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Next Meeting

The Governing Board's next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015, at Grossmont College's Griffin Center.

The open session will begin at 6:30 p.m., following closed session scheduled for 5 p.m.

Meeting agendas are posted on the district [website](#) and in the district and presidents' offices 72 hours before regular meetings and 24 hours before special meetings.

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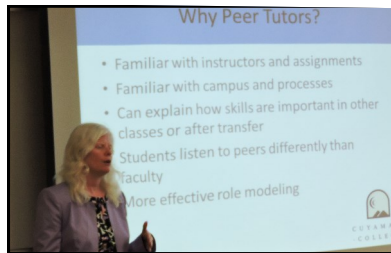
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CUYAMACA COLLEGE TUTORING CENTER TOUR

As part of its ongoing "Conversations about Student Success" series, Governing Board members and District employees heard an overview of the tutoring initiatives at Cuyamaca College. English instructor

Mary Graham talked about the importance of the professionalized peer-learning assistance model in use at Cuyamaca and how it makes a difference for students and tutors. Tutoring Center director **Veronica Nieves** talked about the vision and goals for tutoring, and online tutoring tools available to students.



English instructor Mary Graham talks about peer tutoring.

Seth Slater, an English instructor, began working as a tutor in Cuyamaca College's Writing Center. He is one of five former tutors now working in the college's English Department. "Our job is not to produce better papers, but to help students become better writers," **Slater** said.

Math instructor **Tammi Marshall** led a tour of the Tutoring Center and the STEM Achievement Center. Students in the First Year Experience program are required to participate in tutoring, and have shown a 24.5% increased success rate in their classes.

CTE students who undergo tutoring have higher retention and course success rates than students who have not been tutored. **Hien Nguyen**, an international student at Cuyamaca College, said tutoring helped her overcome the struggles she faced as a result of language barriers and teaching methods. "To tutor is to touch someone's life, and it's surely touched mine," she said.

English instructor **Tim Pagaard** talked about the advantages of having a tutor embedded in the classroom, which he said gave students a seriousness in their approach to learning.

FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Gafcon Program Manager **Peggy McGrew** presented the semi-annual Facilities Construction Update to trustees. **McGrew** highlighted program activities, including a collaborative review of the original Proposition R design standards to make sure they are still valid for Proposition V, and contractor outreach events.

McGrew said Gafcon recommended using CM @ Risk to ensure early collaboration between the design team and contractors in the competitive bidding process, with all contractors providing a guaranteed maximum price.

McGrew reviewed recent and upcoming projects, including energy conservation measures; repair and renovations to buildings, parking lots and roadways; and architectural design and development for the Grossmont College Arts and Communication Project. Plans now call for the Cuyamaca College Student Services building to be built where the Ornamental Horticulture Department is located and to add a new OH building, greenhouse, and gardens down the hill. Chancellor **Cindy Miles** noted the creative solution to meet Cuyamaca's needs should be commended. **McGrew's presentation** is posted on the Governing Board meetings and agendas page.



Math instructor Tammi Marshall leads a tutoring center tour.

BOARD ACTIONS

Governing Board members voted 5-0 to approve the 2015-2016 Adoption Budget. Board President **Bill Garrett** noted the many hours of work by District staff and board members that went into the document and thanked everyone for their efforts.

Trustees also voted 5-0 to adopt Resolution 16-003, "Proposition 4," Gann Limit, setting the District's 2015-2016 appropriations limit at \$143,191,550. Vice Chancellor Business Services **Sue Rearic** explained this is required as part of an annual appropriations limit for all community colleges, which restricts state spending to a specific proportion formula of the District's overall budget.

With the exception of items 305 and 306, all other items on the docket were approved by consent.

- The Board adopted revisions to the following board policies:
 - ◆ BP 3280 Grants
 - ◆ BP 3600 Auxiliary Organizations
- Reviewed new administrative procedures:
 - ◆ AP 3280 Grants
 - ◆ AP 3600 Auxiliary Organizations
- Authorized Budget and Finance matters to include accepting a final report on the 2014/2015 budget
- Granted authority to the Chancellor to approve any budget changes; acceptance of revenues, new grants, donations and revisions to the working budget, and granted authority to the Chancellor to budget these funds; approval of purchase orders and warrants issued during August 2015; ratified signatures on agreements.
- Ratified the actions of the Chancellor to accept, budget, and spend, as appropriate, donations to the college district.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Miles asked Communications and Public Information Director **Anne Krueger** to present the District's newly published [2014-2015 Annual Report](#) to Governing Board members. The theme is "Faces of GCCCD," honoring the diversity of the District. It will be provided to the East County community, elected officials and potential donors.

Miles thanked the teams that worked innumerable hours to produce the adoption budget.

Miles said she and Garrett will travel to the California Community College Board of Governors meeting on September 21 to have the District's fiscal independence formally recognized. This will allow the District to begin payroll processing in-house. The state's Accreditation Task Force, of which **Miles** is the statewide CEO representative, will also present its report at the same meeting.

Under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Human Resources **Tim Corcoran**, an Adjunct Faculty Task Force has been established with both faculty and administration representatives. The task force will create a vetted pool of adjuncts available to help streamline the enrollment management process.

New Cuyamaca College President **Julianna Barnes** will officially start October 1.

BOARD REPORTS

Governing Board members attended the San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce "First Friday" breakfast hosted at Grossmont College. President **Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh** was introduced to the business community by auctioneer **Steve Hamman** in an enjoyable repartee.

Board members also attended and enjoyed the Community Welcome event for Abu-Ghazaleh.

Garrett attended the Grossmont College football game against Southwestern College stating it was a fantastic performance by the team.

Grossmont College Student Trustee **Rafael Navarrete** said he is working on regular communication with students using social media to report on Governing Board meetings. Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Evan Esparza** said Cuyamaca College's student government has elected new senators, a treasurer and vice president, and is in the process of revising its constitution.

Navarrete and **Esparza** shared their appreciation for the civility and professionalism of the board and chancellor — a stark contrast to what some of their student trustee colleagues have reported across the state.



STAFF REPORTS

Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Alicia Muñoz** said sabbatical workshop presentations will take place this month at both Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges. Both colleges are preparing for the “Achieving the Dream” Kickoff event on September 17 and 18, where participants will work to identify opportunity gaps that impact student equity.

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Tate Hurvitz** said the Academic Senate is preparing for its “World Café Event” to kick start the next six– year plan. Discussions will focus on planning processes and challenges revealed in the data.

STAFF NOTES

Welcome to **Janet Eveland**, **Jack Phillips**, **Jessica Turbeville**, and **Thamir Yacoub**, Instructional Lab Assistants, Cuyamaca College; **Niall-Conor Garcia**, Chemistry Technician, Cuyamaca College; **Corrine Hensley**, Tutoring Center Specialist, Cuyamaca College; and **Krissy Lovering**, Physical and Natural Sciences Technician, Grossmont College.

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