

# The Courier

## Highlights from the Governing Board Meeting



GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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### Board Actions

- ◆ With the exception of item 202, all remaining agenda items were approved by the Governing Board via consent. Board members discussed changes to the meeting schedule in April and July. By a 5-0 vote, the April board meeting will now take place on April 22; the July meeting will now take place July 22.

### From Closed Session

- ◆ In a unanimous vote, the board approved a separation agreement with the Grossmont College vice president of Student Services.
- ◆ In open session following closed session discussion, the board voted to permanently expel a student.

### Baccalaureates at Community Colleges Discussed

The pre-board workshop focused on the issue of allowing community colleges to award bachelor's degrees in specific fields with a high workforce demand. San Diego Community College District administrators

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Chancellor **Constance Carroll** and **Otto Lee**, vice chancellor of instructional services and planning,

outlined efforts and reasoning behind the push for baccalaureates to be offered by community colleges

**Lee** noted that the need for college-educated workers will outstrip the demand by 2025. **Carroll** said following five previous legislative efforts, Sen. **Marty Block** has introduced a bill, SB 850, that would allow the Board of Governors to authorize baccalaureate pilot programs at community colleges.

**Dale Beatty**, director of nursing at Sharp Grossmont Hospital, said more hospitals are requiring nurses they hire to have bachelor's degrees, and a study has recommended that by 2020, 80 percent of nurses should have a bachelor's degree.

**Debbie Yaddow**, dean of allied health and nursing at Grossmont College, said while 82 community colleges provide nursing training, the program is offered at only 18 California state universities. Students who can't get into state universities sometimes turn to private colleges charging up to \$90,000 for a bachelor's in nursing.



### Citizens Bond Oversight Committee Report

Prop. R and Prop. V Citizens Bond Oversight Committee member **Gwen Miller** presented the CBOC's annual report of activities wrapping up work on the Prop. R construction program and the transition to the new Prop. V program.

**Miller** said the report is part of the CBOC's responsibility to independently monitor the bonds and ensure that the District delivers what was promised to the voters.

**Miller** discussed the first Prop. V projects, the commitment to small business outreach, and the launch of a new website for the bond program as part of an effort to provide transparency to the public. She said members look forward to serving this year and monitoring projects as they move forward.

The [CBOC annual report](#) is available on the District website.

### Facilities Bond Progress Report Presented

District Prop. V program manager **Larry Fugal** from Gafcon Inc. presented the semi-annual report on Prop. V activities. **Fugal** reviewed the tools and programs being implemented for Prop. V projects to meet the goals of transparency, accountability and completing projects on time and within budget. **Fugal** said the program is reaching out to local small and underutilized businesses to encourage participation in Prop. V projects.

The first small business outreach event has been held and another outreach event is planned for summer 2014. **Fugal** said all Prop. R work will wrap up within the next six months.



### Board Reports

Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Elsa Hernandez** paid off a bet to Grossmont College Student

Trustee **Zack Gianino** on the Griffin victory over the Coyotes in the Feb. 5 Grossmont vs. Cuyamaca basketball game, wearing an ASGC green T-shirt to the board meeting.

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## Board Reports

**Gianino** and **Hernandez** reported on legislative visits to Sacramento and Washington, D.C. Both described it as an eye-opening and moving experience. Chancellor **Cindy Miles** and trustees expressed pride in how well both student trustees handled themselves and the value of having both offer the student perspective on the impact of federal and state legislation on students.

Trustees reported on the SDICCCA dinner meeting featuring guest speaker Mark Cafferty, president and CEO of the San Diego Regional Economic Workforce Development Corporation. Vice President **Mary Kay Rosinski** and President **Bill Garrett** attended the Spring Scholarship Breakfast.

Trustee **Greg Barr** discussed the recent planning workshop reviewing strategic goals for board members; Garrett said the board is concentrating on making sure student success flows through everything the District does. Trustee **Edwin Hiel** said the workshop was extremely productive, showing that the board is working together well.

## Sabbatical projects approved for 2014-2015

Trustees unanimously approved 13 proposed sabbatical projects for Grossmont and Cuyamaca College academic faculty members **Joe Braunwarth, Sydney Brown, Timothy Buckles, Julie Cardenas, Paul Carmona, Beth Duggan, Pam Farmer, Steve Garcia, Gwenyth Mapes, David Mullen, Terrie Nichols, Ronald J. Norman, and Tim Pagaard.**

## Talking Trophies



*Student trustee Zack Gianino displayed third- and fourth-place trophies that were won by the Grossmont speech and debate team.*

## Presidents' Reports



- President **Sunny Cooke** announced that 78 students received merit and need-based scholarships at the Spring Scholarship Breakfast on Feb. 8.



- Grossmont College dance student Paul Anthony Mota was one of 10 choreographers featured at the fourth annual San Diego Young Choreographers Showcase on Feb. 15.

Grossmont College dean of Allied Health and Nursing **Debbie Yaddow** was featured in a Feb. 3 San Diego Business Journal article about proposed legislation that would allow community colleges to offer baccalaureate degrees in specific fields including nursing.



- President **Mark Zacovic** reported that seven Chafee Grant recipients at Cuyamaca College received Dell laptop computers from among 44 eligible recipients. All grant recipients are former foster youth or previously homeless.
- The Academic Senate honored two faculty members with its Award for Teaching Excellence: English Instructor **Lindy Brazil** and Paralegal Studies Instructor **Brandon Baker**. **Brazil** and **Baker** were selected from among 34 nominees.
- Zacovic** said 100 students and staff had their blood pressures checked and received health education from Health and Wellness Center nurses during the "Love Your Heart" campaign on campus Feb. 10 – 13.

## Human Resources Report

**Marsha Edwards**, Vice Chancellor Human Resources, said Resource Allocation Formula discussions are moving forward. The Salary Equity Task Force will meet next week. To date, 138 people have participated in the "Hiring Smart" training sessions.

## Chancellor's Report

**Miles** congratulated staff, faculty, students, and all who contributed to the tremendous work on behalf of the accreditation effort at Grossmont and Cuyamaca Colleges. Both colleges received reaffirmation of their accreditation for six years.

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## District Services Report



*From left: Chancellor Cindy Miles, trustee Debbie Justeson, trustee Edwin Hiel, Board President Bill Garrett, Cliff Diamond, student trustee Zack Gianino, student trustee Elsa Hernandez, trustee Mary Kay Rosinski, trustee Greg Barr, and Vice Chancellor Sue Rearic.*

Vice Chancellor Business Services **Sue Rearic** thanked **Cliff Diamond** for his service to the District over the past three years. The former El Cajon police chief performed public safety assessments, served as interim Public Safety Chief, and assisted with the public safety transition as well as the development of the new Campus and Parking Services department. **Miles** said **Diamond** made significant contributions and helped the District work through difficult situations through problem solving, professionalism and humanity.

### Capitol Experience

Communications and Public Information Director **Anne Krueger** presented a slideshow on the legislative trips to Sacramento and Washington, D.C. **Miles, Barr, Justeson, Krueger, Gianino, Hernandez** and ASGC President **Esau Cortez** and ASGCC President **Jaclyn Marlow** met with legislators in Sacramento. **Miles, Garrett, Hiel, Krueger, Gianino and Hernandez** traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with federal legislators and advocate for community colleges, and got caught in a snowstorm that crippled the city.



### Chancellor's report from P. 2

**Miles** reported on meeting University of California at San Diego Chancellor **Pradeep K. Khosla** as part of the San Diego and Imperial Counties Community College Association meeting held at UCSD.

The East County Chamber of Commerce awarded the District \$3,000 to help cover student textbook costs in business-related classes.

### Staff Reports

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Sue Gonda** announced that a Distinguished Faculty Award has been added for part-time faculty; academic ranking has also been extended to part-time faculty.

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Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Alicia Muñoz** said Art Instructor Deborah Babylon would hold an exhibition of paintings done during her sabbatical. Cuyamaca is sending a team from its English as a Second Language Department to professional training through the California Acceleration Project.

Classified Senate Vice President **Angela Johnson** reported that payroll technician **Yvette Macy** will take over as president of Classified Senate following the resignation of president **Avelina Mitchell**. Classified Staff Appreciation Day is scheduled for Monday, April 14, and will be held at Grossmont College.

## Staff Notes

Grossmont College welcomes **Caroline Althaus**, College Cashier, Administrative Services; **Jessica Gadd**, Computer Help Desk Specialist; **Jessica Owens**, Multimedia Technician; and **Sandra Ramos**, Admissions and Records Specialist. At Cuyamaca College, welcome to **Bradley McCombs**, Automotive Technology Instructor; and **Rieko Suto**, Health Services Nurse.

## Next Meeting

The Governing Board's next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at the Student Center, Cuyamaca College. The open session will begin at 6:30 p.m., following closed session scheduled for 5 p.m.

## Visting Paws

A contingent of leaders from Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges and the college district take a break during a recent legislative trip to the state capitol to pose next to a bronze replica of a grizzly bear outside the governor's office.



*From left: Grossmont College student body president Esau Cortez; Governing Board student trustee Zack Gianino; student trustee Elsa Hernandez; Cuyamaca College student body president Jaclyn Marlow; board trustee Debbie Justeson; Chancellor Cindy Miles; district communications director Anne Krueger and trustee Greg Barr.*

### Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District Governing Board Members:

Greg Barr, Bill Garrett, Edwin Hiel, Debbie Justeson, Mary Kay Rosinski ♦ **Student Trustees:** Zack Gianino, Elsa Hernandez  
**Chancellor:** Cindy L. Miles, Ph.D. ♦ **Grossmont President:** Sunita V. Cooke, Ph.D. ♦ **Cuyamaca President:** Mark J. Zacovic, Ph.D.