Bobby Cariño.

peaceful event drew 13,000 participants. It was the first time Cuyamaca College students participated in a rally of this kind. **Cariño** and **Valenzuela** thanked **Dana Quittner** and Cuyamaca College Admissions & Records Supervisor **Serene Pritchett** for their assistance and support in making the event successful for students.

Jacqueline Win, staff representative for East County State Assemblyman Joel Anderson, presented a Certificate of Recognition to student participants Bobby Cariño, Marc Valenzuela, Stephen Dailing, Bryant Dolbow, Christopher Enders, Christopher Foskett, Hillary Heath, Jackie Luis, Charles Taylor, Aaron Williams, and student advisor Serene Pritchett.

Board Welcomes GHD Osher Scholarship Donation

Members of the Grossmont Healthcare District (GHD)
Board of Directors and Executive Director **Barry Jantz** presented the District with \$27,000 to fully fund two Osher Scholarships for healthcare students.
Chancellor **Cindy Miles** noted this translates into two \$1,000 scholarships each year "forever."
Grossmont College President **Sunny Cooke** thanked the GHD board members for their crucial contributions supporting healthcare education at



Pictured left to right: GHD board member Deborah McElravy, GHD board member Gloria Chadwick, Trustee Deanna Weeks, Trustee Rick Alexander, Cuyamaca College Student Trustee Charles Taylor III, GHD Chief Executive Officer Barry Jantz, Grossmont College Student Trustee Christopher Enders, Trustee Bill Garrett, Trustee Greg Barr, GHD board member Michael Long, Grossmont College President Sunny Cooke, Grossmont College Foundation Executive Director Ernie Ewin, GHD board member Michael Emerson, Trustee Mary Kay Rosinski, Chancellor Cindy Miles.

Grossmont, helping retain faculty and providing scholarships.

Sparks Receives Chancellor/Classified Senate Award

Patty Sparks, Administrative Secretary, Vice President Administrative Services at Grossmont College, was the quarterly recipient of the Chancellor/Classified Senate Award. **Sparks** was nominated by Grossmont College Vice President, Administrative Services **Tim Flood**, who characterized her as enthusiastic, dedicated, and a "force of nature" who has a true love of what the door for the District's students. Classified Senate President **Description**



she does for the District's students. Classified Senate President **Debi Miller** and Chancellor **Cindy Miles** presented **Sparks** with a plaque and Barnes & Noble gift card as her proud family applauded her accomplishment.

Chancellor's Report



Chancellor **Cindy Miles**, Board members, faculty, and staff, officially welcomed new Cuyamaca College President **Stuart Savin** to his first Board meeting.

Chancellor **Miles** noted that April has been a busy month with much to celebrate, including four successful grant awards and honors for District media and public relations efforts. **Miles** thanked Counselor **Mary Rider** for a tour of the Grossmont College Transfer Center and Biology Assistant Professor **Joe Henry** for his introduction to the Grossmont Student Veterans Association.

Grossmont College Report

- President Cooke announced that alumni Leslie Conway "Lester" Bangs and Christina Csanadi Deckard will be inducted into the Foundation Walk of Fame.
- Cooke said the 22nd annual Grossmont College Pow-Wow on April 24 will honor longtime Pow-Wow organizer Tom Gamboa.

 Photography Professor Suda House was the featured artist in the April issue of San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles Magazine and appeared on KUSI TV.

Cuyamaca College Update

- President Savin congratulated paralegal faculty member Mary Sessom, Mayor of Lemon Grove, for receiving the 2010 Special Achievement Award from WalkSanDiego.
- Administrative Services employee Frank Sundstrom, an accomplished sculptor, has recently had work featured in the book Dry Glazes.
- **Savin** said the recent Sustainable Urban Landscape Conference on campus drew 150 members of the landscape industry.

Staff Reports

Grossmont College Academic Senate representative **Devon Atchison** thanked the Board for its support of the resolution adopted on February 16, 2010, regarding the state budget crisis.

Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Mike Wangler** provided a summary of major actions taken at the recent statewide spring plenary, as well as the statewide news magazine *Senate Rostrum*. **Wangler** announced that all Cuyamaca Academic Senate officers were reelected.

Mary Rider, AFT representative, reported on her participation in the *March in March* event, and gave an update on the AFT faculty march from Bakersfield to Sacramento.

Classified Senate President **Debi Miller** thanked everyone for a successful Classified Staff Appreciation Day, and said a debriefing will take place April 29. Four representatives will attend a region-wide Classified Senate retreat this month. Recent constitution and bylaws changes will be posted to the organization's website.

Staff Notes

Welcome to **Tim Corcoran**, new GCCCD Director, Employee & Labor Relations, and **Laura Gordon**, Account Clerk Senior, Cuyamaca College.

Congratulations to **Tim Flood**, Vice President, Administrative Services, and **Jim Fenningham**, Interim Dean, Counseling & Enrollment Services, both at Grossmont College, on their new assignments.

Public Comment

Thomas Howard, district resident, asked the Governing Board to consider changes to the new policy that withdrew access to the Cuyamaca College Fitness Center for non-credit classes. Board President **Garrett** asked the Chancellor for a report on the matter.

Next Meeting

The Governing Board's next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, May 18, 2010, at the Student Center, Cuyamaca College. The open session will begin at 6:30 p.m., following closed session, scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, May 1, 8 a.m. Automotive Skills Day, Automotive Technology Complex, Cuyamaca College



Sunday, May 2, Grossmont College Master Chorale performs at the San Diego Community College Choral Festival, Mira Costa College

Tuesday, May 4, 9:30 a.m. Career Fair, Student Center, Cuyamaca College

Thursday, May 6, 11:30 a.m. College Hour: Mexican Cultural Heritage Celebration, Student Center Quad, Cuyamaca College

May 6–15, 7:30 p.m. (May 8 & 15, 2 p.m.) "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller, Theatre Arts Department, Stagehouse Theatre, Grossmont College

May 10-20, Grossmont College Art Students Display, Hyde Art Gallery, Grossmont College