

Coast Board Connection

Highlights from the
Coast Community College District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Board of Trustees
George E. Brown
Mary L. Hornbuckle
Walter G. Howald
Jerry Patterson
Armando Ruiz
Heather M. Larson, Student Trustee

Chancellor
Kenneth D. Yglesias, Ed.D.

May 4, 2005

REPORTS

Board of Trustees

- Board President Walt Howald recently presented at the CCCT conference in San Francisco. At that conference, 40 trustees were honored for 20 years or more of service to community colleges, including Trustee Ruiz. Howald congratulated Nancy Jones on being elected CCC senate president. Howald commented that it was great to attend the ASOCC Transition Ceremony and see the transformation of students as they learn about effective leadership.
- Trustee Jerry Patterson also enjoyed the ASOCC Transition Ceremony and thanked the students for a wonderful event. Patterson reported that he also attended the CCC Honors Night. Finally, Patterson commented that the agenda item regarding retiree liability was pulled from the agenda so that it could be discussed when the entire board was present. Patterson stated that he looks forward to hearing from Kevin Parker and Dean Mancina on the issue at a future board meeting.
- Trustee Armando Ruiz recently attended the Orange County Business Council Lobby Day in Sacramento. Ruiz reported that the trip consisted of lobbying activities aimed at improving transportation, infrastructure, vocational education and economic development throughout the county. Ruiz noted that Orange County's student population is comprised of 51% minorities which is an issue that needs to be addressed by the county. Ruiz congratulated Trustee Howald on his reelection to the California Community College Trustees Board. Ruiz attended the trustee conference in San Francisco along with Trustee Howald and thanked Trustee Howald for his presentation on teamwork among board members and working successfully with CEOs. Ruiz thanked Student Trustee Heather Larson for all of her hard work during the past year. Ruiz attended the ASOCC Transition Ceremony and thanked the faculty, staff and administrators that helped the students during their year of leadership training.
- Student Trustee Heather Larson reported that she was honored to attend the ASOCC transition ceremony. Larson also attended CCC's Honors Night. Larson announced that on May 13 the District-wide Student Council will meet to select the new student trustee. Larson reported that she recently attended Student Lobby Day in Sacramento where students met with legislators to discuss text book costs, student fees and equalization. Larson also attended the CalSAC conference where she participated in a presentation on how to run a successful student lobby day.

Presidents

- Ding-Jo Currie, CCC president, thanked Student Trustee Larson, Trustee Patterson and Trustee Hornbuckle for attending at CCC's Honors Night. Currie stated that this is the busiest time of the year for the college and extended an invitation to Board members to attend the many events planned to celebrate the end of the semester. Currie thanked the board for their participation in events that honor students, faculty and staff.
- Wes Bryan, GWC president, announced that GWC is in the process of hiring 17 new faculty members. Bryan invited board members to attend its Scholarship Convocation event on May 10 and Commencement on May 27. Bryan thanked the students for organizing the Day of the Teacher event and commented that it was very much appreciated by the faculty.
- Bob Dees, OCC president, reported that he recently attended the CCCT conference in San Francisco and congratulated Trustee Ruiz for being honored for 22 years of service to community colleges. Dees said that he learned a great deal about the budget and the responsibilities of the trustees. Dees congratulated Kevin Parker on his reelection as the Academic Senate president.

Student Government Organizations

- Asunta Lourtha, Vice President, Student Advisory Council, reported that SAC students recently attended the National Conference for Student Leadership. Lourtha attended the District Student Council Lobby Day in Sacramento. Lourtha announced that the SAC banquet will be held at the College Center on May 26.
- Taryn Dickinson, president, ASGWC, reported that the ASGWC students have been very busy coordinating events such as Celebrate Diversity Week and Teacher Recognition Day. Dickinson invited board members to attend the Pass the Gavel dinner where the new student council members will be announced. Dickinson also announced that ASGWC will sponsor events for students during final exams including "Cramorama" study session and Java Nights during finals week.
- Carlos Munoz, representative, ASOCC announced that as the semester winds down, the ASOCC will participate in Honors Night. Munoz thanked board members for attending the student council transition ceremony.

Academic Senate Organizations

- Margaret Lovig, CCC senate president, announced the senate election results. Nancy Jones will be the new senate president and Lovig will be the vice president. Over the next

year, the senate will focus on leadership development. Lovig announced that the senate is looking forward to continuing to pursue an Early College High School plan with Newport-Mesa USD and thanked Dr. Ed Decker for all of his hard work in establishing the program. Lovig announced that CCC art teacher Ning Yeh has been named Teacher of the Year and Ken Leighton is Adjunct Educator of the Year.

- Dibakur Barua, GWC senate president, announced the senate election results. Stephanie Drummond was elected president. Barua reported that the senate is currently reviewing the bylaws and, if passed, will revise the bylaws and elect a second vice president and eliminate the secretary position on the senate. The senate recently held a retreat to discuss how the senate can adapt and reflect all of the changes underway on campus.
- Kevin Parker, OCC president, announced that the senate recently held elections. Parker will continue as president, Ann Nguyen was elected vice presidents and David Rodriguez is the new secretary of the academic senate.

Acceptance of Resignations

Collier, James E., OCC, Custodian, Classified Unit, resignation effective 04/01/05.

Appointment of Staff

Benoit, Douglas R., CCC, Dean, Instruction, Career & Technical Education, full time 12 month position for the period 05/16/05 to 06/30/05.

Dees, Robert V., OCC, President, full time 12 month position for the period 04/07/05 to 06/30/05.

Brownell, Lorri M., DIST, Account Clerk Senior, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, from hourly effective 04/25/05.

Bunnell, Dave A., DIST, Duplicating/Mailroom Clerk Senior, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, from hourly effective 04/22/05.

Hong, Nga T., GWC from OCC, Account Clerk Senior, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, promotion effective 04/25/05.

Nibeel, Deborah L., CCC from DIST, Receptionist-50%/Personnel Technician I-50%, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, promotion effective 05/02/05.

Nunez, Lisa V., DIST, Human Resources Records Clerk, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, from hourly effective 04/25/05.

Papastathis, Andonia E., OCC, Secretary Senior, Classified Unit, full time, 12 mo position, new hire effective 04/04/05.

Acceptance of Retirements

Casey, Daniel Joseph, DIST, Executive Manager, Human Resources, retirement effective date 08/01/05.

An East Coast native, Dan headed west in 1970 to secure an education and career. He earned his BA in Business Administration from Adams State College in Alamosa, Colorado, and then continued westward to California in 1976 to begin his 29 year career with Coast Community College District. While fulfilling the duties of a Classified Instructional Associate and Coordinator, Dan completed his Masters in Education at Long Beach State and became a full time faculty member. His first Administrative position was at Coastline in 1984 as the Associate Dean of Area IV. Always looking for a challenge and willing to assume additional responsibilities, Dan became active in the CDMA, serving as the Treasurer for twelve years. Orange Coast welcomed Dan as the Administrative Dean of Instructional Support Services from 1989-1997. During that time and continuing through this year's "Orange Coast Senior Day," you could always find Dan Casey behind the barbeque grilling the hot dogs for the students! Dan's past eight years of dedicated service to the District Office of Human Resources as Administrative Director and Executive Manager will bring closure to his service at the District. Quiet country living beckons from a small community in the Sierra foothills of northern California, where Dan's refurbished 1966 black mustang will continue to receive his "TLC" along with the wildlife filled green acres that await him. While Dan thanks the Board for a fine career opportunity, we thank him for his mentoring, his energy and dedicated service. He will be deeply missed.

Decker, Edward H., CCC, Dean of Instruction, General Education, retirement effective 12/31/05.

Chicago native Edward Decker began his career in community colleges 40 years ago when, upon completing his M.A. in Reproductive Physiology at Western Michigan University in May 1965, Ed was selected as a charter member of the faculty of Oakland Community College in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Oakland pioneered the "audio-tutorial" method of instruction which, by current terminology, featured "hybrid" courses integrating lecture with audio-visual components. Ed later would be appointed founding Dean of Instruction at Oakland's new Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington. In 1972, upon earning a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Michigan State University, Ed was selected as Dean of Academic Affairs at Westchester Community College near White Plains, New York. Always a dedicated proponent of exploring and advancing new instructional methodology, he introduced Westchester faculty to Coast District telecourses and was a co-founder of the Tri-State (Connecticut-New Jersey-New York) Instructional Television Consortium.

Webb, Judith A., DIST, District Accounts Payable/Budget Supervisor, Supervisory/Management, retirement effective 07/01/05.

After over 31 years working at the District, Judy Webb will be retiring on June 30, 2005. Judy has spent her entire career at the District in the Fiscal department. For most of these years, Judy has held the position of Supervisor in Budget/Accounts Payable. She is well known for her unending dedication to her work and high level of ethics in everything she does. She has taken pride in providing accurate information to the District and the colleges over the years. It was not uncommon to see her car in the parking lot late at night and over the weekends in order to meet a deadline and do a thorough job.

Judy has 'always felt proud and fortunate to have a job with an educational institution' and feels 'education is one of the most valuable national gross products any nation can produce.'

Judy has been bitten by the travel bug and plans to spend some time abroad. She also looks forward to having more time to spend with her children and grandchildren. Her history of this institution will be greatly missed in her retirement. Her friends and coworkers wish her all the best.

MEETING CALENDAR

May 18, 2005	Regular Meeting
June 15, 2005	Regular Meeting
July 20, 2005	Regular Meeting
August 17, 2005	Regular Meeting