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Next Meeting

Student leaders discuss benefits of campus involvement



Student trustees **Evan Esparza**, representing Cuyamaca College, **Sebastian Caparelli**, representing Grossmont College, and nine student leaders held a panel discussion on the importance of student leadership to them and to the colleges.



Esparza and **Caparelli** said they serve as advocates for students with college leadership and with state and federal legislators. **Sara Varghese**, Grossmont College's interim associate dean of student affairs, and **Lauren Vaknin**, associate dean of student affairs at Cuyamaca

College, discussed events and workshops designed to engage students and promote leadership.

The student panelists – **Kaitlin D'Eimon**, **Brandon Vivero**, and **Mia Harris** from Grossmont College and **Iveth Estrada**, **Niveen Almezory**, **Jesus Suarez**, **Angelina Campos**, and **Saadia Ali** from Cuyamaca College - talked about how they were motivated to become leaders and how their leadership roles had helped them improve as students and develop more confidence.

The Governing Board's next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 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.

Site Reports

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Board's final judgment an exemplary one for legal counsel Tim Garfield

Governing Board members honored attorney **Timothy K. Garfield** for 37 years of exemplary legal counsel.

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** called **Garfield** a "friend and supporter of the District." She noted that he began representing the District while he worked in the County Counsel's office from 1972-



1979, formed a law firm in 1979, and began representing GCCCD a year later. He officially signed on as the District's legal counsel in 1983.

Although **Garfield** provides legal representation for the District and is not an employee, **Miles** noted only four others have worked longer for the District.

Well-regarded for his expertise in education law, **Garfield** co-authored a book on the topic in 2010. He played an instrumental role in negotiating property mitigation allowing the construction of Cuyamaca College's physical education facility, and was also key in drafting the legal documents to create the Heritage of the Americas Museum and Water Conservation Garden. **Miles** described his legal opinions as wise, thoughtful, and well-researched, with an approach that helped the District avoid costly litigation through preventative law to "make sure we are doing things legally and correctly – the right way."

Garfield said it has been a privilege to represent the District for many years, and watch it become a major force in East County.

Curriculum innovations approved for Cuyamaca College

Curriculum co-chair **Chuck Charter** highlighted Cuyamaca College curriculum changes for Governing Board approval to permit inclusion in the Fall 2017 schedule. Two new companion classes, Math 106 and ESL 21, will help students who need language and cultural support to successfully complete an accelerated pathway into standard Math, allowing students to move on to college algebra or business calculus.



A modification in the Ford ASSET program in Automotive Technology will permit program expansion into Imperial Valley and Palm Desert. Lectures will be presented online, and students will complete lab work

at Ford dealerships in their area.

Project Labor Agreement evaluation plan approved

Trustees approved a Project Labor Agreement Evaluation Plan for the Proposition V Bond Program by a vote of 5-0. **Marty Glaske**, vice president of labor relations for Gafcon, Inc., said the plan establishes four key performance indicators in the areas of local hiring, project cost impacts, project schedule impacts, and project costs overall. The plan designates roles and responsibilities and reporting procedures.

Glaske said the local hiring goal is 90 percent of workers from San Diego County, with 40 percent of the workers from zip codes in the District, including qualified veterans. Project cost impacts will be measured against the District's Facilities Funding Plan, validated by program management. The overall project costs will track implementation and administrative costs and be measured against the District's existing Labor Compliance Program.

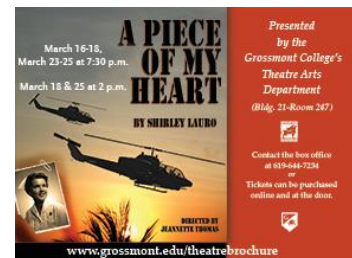
The PLA applies to three projects: Phase 1 of the Arts & Communication Complex - Teaching & Performance Theater; and Phase 1 Science, Math, & Career Tech Complex (Building 31) at Grossmont College, and the Ornamental Horticulture Complex at Cuyamaca College.

Trustees said they were impressed with the pre-board workshop on student leadership. Trustee **Edwin Hiel** said the panel of students show tremendous potential. Board member **Debbie Justeson** commented on how engaged the students are in our college community and how they help make both campuses welcoming.

Trustee **Greg Barr** said it was impressive that even students who don't like public speaking engaged with the audience and noted all of the students emphasized the importance of teamwork.

Trustee **Elena Adams** said the fact that most students can name faculty and staff instrumental to their learning, points to the impact educators have on students.

Cuyamaca College Student Trustee **Evan Esparza** attended the Culinary Arts Dinner at Grossmont College, followed by a theater performance on the theme of the Vietnam War. **Esparza** said the audience was emotional over the subject matter and the acting was phenomenal. He thanked everyone who attended the student leadership workshop prior to the Governing Board meeting.



Grossmont College Student Trustee **Sebastian Caparelli** said he is interested in pursuing more use of Online Educational Resources (OER). **Caparelli** said he and ASGC President **Kaitlin D'eimon** are mentoring future leaders.

Board President **Bill Garrett** thanked both student trustees for their leadership and work to prepare next year's student trustees. **Garrett** said what struck him in conversing with students was their emphasis on social justice and diversity.

Garrett said the state task force on strategic enrollment management held its first meeting last month. **Garrett** said trustees need to know what it is and how it is impacting student success, budgets, and strategic plans.

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor **Cindy Miles** commended the student leaders panel, and associate deans who work alongside them. She recognized student trustees **Sebastian Caparelli**



and **Evan Esparza** for the impact of their leadership and their purposeful approach in growing student leaders at both colleges and getting others more engaged.

Miles said accreditation workgroups are discussing the future of accreditation, including support for a single accreditor for colleges and universities.

Miles reported District representatives are attending budget hearings and monitoring legislature, as the District begins to develop next year's budget.

Miles and members of the Water Conservation Garden board enjoyed a tour of San Diego County Water Authority's Carlsbad desalination plant.

From Closed Session

The Governing Board, by a vote of 5-0, approved a separation agreement with a confidential administrator.

Staff Reports

Cuyamaca College President **Julianna Barnes** introduced **Aiden Ely**, the new interim Vice President of Student Services. He has 30 years of community college experience and is known for work in student success and student equity.

Barnes said the Ornamental Horticulture Department's six-student team achieved top five placements in several categories in its first appearance at the National Collegiate Landscape Competition at BYU in Utah.

Grossmont College President **Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh** reported on the 50th anniversary celebration of the Nursing Program, attended by faculty, students, and alumni from the program. The oldest graduate from 1975, **Terri Gilbert**, and the most recent graduate cut a commemorative cake.



Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Organizational Development **John Valencia** invited everyone to participate in the second annual AlumniFest at the San Diego Gulls hockey game on Saturday, March 25. He said last year's inaugural event was one of the largest gatherings of community college alumni in the United States.



District Services Classified Senate President **Yvette Macy** said Classified Professional Development Day, with the theme, "Going the Extra Mile," is scheduled for Monday, March 27. The Classified Senates were finalists in 4CS competition for model Academic Senate programs in the state.

Grossmont College Academic Senate President **Tate Hurvitz** read from a recently approved resolution supporting and protecting a diverse student body at Grossmont College.

Cuyamaca College Academic Senate President **Paul Carmona** said the Senate passed a resolution supporting the Governing Board's Resolution 17-009 supporting students with immigration difficulties and other challenges.

Board Actions

With the exception of Items 201, 406, and 407 (all of which were approved following public comment), 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.
- Approved an expenditure plan for Education Protection Act funds.
- Granted authority to award Bid B17.031, Cuyamaca College Median Improvements Project; Bid

B17.032, Cuyamaca College Water/Wastewater Outdoor Water Distribution System Demonstration Area Project; and Bid B16.018, Cuyamaca College LRC Rooftop Air Handler Units, to the lowest responsive bidder.

- Adopted Resolution 17-010 Rental and/or Purchase of Relocatable Modular Buildings from Bid 1512 Awarded by the Garden Grove Unified School District and permitted by Public Contract Code 20652.
- Granted authority to file a Notice of Competition for Bid B16.011, with Baker Electric, Inc., and release retention as allowed in the contract documents.
- Granted authority to award Bids B17.006 to B17.030, Grossmont College Arts & Communication Complex, Phase 1 Teaching & Performance Theater, to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications, and execute appropriate contract documents and assign novation to Construction Manager prior to ratification by the Governing Board.
- Ratified the action of the Chancellor in obtaining permission from the County Superintendent of Schools to declare the repair of sewage pumps in Building 32 at Grossmont College an emergency project and waive bidding requirements pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20654; and entering into any contracts necessary to repair the sewage pumps.
- Considered employment of tenure-track faculty Reviewed and adopted revisions to administrative procedures AP 2365, Recording.

Staff Notes

Welcome to new employees **Susan Berry**, Student Engagement Coordinator, Grossmont College; **David Loren Holmquist**, Grounds and Maintenance Supervisor, Grossmont College; and **Rana Al-Shaikh**, Business Services Specialist, Cuyamaca College.