

President's Report to the Governing Board August 16, 2005

1. ENROLLMENT

The following is an analysis of the fall 2005 enrollment compared with fall 2004 enrollment as of August 16.

	Fall 2005	Fall 2004	Count Variance	% Variance
Headcount	6,184	6,390	-206	-3.2%
Continuing	3,937	4,026	-89	-2.2%
Units	47,223	47,250	-27	0.0%

2. GM ASEP Graduation Ceremony

On August 2nd, over 175 friends and family members celebrated the graduation of the 2005 GM ASEP class. Twenty-one students were honored for having completed the 52.5-unit degree program. Each of the graduates is employed by local GM dealerships.

3. CUYAMACA COLLEGE MENTORS AT WORK!

Congratulations to Dr. Cristina Chiriboga and Lindy Brazil for their efforts and leadership in organizing an orientation for new faculty. On August 12th, Cuyamaca College's five new faculty members were warmly welcomed by Dr. Suarez, Dr. Perri, Jan Ford and their faculty and administrative colleagues while being guided through a day-long program to help acquaint them with Cuyamaca College.

Faculty were oriented to Cuyamaca College's successful faculty mentoring program and teamed up with their own faculty mentor. Each new faculty member had the opportunity to learn valuable information about the demographics of Cuyamaca College as presented by Darlene Cole of the District's Office of Institutional Research. In addition, faculty were able to hear strategies for effective teaching through a panel discussion with their mentors (Lindy Brazil, Tim Pagaard, Steven Weinert, and Jackie Hider). Members of the President's Cabinet and Administrative Council also provided valuable information and divisional overviews.

4. CUYAMACA HOSTS MATH INSTRUCTOR COURSE

On August 10-12, Twenty-four high school and community college mathematics instructors attended a three-day course entitled "Developmental Algebra Using a Function Approach" at Cuyamaca College. The workshop, co-sponsored with Grossmont College and Texas Instruments, is part of a Teachers Teaching with Technology (T³) series and was taught by Joe Fiedler from Cal State Bakersfield. Instructors, who could earn Math Graduate Credits, came from as far away as Kentucky and included many of our own (Cuyamaca and Grossmont) full- and part-time faculty as well as faculty from Mt. Miguel and Granite Hills High Schools. Eric Preibisius, Math Department Chair noted, "We are trying to find a new and successful approach to improve the low success rates in elementary algebra."

5. Instructional Council Retreat A Success!!!

Kudos to Dr. Cristina Chiriboga for her efforts in organizing an Instructional Council retreat at Mission Trails Regional Park for all department chairpersons, program coordinators and deans. This retreat, attended, as well, by the President's Cabinet, Academic Senate Officers, and Curriculum Co-Chair provides an opportunity for those in attendance to receive an update by the President on college planning and upcoming activities.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES LUAU STYLE!

Kudos to Dean Arleen Satele and Administrative Services, for their second annual potluck in June - luau style. Customer Service Academy provided an interactive presentation on "Customer Appreciation." Blue ribbon awards were given to staff members who received recognition from their campus customers for a job well done. Business Services' staff surprised Dean Satele with blue ribbon award as well. The division staff worked together to create an Admin Services Brochure/Annual Report with Mission Statement.

7. UPCOMING EVENTS - PLEASE JOIN US!

- Fall 2005 Staff Development Breakfast and Convocation Wednesday, August 17th, 8:00 a.m., Gym
- Health Fair/Blood Drive Tuesday, September 27th, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., LRC Lawn