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President's Report to the Governing Board *July 22, 2014*

🐾 Cuyamaca College's UP! Program Receives Grant

The El Cajon Elks Lodge donated school supplies and vouchers for books and transportation to students in a Cuyamaca College program. Cuyamaca College Professor Emeritus **Mr. Anthony Zambelli**, who continues to work at the college, decided to put his longtime membership with the El Cajon Elks Lodge to use to support former foster youth through Cuyamaca College's Unlimited Potential (UP!) program. A \$2,000 grant from the Elks National Foundation paid for backpacks, school supplies and vouchers, along with a pizza lunch for the UP! students who benefitted from the Elks' largesse.



🐾 EOPS Students Prepare for the Fall Semester

On July 9 and 10, Cuyamaca College Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) piloted an "EOPS PREP" (Priority Registration Enrollment Program) in the Student Services Quad so that EOPS students were prepared to register for fall classes on their Priority Registration days. One hundred twenty-three students created their fall semester class schedules and had them approved by their EOPS counselors. EOPS piloted the program in advance so that all five priority registration groups (EOPS, DSPS, CalWORKs, former foster youth, and active military/veterans) can participate in a similar event for future registration dates. By attending the event, EOPS students maximized their registration date and time by being completely prepared with a schedule of classes. Despite the heat, students enjoyed themselves with snacks, free water bottles, pens, and EOPS gas cards or bus pass vouchers. Many counselors and staff from Student Services participated in making the event a success, as did the Associated Students ambassadors and other students who volunteered.

🐾 Students Dress for Success

Cuyamaca College students from the UP! Program for former foster youth celebrated their graduation and/or transfer to a university by embarking on a professional dress shopping spree. Through generous donations, each student was provided with \$225 and paired with a "professional shopper" aka staff from EOPS, Financial Aid, and other departments on campus. The happy grads were taught how to look for appropriate clothing, assess clothing quality, and learned how to mix and match pieces for maximum impact to their professional wardrobe. Afterwards, the UP! students were treated to lunch by their shoppers. Through the clever use of coupons and discounts, the UP! students walked away with wardrobes worth up to \$1,000! It was a day to remember, and the UP! program is appreciative of the donations and support to its students.



🐾 Cuyamaca College Represented at the San Diego County Fair



Eight artists from Cuyamaca College displayed their artwork at the San Diego County Fair. Part time instructor, **Ms. Mary Ford**, won an award for her landscape *Inspirational Light* and **Ms. Eva D'Aminco**, former art student, won first place in the non-representational all media category. Other participants were **Dr. Marie**



Ramos (Department Chair); and students **Ms. Christine Daniels**, **Ms. Charlene Mosley**, **Ms. Ashley Soto**, **Ms. Yvonne Trottier**, and **Ms. Darlene Watson**. Hundreds of art pieces were submitted, and a select few received awards. This speaks very highly of our strong art department and those who instruct our students. Congratulations!

🐾 All-American Student Athletes



The Cuyamaca College Track and Field student-athletes had an outstanding weekend at the California Community College State Championships. Sophomore **Ryan Maize** won the State Title and earned All-American status in the 3,000 meter steeple chase. In addition to Ryan, Cuyamaca College Pole Vaulters **Shane Hoagland** and **Xander Law** placed second and fourth, respectively, earning both All-American honors. **Dana Hosley** had her lifetime best throw in the Discus, placing third, earning All-American status. Other competitors, **Nikki Buck** (1500 meter) and **Fereon Meferia** (800 meter), each had fine performances to complete the 2014 season. The coaching staff is very proud of all of this season's student-athletes and appreciates their hard work



and sacrifice to represent Cuyamaca College. Cuyamaca College Track and Field thanks all the Administration, Faculty, and Staff support they have received this season and looks forward to the upcoming season.

🐾 State Assistant Coach of the Year from Cuyamaca College



Cuyamaca College Track and Field is pleased to announce that Cuyamaca College Pole Vault Coach, **Mr. Lyle Barton**, has been selected as the 2014 Assistant Coach of the Year for Men's Track and Field. The Management Council of the California Community College Cross Country and Track Coaches Association (SCTCA) selects one individual from hundreds of assistant coaches working within the California Community Colleges for this distinction. Coach Barton has led the Cuyamaca College Pole Vaulters for 14 years as a volunteer coach.

During that span, he has had many students earn All-American status, including two from the 2014 season. Coach Barton was also recognized for his collegiality and commitment to event success within competitions by frequently coaching other student-athletes when their institutions were unable to provide qualified personnel. He is a mainstay within the San Diego County track community and is noted for his commitment to teaching pole vault, even providing free coaching through his pole vault club.



🐾 **Counseling Services 2014-2015 Strategic Planning Meeting/Retreat**

Counseling Services held a planning retreat at the San Diego State University (SDSU) Alumni Center on June 10. The theme for the day was “In the Spotlight.” The retreat was facilitated in an inclusive manner with administrators, faculty and classified staff participating. All Counseling Services employees were trained by counseling faculty member **Ms. Donna Hajj** on the DiSC Profile, which is a work-style inventory tool used to improve work productivity, teamwork, and communication. The DiSC Profile assessments were completed compliments of a partnership with Counseling and **Ms. Linda Waring**, former Director of the Workplace Learning Resource Center. A presentation was given by the SDSU Director of Prospective Student Services, and counselors were able to ask questions and get up-to-date information on topics such as admissions changes and impacted majors. The retreat also included a tour of SDSU. Discussions centered on the Student Success and Support Program mandates and work in place for implementation in fall 2014. The retreat ended with a lengthy discussion and table talk about Counseling Services’ strategic goals for 2014-2015 being aligned with goals of the Vice President of Student Services and of the college. The goals were then also aligned with the Governing Board goals.

🐾 **Center for Innovation Activities**

The Center for Innovation within the Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Training serves as the umbrella for many of the contract and grant-funded professional and vocational programs housed at Cuyamaca College. Many are regional programs funded to serve all of San Diego and Imperial Counties. Below is a summary of some of their recent activities:

Sustainable Supply Chain Management Grant:

The grant-funded Sustainable Supply Chain Management program, a 2 year, \$410,000 Industry Driven Regional Collaborative grant funded by the State Chancellor’s office, has come to a conclusion as of June 30. The project provided over 200 unemployed and underemployed students with the skills needed to become a sustainability professional. Students who completed the program were prepared to receive a Certified Associate of Project Management (CAPM) industry credential and a LEED Green Associate credential. In addition to the economic impact that the program graduates will provide to the skilled workforce, the program has established meaningful regional and cross-regional partnerships that have strengthened District programs and expertise that will continue to be leveraged to provide the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community with the quality services, programs, and training that has come to be expected of it.

Sustainable Infrastructure Grant:

Through the grant-funded **Sustainable Infrastructure** project, Cuyamaca College was awarded over \$320,000 to address the need for a skilled and well trained workforce in three demand driven green training initiatives: CALCTP, CALCTP-ATT and EVITP.

The California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program (CALCTP) is a statewide initiative aimed at increasing the use of lighting controls in commercial buildings. CALCTP will educate, train and certify licensed C-10 electrical contractors, state-certified general electricians in the proper programming, testing, installation, commissioning and maintenance of advanced lighting control systems. This is a 50 hour program with 10 hours of lecture and 40 hours of hands on lab.

California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance Test Technician (CALCTP-ATT): Effective July 1, 2014, the California Energy Commission adopted changes to the California building efficiency standards (Title 24, Parts 1 and 6) that require lighting controls and devices to be certified as properly installed and operational, prior to issuance of occupancy permits. The California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program-Acceptance Test (CALCTP-AT) certifies acceptance test employers

and technicians. All acceptance test technicians must be employed by an acceptance test employer that provides support as well as quality control. This course is a 24-hour training program.

The Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) is a 38-hour training program which comprehensively addresses the requirements, regulations, products and strategies which will enable electrical contractors and electricians to master professional customer relations, installation, and maintenance of Electric Vehicle (EV) and Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV) infrastructure. Graduates will gain thorough knowledge and practical application of all aspects of Electric Vehicle infrastructure subjects including the critical areas of customer experience, protection of utility systems, vehicle charging technical applications, and safety. The grant, which began in November 2012 and ended in June 2014, has provided 415 hours of training to over 115 individuals and has awarded 112 industry recognized certificates of completion. Through the course of this project, Cuyamaca College strengthened an existing partnership with San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) and will continue to offer low-cost training in fall 2014 through collaboration with SDG&E.

WIA TITLE II: Adult Literacy Grant:

GCCCD has been awarded a \$540,000 Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title II grant. The Adult Literacy Grant through the California Department of Education will start in early August and will provide a variety of student success services for students enrolled in Basic Skills Math, English and ESL courses at both Cuyamaca and Grossmont Colleges. Services will include embedded tutoring, office hours for part-time faculty teaching basic skills courses, equipment, software, counseling services, class sets of textbooks and professional development for faculty and staff.

AB86 Update: Collaboration at its Best!

The California Community Colleges and the State Department of Education jointly provided two-year planning and implementation grants to regional consortia of community college districts and K-12 school districts for the purpose of developing regional plans to better serve the educational needs of adults in five specific areas:

1. ABE/High School Diploma and GED
2. Citizenship/ESL
3. Programs for Adults with disabilities
4. Short-term CTE non credit
5. Apprentices

There are 72 community college districts and 300 school districts participating in the regional consortia across the state. In March 2014, the Grossmont Cuyamaca Community College District was awarded \$307,205 and formalized years of collaborating with Grossmont Union High School District Adult Education to form the San Diego East Region Adult Education Consortium (SDERAEC). SDERAEC has 32 members of the consortium representing faculty, staff, directors, and administrators from the Grossmont and Cuyamaca Community College District and the GUHSD Adult Education whose job it will be in 2014-15 to inventory current resources, identify gaps, and create a plan to collaboratively serve the educational needs of adult residents in East County. The mission of the SDERAEC is to redesign adult education to better serve the residents of San Diego's East County.

🐾 Summer 2014 College for Kids Update

College for Kids is in full swing at Cuyamaca College. After the first two weeks we have served 158 students in 13 one-week programs. Overall, the college will be offering 45 course sections (42 different courses) with top sellers of Video Game Design and Children's Theatre. With two more weeks of programming, College for Kids hopes to serve close to 400 students in this summer's program.



🐾 College Staff Ready for Emergency



Members of the Cuyamaca College Emergency Operations Center (EOC) participated in an emergency preparedness drill on Tuesday, July 8. San Diego County Sheriff personnel, along with Cuyamaca College and District Services personnel, worked together in EOC teams during the drill designed to test the campus' response in the event of a major earthquake. Coordinated by Sergeant Victor Perry of the San Diego County Sheriff's office, this annual exercise is designed to

demonstrate the readiness of the EOC to effectively respond to major emergencies on campus, and to test emergency communications, tools and equipment. Utilizing the campus' emergency alert system *AlertSanDiego*, a text message, along with a voicemail and an email message, were sent out to all college employees notifying them of the simulated earthquake in the same manner they would be notified in an actual emergency.

🐾 Library Display: Children's Books for Summer Reading!

"Paws" to read to a child. Children's books are located on the second floor of the library.



🐾 A Sad Loss for the College



With a heavy heart, the President informed the college community of the passing of **Ms. Carrie Valdez**, Financial Aid Assistant, Sr., who suffered a stroke and passed away on Wednesday, July 2. Carrie worked at Cuyamaca College beginning in January 2002, always in the Student Services area. She was a highly respected member of our Financial Aid Office staff, a dear friend, and students were always her top priority. Carrie was a valued employee and friend, and she will be missed terribly. A college tribute for Carrie is being planned to honor her memory.

Upcoming Events

A complete list of college activities can be found on our website, www.cuyamaca.edu

Fall Convocation

Wednesday, August 13, 2014, Student Center

College offices will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. so that all employees can participate in the morning convocation activities.

Welcome Week

Activities begin on Monday, August 18.

The **Rancho San Diego Farmer's Market** is held at Cuyamaca College from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each Saturday in the parking lot across from OH. The market offers a wide variety of locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables, organic beef, locally made cheese, locally caught seafood, hot foods and a variety of crafters and other goodies.

