

MESSAGE FROM INTERIM CEO DR. KEITH CURRY

October has been a productive month, and November is looking like it will be just as fruitful. In keeping with one of my goals for the District - to make communication with students, employees and the community a priority - I have met with several groups both at the District as well as in the communities we serve.

As most of you are aware, last week the Accreditation Steering Committee held a forum on the accreditation eligibility process. The document provided at that forum is available on the <u>ECC Compton Center web page</u>. This information will also be provided to elected officials and other interested parties throughout the Compton Community College District (CCCD).

Working with Special Trustee Henry, we have embarked upon a comprehensive "Community Engagement" process. First off, we are providing the Five Year Report to individuals and groups throughout the community. This document has been well-received by individuals and groups across the CCCD. If you have not seen it, you will find it <u>here</u>.

I have met with community leaders from Carson and Compton, and have meetings scheduled with representatives from Lynwood, Paramount and other areas included in the District boundaries. Additionally, I will be meeting with all local, state and federal elected officials representing the areas included within the CCCD. My message is straightforward – the partnership is a success, students are getting a quality education via the ECC Compton Center; we have begun a Community Engagement plan to provide information and updates to everyone interested regarding the status of the CCCD; we will be publishing a Measure CC Bond Update this month for distribution; and we will provide a summary of the status of the accreditation eligibility process for the ECC Compton Center.

Special Trustee Henry is reconstituting the Special Trustee Advisory Committee. Information about the committee and application process may be found <u>here</u>. We are also re-establishing the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee – information may be found <u>here</u>; and establishing a Redistricting Committee to assist us as the plan for redistricting the Trustee Areas moves forward. A Public Hearing on the CCCD redistricting proposal will be held on November 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Redistricting information is available <u>here</u>.

At the October Board of Trustees meeting, Special Trustee Henry invited the leaders of the ECC Compton Center ASB to sit at the board dais and participate in discussion and recommendations relative to the board agenda. In future months, other groups, both internal and external, will be invited to participate in the CCCD governance process. The elected board members will continue to participate at the dais on the alternate months.

On Tuesday, November 29 at 1:00 p.m. I will hold a meeting for all CCCD employees. This will be an opportunity to brief you on additional activities and to answer any questions you may have regarding the CCCD.

Last, but certainly not least, on Friday, December 9, I will host a "Staff Appreciation Pancake Breakfast". Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Student Lounge Patio. Please plan to come by and watch me flip a few flap jacks!

As always, my Open Door is on Tuesdays from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., unless otherwise noticed. Please feel free to meet with me if you have any questions, concerns or stories of success to share.

Let us all continue to be inspired in our daily work by the words – "every student is a success story".