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## College President's Report to the Governing Board August 16, 2011

### **ASGCC Student Government Leadership Retreat**

On July 14, student government leaders partnered with the Barstow Community College student government in a leadership retreat held at Cuyamaca College that included presentations by Arleen Satele, Ryan Shumaker, Amaliya Blyumin, and Lauren Weiner. Throughout the day, students were able to sharpen their leadership skills thanks to sessions that highlighted the use of proper parliamentary procedures, the identification of leadership styles, understanding shared governance, and maintaining grades while being involved in co-curricular opportunities. Students also had an opportunity to identify some strategies to incorporate best practices into action plans.



### **CIS 267 – 2011 Summer Intern Program**

The CIS Department offered an unpaid two unit Work Experience class to assist with the planned computer lab technology upgrade over the Summer 2011 session. In order to be awarded two units of College credit, the interns were required to work for 120 hours and complete their training program. The interns' training program was designed to provide them with practical application of their class work in hardware and software functionality, learning best practices in computer maintenance and workplace safety issues. The interns, through hands-on activities and training, assembled and configured computers, installed operating systems and software, and troubleshoot hardware and software problems in a traditional classroom setting.

The eight interns were formed into two teams with each team under the supervision of a Cuyamaca College technical support technician, Diane Kew and Cyndy Bourget. The interns completed the following tasks:

1. Removed and replaced 244 computers in eight computer labs (CIS/CADD/BOT).
2. Moved 200+ computers removed from the computer labs to new locations to replace older Pentium 4 computers in other classrooms/labs/office throughout the campus.
3. Electronically cleaned all old Pentium 4 computers memory and hard drives and packaged them for shipment to the District warehouse as surplus equipment.
4. Installed new printers in the BOT lab.
5. Installed new routers/switches and re-cabled the Cisco networking lab.

In addition, one intern was sent to the District for a helpdesk assignment. This intern completed his hours and was hired as a student hourly in so that he could continue filling the help desk function at the District for an additional year. Working under Brian Nath, the intern answered calls for the district helpdesk, provided first-level support and problem resolution of all staff, faculty and administration personnel with hardware, software and application problems, using beginner to advanced troubleshooting skills, in addition to providing excellent customer service.

### 🐾 **First-Year Experience Program**

Cuyamaca College's inaugural First-Year Experience program (FYE) is a comprehensive and intentional approach to the first year of college, whose purpose is to ensure that students learn and persist through their first year. The FYE program has evolved from our previous Cuyamaca Link early matriculation program. Specifically, FYE not only facilitates mandatory participation in matriculation services, but also employs other effective practices to facilitate first-year success including: full-time enrollment in math, English, and Counseling (previously called "Personal Development") courses, counseling support, and mentoring. Because students move through their first-year as a cohort, this will increase peer-to-peer interactions allowing for more engagement to occur. This inaugural cohort will comprise of 168 first year students beginning with Fall 2011.

### 🐾 **College Staff Ready for Emergency**

Members of the Cuyamaca College Emergency Operations Center (EOC) participated in an emergency preparedness drill on Thursday, July 28th at Cuyamaca College's One-Stop Center. Cuyamaca and District personnel worked together in EOC teams during the drill designed to test the campus' response to a major earthquake. Coordinated by Director of Public Safety, Joel Javines, 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*, texts were sent out to all EOC team leaders notifying them of the simulated earthquake in the same manner they would be notified in an actual emergency.



### 🐾 **Library Display**



From August 22 through the month of September, the library display will focus on Constitution Week and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. Constitution Week this year is September 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>. The display will contain items and books related to the September 17, 1787 signing of the Constitution of the United States of America.

This year also marks the 10th anniversary for 9-11. The library display will feature materials that showcase the heroism of the New York City rescue workers and how we united as a nation to rebuild America. *"Some refused even to talk about themselves, insisting on recounting the heroism they witnessed."* **America's Heroes; Inspiring Stories of Courage, Sacrifice and Patriotism** by Peter L. Bannon.



🐾 **Cuyamaca College to Host Accreditation Self Evaluation Workshop**



On Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, accreditation team members from Cuyamaca College, Grossmont College, Copper Mountain College, and the Salvation Army College of Officer Training at Crestmont will meet together at Cuyamaca College to receive training as they begin to undertake their self-evaluation process leading to the Self Evaluation Report for Accreditation. Leaders from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges will coordinate and lead this all-day workshop.

🐾 **Administrative Services Holds Program Review Retreat**

Candy bars and brainstorming abounded when members of the Administrative Services departments met on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss and plan for the Administrative Services Program Review. In the informative workshop entitled, "Getting to Know Institutional Planning," guest speaker, Dr. Kathryn Nette gave a presentation describing the new structure for shared governance. Breaking into teams, department staff worked to draft department and unit goals for Fiscal Year 2012-2013. Information regarding the upcoming Administrative Services Program Review Committee was also provided.

🐾 **Classified Staff Member to Serve on Statewide Board**



Debi Miller, assistant to Dr. Robin Steinback in the Office of Instruction, was recently appointed for a two year term as an Area Representative for the Southeast 1 Region of California Community College Classified Senate (4CS). One of her main responsibilities will be to coordinate communication of 4CS matters to the Southeast 1 Region, which includes: Cuyamaca, Grossmont, GCCCD, Imperial Valley, MiraCosta, Palo Verde, Palomar, SDCCD, San Diego City, San Diego Mesa, San Diego Miramar and Southwestern. She continues to offer her expertise and support to the GCCCD Classified Senate as the current secretary.

🐾 **Upcoming Events**

**Fall Convocation 2011 – Wednesday, August 17, 2011**

The theme for this semester's Convocation is "It's Getting Better All the Time." Convocation will begin with lunch at 12:00 p.m. in the Student Center, with the official program beginning at 1:30 p.m.

**Honor Court Recognition and Reception – Wednesday, August 17, 2011**

Immediately following Convocation there will be an Honor Court recognition ceremony honoring faculty who have been granted emeritus status. A reception will follow, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Water Conservation Garden. Hors D'oeuvres, wine and beer will be served.

**Child Development Center Fall Festival – Sunday, August 28, 2011**

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Child Development Center.

**College Hour – "Let's Get the Coyote Spirit!" – Monday, September 12, 2011**

10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on the Grand Lawn

