

GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA Community College District

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Highlights from the Governing Board Meeting

JAN. 19, 2016

AUDIT REPORTS CONTINUE RECORD OF EXCELLENCE

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Governing Board members

Greg Barr, Bill Garrett, Edwin Hiel, Debbie Justeson, Mary Kay Rosinski **Student Trustees:** Evan Esparza, Rafael Navarrete

Chancellor: Cindy L. Miles, Ph.D. Grossmont President: Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh, Ed.D. Cuyamaca President: Julianna Barnes, Ed.D.

Next Meeting

The Governing Board's next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Grossmont College's Griffin Gate.

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 <u>website</u> and in the district and presidents' offices 72 hours before regular meetings and 24 hours before special meetings.

8800 Grossmont College Dr. El Cajon, CA 92020 (619) 644—7010 <u>www.gcccd.edu</u> **Christy White**, of the accounting firm Christy White Associates, presented Governing Board members the 12th consecutive audit reports completed for the District, Foundation, and Auxiliary for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2015.



All audits achieved the highest possible results, no modifications, and "unqualified" or clean results. **White** called it a low risk, very clean report for the District. The Foundation and Auxiliary audits also got clean results.

White said a new requirement this year is to report the District's proportionate share of pension underfunding in the audits. The total, \$80 million, has always existed and does not change the audit findings.

Vice Chancellor District Services **Sue Rearic** added the certified public accounting firm of Vicenti, Lloyd, Stutzman, LLP, presented

clean audits to the Governing Board for the Proposition R and V Bond Building Funds for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2015.

President **Bill Garrett** and Vice President **Mary Kay Rosinski** complimented District staff for their hard work to achieve these results.

The reports are available on the Governing Board agenda under docket items 651 through 653.

GROSSMONT COLLEGE FACILITIES PLAN UPDATE REPORT



Gafcon Inc. Project Manager **Penny McGrew** introduced a presentation from architectural firm LPA Inc. on the current planning and design process for the Grossmont College Arts and Communication Complex project, including renderings of the proposed facility. A Design Council composed of faculty and staff members from the involved disciplines are involved in the design process with LPA.

Under Proposition V, the Arts and Communications Complex will encompass five buildings in three phases, including a new performance theater with pre-function space that can also accommodate art displays. The current plan incorporates architectural features on existing campus buildings. Gallery space and grand lobby space ties the new and old theater buildings together.



The plans will be submitted to the state for approval by the beginning of 2017, with construction scheduled to begin in June 2017. LPA Inc. has kept estimated costs within the existing budget.

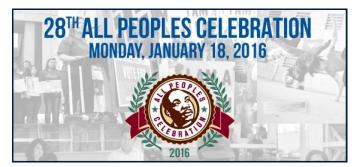
BOARD REPORTS

Rosinski met with the Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce, noting that many of its members have attended Grossmont or Cuyamaca College.

Board member **Edwin Hiel** noted the positive discussion at the Grossmont College convocation and also enjoyed attending the 28th All Peoples Celebration marking the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

Trustee **Debbie Justeson** welcomed the many new employees recently hired by the District.

Cuyamaca College student trustee **Evan Esparza** said the student government created a new website, <u>www.asgcuyamaca.org</u>.



Grossmont College student trustee **Rafael Navarrete** attended the Grossmont College Convocation and commented on the great presentation on minority male college students by Drs. Frank Harris and Luke Wood. He also reported on the phone calls to students on wait lists or those targeted to be dropped for nonpayment to schedule counseling sessions.

Garrett enjoyed attending the Classified Staff and Grossmont College convocations.

BOARD ACTIONS

With the exception of item 304, all other items on the docket were approved by consent.

Rosinski inquired about a change order under Item 304 for pool equipment replacement at Grossmont College. McGrew said it was discovered during the repairs a new



circulation pump was required. The item was approved by a vote of 5-0.

- Adopted the revised 2016 Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District Governance Handbook for Effective Decision-Making.
- Reviewed and adopted revisions to Board Policy 5016, Veterans Affairs.
- Accepted a report on the current budget status, and granting authority to the Chancellor to approve any budget changes; acceptance of revenues, new grants, donations and revisions to the working budget, and grant authority to the Chancellor to budget these funds; approval of purchase orders and warrants issued during December 2015; ratification of signatures of agreements.
- Ratified actions to accept, budget, and spend, as appropriate, donations to the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District.
- Granted authority to establish the nonresident tuition fee at the statewide average cost of \$211 per unit for fiscal year 2016-2017 beginning with the fall term.



- Granted authority to award Bid 16.008 for Purchase and Installation of two Ultrasound Machines for Cardiovascular Technology Program at Grossmont College to the lowest responsive bidder; and execute appropriate contract documents prior to ratification by the Governing Board at the next meeting following the bid opening.
- Ratified the awarding of Bid 16.001, Cuyamaca College Parking Lot/Roadway Repairs Phase 2 to PAL General Engineering, Inc., to the lowest responsive bidder.
- Ratified the awarding of Bid 15.020, Cuyamaca College Upgrade Electrical Panel to GA Technical Service, Inc., to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** reported on the Governor's 2016-17 budget proposal released Jan. 7. It would provide access for 50,000 more community college students statewide with no fee increases. The budget also calls for 2 percent enrollment growth, a 0.47 percent cost of living adjustment, and one-time funding for scheduled maintenance and energy efficiency projects.

The District and colleges are recruiting for 100 new positions during the spring semester, including new positions made possible by student support and restricted programs funding.

Grossmont College will host state Chancellor Brice Harris on January 25 for one of his last Chancellor's Circle lunch events prior to his retirement in April.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE AlumniFest.org Associate Vice Chancellor of Advancement and Communications **John Valencia** asked everyone to save the date Friday, March 11, for AlumniFest, a new alumni-recognition event at a San Diego Gulls hockey home game. Alumni from all nine community colleges in the region are invited to attend a 5 p.m. pre-game tailgate and sit in a special alumni section during the game starting at 7:05. The event will be supported with a website, radio advertising, and interviews on IHeartMedia radio stations in San Diego.

STAFF REPORTS

Classified Staff representative **Ari Ahmadian** said classified staff is working with state classified leaders on restructuring, and they are reviewing the Constitution and bylaws.

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Tate Hurvitz** reported more than 50 coordinated professional development sessions are being held during professional development week for faculty on a wide range of topics related to student success.



Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Alicia Muñoz** expressed what an honor it is to have English Instructor **Seth Slater** receive a SDICCCA Adjunct Faculty award and to be a nominee for the Hayward Award (winner announcement expected in March); and also the nomination of counselor Jesus Miranda for the John &

Suanne Roueche Excellence Award. She stated the Senate is working to weave the Achieving the Dream initiative into the 2016-2022 Strategic Plan.

STAFF NOTES

Welcome to new faculty members at Cuyamaca College: Fabrienne Bouton, Biology Instructor; Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks, History Instructor; Tania Jabour, English Instructor; Lamia Raffo, Mathematics Instructor; and Jennifer Tomaschke, Exercise Science Instructor.

Grossmont College welcomes its new faculty members: **Sebastien Cormier**, Physics/Astronomy Instructor; **Carey Flores**, Respiratory Therapy Instructor; **David Greenheck**, Mathematics Instructor; **Melonie Grinnell**, Music Instructor; **Kelly Menck**, Administration of Justice Instructor; **Danielle Sow**, English Instructor: and **Brian Rickel**, Theatre Arts Instructor, Grossmont College.

New staff members recently hired: **Nallely Geick**, Counseling and Assessment Center Supervisor, Grossmont College; **Tyson Gingery**, Research Analyst, District Services; **Gabrielle Gosselin**, Counselor, CalWORKs, Grossmont College; **Melissa Molina**, Chemistry Technician, Cuyamaca College; **Kris Saradpon**, Instructional Lab Assistant, Senior, Grossmont College; **Corina Trevino**, Athletic Operations Specialist, Cuyamaca College; and **Lekaa Yaldekko**, Student Services Assistant, Cuyamaca College.

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