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MESSAGE FROM INTERIM CEO

Budget Update

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office recently hosted the annual Budget Workshop to review the 2012-13 state budget. As with all California K-12's and community colleges, the Compton Community College District's 2012-13 state budget allocation is in flux until the results of the Governor's tax initiative on the November ballot are known.

The 2012-2013 fiscal year brings major challenges to the Compton Community College District. This is impacting the level of academic and student support services the El Camino College Compton Center is able to provide to students.

Even if the Governor's tax initiative receives voter approval in November, community college funding for 2012-13 is uncertain for January through June 2013. This is because the initiative language states that community colleges will receive 11% of the funds generated by the increased revenues resulting in the passage of the Governor's tax initiative. However, since that amount is an estimate at this time, the funds for community colleges is also an approximation.

With passage of the tax initiative, El Camino College Compton Center will be funded for 5,993 Full Time Equivalent Students (FTES) for 2012-13. The 5,993 FTES target will fund 1,330 course sections.

If the Governor's tax initiative does not pass, community colleges will receive a 7.3% workload reduction. This means the Compton District will receive \$1.9 million less in state funds than we had last fiscal year.

Compton Center's FTES will significantly decrease if the tax initiative does not pass. The funded FTES amount without passage of the Governor's tax initiative will be 5,560, a 7% reduction from the 2011-12 funded FTES amount.

The 2011-2012 Compton Community College District budget maintains a reserve at the minimum 5% level as advised by the state.

New Hires

Please join me in congratulating two new hires, pending Board approval at the August 21 board meeting. Dr. Ricky Shabazz has been selected as Dean of Student Services; and Mr. Benjamin Torres as the Director of Accounting. Both begin their new positions this fall – Mr. Benjamin on August 28 and Dr. Shabazz on September 1.

Community Outreach

Throughout the summer months, I have continued to represent the CCCD throughout the communities we serve – building, maintaining and re-establishing connections. In July and August, I

hosted two CEO Community Roundtable discussions in Lynwood. The CEO Roundtables cover a number of topics including, the partnership with the El Camino Community College District, the process to accreditation, Fiscal Crisis Management Assistance Team (FCMAT), newly adopted trustee area boundaries, facilities master plan, and community participation in governance opportunities. Each roundtable presentation is followed by a question and answer session.

The next CEO Roundtable is scheduled for August 30 at the Carson Community Center.

Parking and road Closures

As we continue work to improve the District grounds and facilities, there will be some inconveniences along the way. Please note the following road and parking lot closures in effect as part of the infrastructure project.

The west campus road from the Physical Plant to the Child Development Center is closed for construction from July 20, 2012 until Nov. 31, 2012. Parking near the front entrance to the Child Development Center will remain open during construction. Map 1-E outlines the closure area. Parking Lot A and the western half of the Artesia Blvd. entrance road (from Artesia Blvd. to the Math/Science Building) is closed Friday, August 3, 2012 through January 31, 2013. The entrance from Artesia Blvd. into and out of campus is accessible; however the entry road is reduced to one lane in each direction (on the eastern side of the road divider). Alternate parking is available in Lot F near the Greenleaf Ave. entrance. Map 1-C outlines the closure area, as well as alternate parking options.

Beginning Saturday, August 25, 2012, alternate parking will be available on the football/soccer practice field (near the Stadium), as well as in Lot F near the Greenleaf Blvd. entrances at the north end of ECC Compton Center.

We ask that you use the Greenleaf Avenue entrances during construction to help minimize traffic delays, especially once the fall semester is underway. Everyone is encouraged to consider carpooling and/or using public transportation during these construction periods. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we work to improve the campus.

Flex Day

I look forward to seeing everyone at the El Camino College Flex Day on Thursday, August 23 and at Compton on Friday, August 24.