GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

THE COURIER

Highlights from the Governing Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

GCCCD

Governing Board members

Greg Barr, Bill Garrett, Edwin Hiel, Debbie Justeson, Mary Kay Rosinski Student Trustees: Sebastian Caparelli, Evan Esparza

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, Oct. 18, at Grossmont College's Griffin Gate.

The open session will begin at 6:30 p.m., following closed session set 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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GAFCON FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Governing Board members received the semiannual <u>Facilities</u> <u>Construction Update</u>. Gafcon Inc. Program Manager **Penny McGrew** highlighted program activity progress funded under Proposition V.



A crew works on the 12kV main service replacement at Grossmont College.

Energy conservation measures at the district have been \$300,000 under budget to date, with the savings allocated to other college projects. Lighting and HVAC upgrades are substantially completed.

McGrew reviewed recent and upcoming projects, including significant infrastructure improvements



A new HVAC unit is now in place atop the L Building at Cuyamaca College.

and replacement of the main 12kV electrical service line, which will be switched over during the winter break.

Architectural design and development is progressing for the Grossmont College Arts & Communication Complex and Teaching & Performance Theater and the Cuyamaca College Ornamental Horticulture Complex and Student Services & Administration Complex (includes a Veterans Center).

COLLEGES REVIEW MIDTERM ACCREDITATION REPORTS

Trustees accepted the midterm accreditation reports Cuyamaca College and Grossmont College prepared for the usual cycle of review by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). Associate Vice Chancellor of Research, Planning and Technology Christopher Tarman said the reports are self-evaluations, reminding the colleges of their commitments to follow up on all recommendations in the original reports and continue to make improvements.

Cuyamaca College Interim Vice President of Instruction **Pat Setzer** said all three recommendations to correct deficiencies have been addressed to ACCJC's satisfaction. These dealt with curriculum review, staffing plans, and human resources.

Grossmont College Interim Senior Dean of College Planning and Institutional Effectiveness **Aaron Starck** said Grossmont College has addressed its actionable improvement plans, including a review of its mission statement, improved accessibility to the college website, and services for distance education students.

GOVERNING BOARD APPROVES 2016-2017 ADOPTION BUDGET



After opening and closing the formal public hearing, Governing Board members approved the 2016-2017 <u>Adoption Budget</u> with a 5-0 vote. President **Bill Garrett** thanked Associate Vice Chancellor **Doug Jenson** and everyone who did "extraordinary work" putting the budget together.

BOARD ACTIONS

With the exception of item 201, 202, 203, and 306, all other items on the docket were approved by consent.

In other docket items, the Governing Board:

- Elected Governing Board member Edwin Hiel as the District's Voting Delegate for the Association of Community College Trustees Leadership Congress.
- Reviewed and adopted revisions to Board Policy BP 3520, Local Law Enforcement.
- Accepted a final status on the 2016-2017 budget; granted authority
 to approve any budget changes; acceptance of revenues, new grants,
 donations and revisions to the working budget, and granted authority
 to budget these funds; approval of purchase orders and warrants issued during August 2016; ratification of
 signatures of agreements.
- Adopted Resolution 17-006, "Proposition 4, Gann Limit" setting the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District's 2016-2017 appropriations limit at \$155,247,012.
- Granted authority to award Bid B17.001, Grossmont College Building 21 Corridor Alteration Enhancements, to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications and execute appropriate contract documents.
- Granted authority to award Bid 17.003, Grossmont College Digital Media Communications Upgrades Phase II, to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications and execute appropriate contract documents.
- Granted authority to award Bid 17.002, Districtwide Purchase and Installation of Storage Area Networks (SANS) to one of the three lowest responsive bidders.
- Reviewed revisions to administrative procedures AP 3520, Local Law Enforcement.

BOARD REPORTS

Board members congratulated everyone involved in the Cuyamaca College convocation held Aug. 17.

Vice President **Mary Kay Rosinski** reported she and **Garrett** attended the scholarship breakfast hosted by the Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges. They congratulated the 135 recipients who received more than \$80,000 in scholarship funds. President **Garrett** noted the large number of Osher Scholarship recipients.

Trustee **Greg Barr** reported the Project Labor Agreement is still being negotiated.

Barr said he, Garrett, and Chancellor Cindy Miles attended a SDICCCA presentation on open educational resources (OER) as an alternative to expensive textbooks. Barr noted in many cases, textbook costs cause students not to take a class. OER now has a lot of support at state and national levels, with several websites offering resources for instructors. Barr urged faculty members and the college Academic Senates to push for more information on these programs.

Board member **Hiel** said he and **Miles** will be giving a presentation along with the San Diego Community College District for the upcoming Association of Community College Trustees Conference next month.

Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Evan Esparza** said he attended the scholarship breakfast and was honored to be one of the scholarship recipients. **Esparza** reported positive feedback on the accelerated math program at Cuyamaca College. Grossmont College Student Trustee **Sebastian Caparelli** said he was enrolled in accelerated math, and it has been a positive experience. **Caparelli** complimented the good work done by the Financial Aid office at Grossmont College.

Garrett said he is glad to see the OER movement, since he has been an advocate for lowering textbook costs for a decade. **Garrett** said he observed students in a theater arts class, which reminded him of the value of community colleges to many people who would not be attending college otherwise.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** congratulated the Cuyamaca College Outstanding Faculty Award winners, English Instructor **Lauren Halsted** and Mathematics Instructor **Terrie Nichols**, who both received the full-time faculty award; and Arabic Instructor **Aklas Sheai**, the part-time faculty recipient.

Miles reported Cuyamaca College President **Julianna Barnes** is recovering and is on track to return according to her schedule. **Miles** thanked **Bob Garber** for filling in.



Miles announced the District was one of nine community colleges nationwide honored with the Insight into Diversity magazine "Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award."

The District was one of 60 community college districts represented at the California College Promise Event in Oakland, California.

Miles participated in a news conference urging a yes vote on Proposition 55, which would extend the tax on wealthy Californians under Proposition 30. Sixteen percent of the District's budget currently comes from Prop 30 funds.

Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Valencia reported a \$20,000 matching

Organizational Development **John Valencia** reported a \$20,000 matching donation from longtime Theatre Arts supporters **Laura** and **Bob Duggan**. The



Amber Hughes Lori Schick

donation helps to fund the Summer Conservatory Program, a partnership with area high schools.

Valencia said Amber Hughes is the Foundation's new full-time East County Educational Alliance Coordinator. Lori Schick is the foundation's new Director of Development.



Bob and Laura Duggan are longtime supporters of Grossmont College's Theatre Arts program.

STAFF REPORTS

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Tate Hurvitz** reported 200 faculty submitted pledge cards to work on at least two of the five retention strategies included in the new "We're All In" campaign.

Hurvitz said faculty leaders are working on a project proposal moving forward on open educational resources. The college continues its efforts in English and math acceleration. More faculty will participate in upcoming training.



Welcome to new employees Amber Hughes, East County Education Alliance Coordinator, District Services; Matthew Ring and Hossna Sadat, Counselors, Grossmont College; and Heriberto Vasquez, Outreach Coordinator, Admissions & Records, Grossmont College.



