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Next Meeting

The Governing Board's

Cuyamaca College's Athletics and Exercise Science departments toured



Track and Field coach **Patrick Thiss** leads a tour of Cuyamaca College's renovated athletics and exercise facilities.

Ryan Shumaker, Cuyamaca College's Associate Dean of Athletics, led a presentation for Governing Board members on the Athletics and Exercise Science Departments at Cuyamaca College. Cuyamaca offers 11 sports and has 176 student athletes. All of the athletes are full-time students and excel in academics as well as athletics.

Seven athletes discussed why they liked competing in sports at Cuyamaca College and some of the challenges they face balancing their studies and athletics. They said a busy workload required them to make good use of



their time. **Patrick Thiss**, men's Track and Field coach, gave a tour of Cuyamaca's renovated Fitness Center and weight room. The college is also renovating its

track, which will have one of the best fields in the conference.

next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 21, at Grossmont College's Griffin Gate.

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

Site Reports

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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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Audit reports continue record of excellence

Governing Board members received the District's 13th consecutive outstanding audit reports completed by Christy White Accountancy Corporation, covering the District, Foundation, and Auxiliary for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2016.

All audits achieved the highest possible results with no adjustments and "unqualified" or clean results, and no compliance findings. **Christy White** said the District has a history of clean audits. She complimented District staff for the smooth implementation of new payroll, purchasing, accounts payable and cash handling systems, all of which are reviewed in relation to financial statements.

Vice Chancellor Business Services **Sue Rearic** complimented District staff for their dedication to ensure that all documentation is tight and all transactions can be substantiated to support the audits.

The audit reports for the [District](#), [Foundation](#), and [Auxiliary](#) are available on the Governing Board website page.

Proposition R and V bond funds receive clean audits

Rearic reported on Proposition R and Proposition V bond fund audits for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2016, conducted by the Certified Public Accounting firm of Vicenti, Lloyd, Stutzman, LLC. **Rearic** said the audit found no deficiencies and no compliance findings. All Proposition R funds have been spent, and this is the final audit of this bond fund.

Both audits achieved the highest possible results, no modifications and "unqualified" (meaning clean) results. The audit reports for [Prop. R](#) and [Prop. V](#) are available on the Governing Board website page.

Board Reports

Governing Board members thanked Cuyamaca College Athletics and Exercise Science Department faculty and staff and student athletes for the tour of campus athletic facilities. Trustees described the student-

athletes they spoke with as poised and impressive. Board member **Edwin Hiel** called them "inspiring" and said they are learning a lot of life skills.



President **Garrett** said he was impressed with the many facilities improvements in the Cuyamaca College athletics

and Exercise Science areas.

Board Actions

Item 501 was pulled for public comment and subsequently ratified. Items 651, 652, and 653, were pulled for presentations. No action was required. All other items on the docket were approved by consent. The Governing Board:

- Granted authority to establish the nonresident tuition fee at the statewide average cost of \$234 per unit for fiscal year 2017-2018 beginning with the fall term.
- Granted authority to authorize Donald Schultz and Tiffany Faulstich, Ornamental Horticulture instructors, and six Cuyamaca College students to travel to Provo, Utah from March 13-19, 2017 to participate in the National Collegiate Landscape Competition.
- Adopted Resolution 17-007, Purchase of Motorola Radio Equipment pursuant to RFP. No 6979 from Motorola Solutions, Inc., awarded by the County of San Diego.
- Rejected all bids received for Bid B16.013, Cuyamaca College One Stop Interim Improvements; and Bid 17.003, Grossmont College Digital Media Communications Upgrades Phase II.
- Amended the ratification of Bid 16.016, Cuyamaca College Child Development Center Roof Replacement, to Chambers Inc., DBA Roof Construction Inc., the lowest responsive bidder.
- Ratified the action in awarding Bid 17.001, Grossmont College Building 21 Corridor Alteration,

to Conan Construction, Inc., the lowest responsive bidder.

Chancellor's Report



Associate Vice Chancellor of Business Services **Doug Jensen**, Grossmont College Vice President of Administrative Services **Lorenze Legaspi**, and Cuyamaca College Vice President of Administrative Services **Sahar Abushaban** gave a

[presentation](#) about factors that influence the District's budget, including the Faculty Obligation

Number (FON), Full Time Equivalent Students (FTES) and the impact of the District's increasing contributions to CalSTRS and CalPERS. **Jensen** noted the District continues in its objective to use funding from all sources to provide a quality education for students while producing a balanced budget.

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** welcomed **Paul Carmona** as the new Cuyamaca College Academic Senate president.

Miles said it is a time of uncertainty and change in higher education both nationally and statewide, but said she is confident in the District's, Governing Board's, faculty's and staff's ability to manage any challenges that may come. The governor's proposed budget is conservative, offered with the admonition to save funds for a potential economic downturn.

Miles said all five Governing Board members are traveling to Sacramento in late January to participate in statewide advocacy activities, and four trustees and two student leaders are traveling to Washington, D.C. for federal advocacy efforts in February.

District and college representatives attended the San Diego County Educators Breakfast, and the San Diego All Peoples' Breakfast honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Staff Reports

Grossmont College President **Nabil Abu-Ghazalah**

highlighted the accomplishments of Grossmont College football player **Adrian Tolbert**, who was named a First Team All-American by the California Community College Athletic Association. The wide receiver, who is being recruited by several universities, achieved success although his family of six has been forced to live in a small trailer at a regional park.



Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Paul Carmona** said the joint meeting of the Cuyamaca and Grossmont College Academic Senates will discuss responding to the needs of students with immigration issues.

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Tate Hurvitz** said several big projects and initiatives are ahead for the new semester, including a new learning management system, new compressed calendar, and new strategic planning process, including the mapping of degree and certificate programs.

Staff Notes

Welcome to new employees and congratulations to existing employees with new positions: **Kenneth Emmons**, Senior Director, Districtwide Facilities, District Services; **Joanne Falsetta**, Medical Surgical Nursing Instructor, Grossmont College; **Robert Fargo**, Learning and Technology Resource Center Supervisor, Grossmont College; **Jennifer Fujimoto**, Senior Director, Fiscal Operations, District Services; **Illiana Garcia**, Financial Aid Advisor, Grossmont College; **Jane Gazale**, Arabic Instructor, Cuyamaca College; **Alison Harrison**, Pediatric Nursing Instructor, Grossmont College; **Nicole Jones**, Dean, Counseling Services, Cuyamaca College; **William McGreevy**, Dean, Arts, Languages and Communication, Grossmont College; **Larry McLemore**, Dean, Career and Technical Education, Cuyamaca College; **Maura Mehrian**, Child Development Center Coordinator, Grossmont College; and **Selene Miles**, Biology Instructor, Grossmont College.

Public Comment

AFT representative **Jim Mahler** discussed employee reclassifications included in Item 501. Board members passed Item 501 with a 5-0 vote.

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