Governance Institute for Student Success

Board President Lorraine Prinsky reported on the Board’s attendance at the Governance Institute for Student Success (GISS). The purpose of the meeting was to study data from Coast Colleges’ three campuses and identify what could be done at the Board level to support student success. She noted that the Board truly appreciates all of the efforts put forth by faculty and staff to achieve student success and increase completion rates, understanding that this is within the faculty purview. To show its commitment to student success, the Board will strive to provide a supportive climate for our faculty and staff who work hard every day on the front lines with our students.

Beginning November 20, an Agenda item focusing on Student Success will be included at each Board meeting. The Chancellor will work with Academic Senate leaders to formulate definitions, directives and additional data to present to the Board, which will advocate the theme of, "How does this affect student success and how do we know it?" Previously, boards in general focused only on budget, buildings, labor negotiations, and bonds. Now, student success will become an additional focal point for our Board in order to help Coast approach all objectives from this new perspective.

In the spring, the Chancellor will convene a gathering of faculty and other leaders in the District to engage all constituency groups and provide an opportunity to hear ideas, recommendations and identify the next steps. The Board asked the Academic Senate Presidents to discuss this report with their constituents and inform them that the Board is looking to them to help lead Coast in this endeavor. Through collaborative efforts, we will revisit Vision 2020 to determine if a mid-course correction is needed to reflect our renewed commitment to student success. The Board understands that this will be a long-term commitment and a journey that we will all take together.

Retirements

The Board honored the following Coast Colleges employees with a resolution celebrating their career at Coast.

Congratulations and best wishes to:

- Deborah Desmond, CCC, Instructor, retirement effective August 9, 2013
- Dianne Earick, OCC, Instructor, ESL, retirement effective July 1, 2013
- Jerrie Samples, OCC, Child Care Center Assistant, retirement effective June 14, 2013
- April Stilson, OCC, Child Development Specialist, retirement effective June 13, 2013
Board of Trustees

- **Trustee Dave Grant** – Trustee Grant complimented OCC on the Veterans’ Day event noting that it was nicely done and a great way to honor those that have served in the military. Trustee Grant noted that Trustee Prinsky joined him at a meeting to discuss the OCC planetarium projects and Astronomy students brought a very large telescope and made a presentation about the Astronomy program.

- **Trustee Mary Hornbuckle** – Trustee Hornbuckle acknowledged that GISS was a good opportunity for all of the Board Members to work together. She also noted that the Student Success Scorecard will play a big role in moving forward with student success initiatives. Trustee Hornbuckle noted that the Board was appalled at the numbers that Coast CCD posted on the scorecard and we need to focus on improving those student success numbers. Trustee Hornbuckle was pleased to attend OCC Veterans’ Day presentation noting that it was great to see our oldest Veterans and our student Veterans together. Trustee Hornbuckle congratulated Wes Bryan on his achievement of a pillar at Golden West College.

- **Trustee Jim Moreno** – Trustee Moreno attended the Orange County Hispanic Education Endowment Fund (HEEUF) awards dinner in Anaheim. Trustee Moreno commented that it was great to witness student success in action and to see students that had been at our colleges and received these scholarships who are now doctors and MBAs. Trustee Moreno also attended GWC Courtyard of Honor and congratulated President Bryan on a successful event. Trustee Moreno also spoke about the GISS seminar and recognized that the board spent time together working on how to lead the way toward student success.

- **Trustee Jerry Patterson** – Trustee Patterson noted that student success was very important and the GISS seminar was a very worthwhile event. Trustee Patterson noted that the Board will be making changes in leading the efforts of improving student success by talking with faculty. Trustee Patterson stated that it was important to start by touching base with our students and learning about their needs and then developing a plan and get everyone – all students – involved in their success and to develop methods to track them for six years to really understand their pathways.

- **Student Trustee Tanner Kelly** – Student Trustee Kelly announced that the District Student Council voted to create a Sustainability Committee. Student Trustee Kelly congratulated OCC Student Rachael Gajardo on writing an article about the new committee and having it published in the OC Register.

Chancellor

- **Chancellor Andrew Jones** – Chancellor Jones reported on the Governance Institute on Student Success (GISS). Chancellor Jones noted that he and the Board Members came together to learn about student success policy initiatives. GISS provided a working definition of student success and a list of benchmarks. The definition is something that we, and all in higher education, have struggled with and this new information will provide CCCD with a great road map to move forward toward sustained student success.

Presidents

- **CCC – Vice President Vince Rodriguez** – Coastline recently held a retirement event for all CCC retirees from the last year to wish them well and celebrate their contributions to the college. CCC’s Learning First pilot is underway and is a very exciting program that will allow students a guaranteed pathway to a bachelor’s degree. The pilot program will feature the University of Illinois, Springfield as a partner institution. Rodriguez announced that CCC has adopted a theme of going back to their roots of innovation and is working with the Academic Senate to research and understand ways to support faculty with technology and professional development programs.

- **GWC – President Wes Bryan** – On October 18, GWC participated in the Great Shake Out exercise. Bryan reported that the college held the drill in the evening to test the readiness of the campus during non-typical working hours and it was very informative. GWC is forming a new committee called “Recruitment to Completion” to ensure a comprehensive overview of programs and services related to specific grants. President Bryan thanked the Board Members that attended the GWC Foundation Courtyard of Honor ceremony.

- **OCC – Vice President Rich Pagel** – OCC held the 14h Annual Science Night on October 25. The event hosted hundreds of children and was a great success. On October 26, OCC hosted a community recycling event for electronic recyclables (e-waste). Pagel thanked the planning team and students for the OCC Veteran’s Day tribute which was moving and a great showcase for our local Veterans. Pagel introduced Raya Lopez, a Web/Multimedia Programmer at OCC who gave a brief presentation on the OCC portal and showcased the use of the portal for planning and accreditation purposes.
Academic Senate Presidents

- CCC – Dr. Pedro Gutierrez – Gutierrez recently visited the Maricopa CCD to learn about the Center for Teaching and Learning. He noted that was great to see different models for teaching and learning and how they were implemented with help from faculty. Recently, the Academic Senate finished the prioritization process and will now begin the rankings of the faculty hiring requests.

- GWC – Greg Carr – Carr attended the Orange County Teacher of the Year banquet at Disneyland Hotel. He stated that it was a wonderful event honoring teachers. Carr thanked the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor Dunn on attending a meeting and having a discussion on faculty hiring. It was a robust discussion.

Student Government Organizations

- ASGWC – Mitchell Jimenez – Jimenez announced that the ASGWC has approved the purchase of an on-campus water station that will increase sustainability and provide the ability to easily reuse water bottles. Members of the ASGWC recently attended a student leadership conference and the regional General Assembly. ASGWC will be hosting a town hall meeting with Assemblyman Allan Mansoor on November 13 at 1:00pm at GWC. Jimenez also announced that the GWC Rustlers won the Battle of the Bell football game, defeating OCC.

- ASOCC – Rachel Gajardo – Gajardo reported that the ASOCC has been very busy organizing events for students and attending leadership conferences. ASOCC assisted with the Costa Mesa 60th Anniversary by doing presentations on the history of Costa Mesa at local schools. Gajardo thanked the Board of Trustees for attending the Veterans’ Day celebration. The ASOCC will be coordinating many events this semester, including an Angel Tree to benefit local families in need and will host a town hall on November 19 to educate the students on Higher One. Gajardo noted that while OCC lost the Battle of the Bell in football, they did beat GWC in a recent soccer game.

Union Organizations

- CFCE – Katherine Reedy, Executive Director – Thanks the Board and the District for their willingness to accept feedback regarding the board policies under review. Reedy reminded the Board that throughout the policy review, the District must be aware of bargainable items in updated policies and procedures. Reedy also noted that CFCE has requested to work through issues and that binding arbitration is a way to work together to resolve issues rather than move forward with costly lawsuits. She also stated that the CFCE remains open to working through issues with the District.

- CFE – Dean Mancina, President – Mancina reminded everyone about the Orange County Veterans’ Day event that will be held at the OC Fairgrounds from 10:00am – 4:00pm on Monday, November 11. The event will feature a county-wide celebration of Veterans and is being co-sponsored by the CFE. Mancina introduced OCC instructor Olga Perez Cox as the Faculty Spotlight. Perez Cox talked about her love of teaching for the Psychology Department.

Board Meetings

The Board of Trustees meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in the Board Room located at 1370 Adams Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 (except holidays). Meetings are open to the public and agendas are posted online at www.cccd.edu and are available by calling (714) 438-4848. The next meeting is scheduled to take place:

November 20, 2013 @ 6:00pm