

Thursday, June 23, 2011



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Special Trustee and Board of Trustees
Compton Community College District

Dear Special Trustee and Members of the Board:

Summer has arrived! On Monday, June 20, 2011, El Camino College Compton Center's six and eight-week summer sessions began.

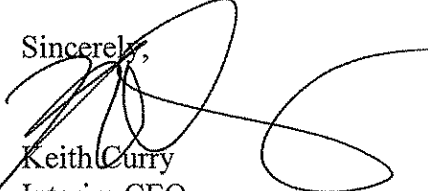
This past month has been very busy with student activities and events celebrating student achievements. I trust you were as proud and joyful as the students and their families at each student activity and at every event. On June 9, 2011, we celebrated the fifth El Camino College Compton Center Commencement Ceremony. This year El Camino College awarded 222 associate degrees and 53 certificates at the Compton Center. This is a great accomplishment compared to 2010-2011, where the El Camino College awarded 168 associate degrees and 74 certificates at the Compton Center.

Our next scheduled Board meeting is Tuesday, June 28, 2011. Closed session will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. Open session will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. We have one presentation planned for the June meeting. Ms. Barbara Perez will provide an update on Student Learning Outcomes.

The June 28, 2011, Board Agenda is highlighted by the 2011-2012 Tentative Budget. The Tentative Budget is available online at: http://district.compton.edu/district_budget/index.asp. During the Board meeting, I will provide some brief comments regarding the 2011-2012 Tentative Budget.

The following items are enclosed for your perusal:

1. Message from the Interim CEO, dated June 2, 2011;
2. Message from Interim CEO dated May 11, 2011;
3. Memo from Fred Sturner to me, dated June 23, 2011, regarding the Infrastructure Project;
4. Memo from Fred Sturner to me, dated June 23, 2011, regarding the MIS renovation project;
5. Memo from Danny Villanueva to me, regarding the 2011-2012 Tentative Budget;
6. Web links to News Articles and copies of news releases regarding Compton Community College District and Center since the May 10, 2011 Board Meeting;

Sincerely,

Keith Curry
Interim CEO

Keith Curry, EdD
Interim Chief Executive Officer

Genethia Hudley-Hayes, PhD
Special Trustee



MESSAGE FROM INTERIM CEO

DR. KEITH CURRY

The Governor recently released the May Revision to the January state budget for fiscal year 2011-2012. Although it appears there is a slight increase in state revenues, the impact to community college budget reductions is still quite significant.

The Governor's May Revision has changed the three previously proposed budget scenarios. The all-cuts budget, or Option three has essentially been removed. Budget Option 2, slightly reduces the percentage of the budget cut for the Compton Community College District. With these new reduction numbers the CCCD Budget Planning Proposal has been revised as noted on page two.

In keeping with our Guiding Principles for Planning and Budgeting, we will be reducing fewer course sections for 2011-2012. Our funded FTES goal is now 6,000; and we will be reducing our course offerings by 159. At this time we are planning to offer 251 sections for summer; 610 each for fall and spring; and 75 for winter intersession.

The Tentative Budget for 2011-2012 will be presented to the Board of Trustees at the June 28 meeting.

As noted in the previous Interim CEO Message, we are offering a resume writing and preparing for job interviews workshop for all employees on Tuesday, June 14 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in the CCCD board room. Please contact LaTanya Elliott at ext. 2144 for additional information.

Finally, please join students and colleagues for the ECC Compton Center commencement ceremony on Thursday, June 9, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. in the Tartar Quad.

Thank you all for the work you do to support our students and for your assistance in preparing them for a successful future.

Interim CEO weekly Open Door Policy is every Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in my office. Please feel free to meet with me if you have any questions, concerns or stories of success to share.

Compton Community College District Guiding Principles for Planning & Budgeting

The following principles will guide the Compton Community College District's 2011-2012 Budget Planning Process:

1. Student learning and student success are key to every recommendation and decision.
2. As we will not be able to offer the same number of programs and class sections, nor the same level of student support services, reductions will be achieved by assessing all programs and services for their viability, relevance, cost effectiveness and ability to meet community needs.
3. Remaining programs and student support services will be of high quality and appropriately supported.
4. All efforts will be made to create and support revenue generating opportunities.
5. We are creating a dynamic, flexible organization that can easily adapt as future changes to our state's economy unfold.

Budget Reductions (Fund 01)	\$2.86 million 6,000 FTES
Section Reductions (@ 3.95 FTES per)	159
Section Reductions @\$3,500 each	0.556
Reduce Manager/Supervisor Positions	0.100
Freeze Manager Position	0.056
Freeze Faculty Positions @\$50,000(net)	0.300
Freeze Classified Positions @\$55,000 (net)	0.385
Reduce Classified Positions @ \$55,000 (net)	0.495
Reduce Hourly Classified/Casual/Student Worker	0.250
Reduce Other Services and Expenses	0.265
Reduce Contract Services	0.150
Reduce Travel & Conferences	0.050
Reduce Supplies & Materials	0.010
Equipment	0.030
SUB-TOTAL	2.647
NEGOTIATION RELATED	0.070
SUB-TOTAL	0.070
General Fund Reserve Reduction	0.145
SUB-TOTAL	0.145
TOTAL	2.862

Notes: to PBC May 31, to Management Group June 6, to Consultative Council June 20, to Board June 28

**Please submit your Questions or Comments regarding the Compton Community College District Budget to
http://district.compton.edu/district_budget/index.asp**



MESSAGE FROM INTERIM CEO

This week the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees agenda included a resolution regarding the layoff of classified personnel. The decision to bring this resolution to the Board was not made lightly, nor was it an easy one. Unfortunately, the significant budget cuts imposed on the California community colleges by the state has left many community college districts in a very bad position, forcing painful decisions to be made as we struggle to make the necessary reductions to remain fiscally solvent.

This is a stressful and difficult time for all of us as we move through the process of enacting a workforce reduction, freezing new hires, providing fewer class options for our students, and allocating less money to student support programs and services. In developing the process for budget reductions, our first priority has been to focus on making the reductions in the programs and services that have the least impact on students.

The process utilized in planning for the reduction in workforce is outlined as follows. Managers were requested to review the primary student-oriented functions of their department, and to provide their recommendations for staff reductions that would have the least direct impact on students. Managers forwarded their recommendations to their respective dean. Each dean then prioritized their proposed staff reductions for their department/division. The deans then forwarded the prioritized staff reduction proposal to his/her immediate supervisor, who then reviewed the proposal – again looking for the areas with the least direct impact on students – and forwarded his/her prioritized staff reduction proposal to the interim CEO. The CCD senior management team then reviewed the prioritized list from each area, and developed the prioritized list included in the resolution for the Board of Trustees.

We are awaiting the Governor's May revision of the state budget which will be available on Monday, May 16, 2011; however, in order to provide the required 45 day notice of layoff, the resolution for the reduction in workforce had to be presented to the Board at the May 10, 2011 meeting.

During the next several weeks, Compton Community College District will be providing a series of workshops for all employees to assist in coping during these stressful times. Information regarding these workshops will be available next week.

Please be reminded that my weekly Open Door Policy is every Tuesday from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in my office. Please feel free to meet with me if you have any questions or concerns about any topic.

Thank each and every one of you for your support of our students and each other as we weather these very challenging times

MEMORANDUM

TO: KEITH CURRY, INTERIM CEO
FROM: FRED STURNER, DIRECTOR FACILITIES PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION
SUBJECT: UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PHASE 1 STATUS UPDATE
DATE: 6/23/2011
CC: DANNY VILLANUEVA, JO ANN HIGDON

Utility Infrastructure Phase 1 - In March of 2011 we published a request for A-licensed contractors to submit prequalification packages for this project. As a result of an un-calendared classified holiday, we have had to extend the deadline for submission of prequalification packages to May 20th, 2011. The contract for construction of this project will be on the August 2011 Compton Community College District Board of Trustees agenda. Award of the contract is contingent on California State Department of Finance approval, which usually takes 14 days from their receipt of the board action. Construction mobilization should begin in August and continue through September which will include scheduling and impact meetings with campus stakeholders, the design team, the management team and the contractor. The project should be complete in January of 2013.

On June 23, 2011 we received approval of the **Utility Infrastructure Phase 2** working drawings and authorization to proceed to bid on this contract. We anticipate that phase 2 will track schedule wise approximately 3 months after Phase 1.

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TO: KEITH CURRY, INTERIM CEO
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SUBJECT: MIS PROJECT STATUS UPDATE
DATE: 6/23/2011
CC: DANNY VILLANUEVA, JO ANN HIGDON

Server room and MIS Building Enhancements – overall the project is 50% complete. The print shop operation has been relocated and is operational; demolition on the new server area is complete and build back is starting; the chiller, boiler, air handlers and UPS array are in the procurement process with submittals for this equipment under review by our design consultants. We anticipate issuing POs shortly after July 1, 2011. All applicable contracts have been executed and been submitted, or are being submitted, to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

Finalizing the last of the details relative to both the configuration of the new server equipment and recalculating HVAC for the resulting changes heat loads has caused the project schedule to slide somewhat. The server array cutover originally scheduled for August 20, 2011 - August 25, 2011, is now scheduled for the weekend of November 22, 2011 – November 26, 2011 and December 22, 2011 – December 26.

The project budget for the original scope has not changed as of this date. We are compiling a report of recommendations for building and equipment improvements and/or replacements that will become necessary over the next three years. We expect to submit this report for your review within the next 45 days.



OFFICE OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Interim Chief Executive Officer

From: Daniel Villanueva, Chief Business Officer

Date: June 23, 2011

Subject: 2011-12 Tentative Budget

At the June 28, 2011 Board meeting, the District will present the Tentative 2011-12 Budget for review, discussion, and adoption. The budget process began in January 2011 with the release of the Governor's proposed budget. The 2011-12 tentative budget reflects the challenges the District faces as the State of California continues a period of slow economic recovery. The District will lose a minimum of approximately 400 FTES in funding for fiscal year 2011-12. It is possible that this reduction could increase depending on the final outcome of the State's budget process.

The tentative budget incorporates the lay-offs approved at the May Board meeting, reductions in various budget categories, and reflects increases in operating costs.

The tentative budget has been the topic of much discussion over the past few months and has been reviewed by the Planning and Budget Committee (PBC) since March 2011. The PBC differs on expenditures and would prefer the District not have any reduction in force with the alternative being reduction in funding in other areas. At the June 23, 2011 PBC meeting the Committee recommended approval of tentative budget with the following changes: that the District "hold off" on the lay-offs which are to become effective July 1, 2011 until the State adopts its budget and the District adopts its final budget and determines that the lay-offs are required, and that object codes "2000" and "5000" be adjusted per the recommendations submitted by Dr. Arthur Flemming. (Please see attached detail for the recommended adjustments).

As the State budget process becomes clearer, the tentative budget will reflect accordingly. We anticipate having the final budget ready for approval at the September 2011 Board meeting pending passage of the State budget.

Tentative Budget: An Alternative Allocation

The alternative seeks to reduce expenditures in the 5000 account, as required by every one of the Budget Planning Proposals, and to remove Full-Time reductions in the 2000 and related 3000 accounts, as called for in Option 1 of the original Budget Planning Proposal. The latter proceeds on the assumption that the layoffs approved were planned only for funding Option 2, and that the Tentative Budget funding reduction falls \$2 million below that estimated for Option 2 from \$3.8 million to \$1.8 million). The alternative neither adds to nor subtracts from Total Expenditures in the Tentative Budget draft. It presumes that the personnel costs (\$595,000 in salary plus benefits) are factored in a 3-to-1 salary to benefit ratio. Adjustments are made only for the 2011-12 Budget year.

2100	<i>Noninstructional Salaries Regular</i>	5,045,300.24
	<i>TOTAL CLASSIFIED SALARIES</i>	6,194,790.24
3200	<i>Public Employees Retirement System (est.)</i>	756,123.00
3400	<i>Health and Welfare</i>	1,899,500.00
	<i>TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</i>	5,559,528.77

(Net increase for 2000-3000 accounts - \$595,000)

5100	<i>Contract for Personal Services (1)</i>	2,229,937.00
5600	<i>Contracts, Rents, Repairs (2)</i>	546,282.00
5700	<i>Legal, Elections, Audits (3)</i>	615,510.00
5800	<i>Other Services, Postage, Advertising (4)</i>	596,282.20
	<i>TOTAL CONTRACT SERVICES, OTHER OPERATING EXP</i>	5,323,491.20

(Net reduction for 5000 accounts - \$595,000)

Notes:

- 1) Increase of \$600K from FY10-11 reduced by 50%*
- 2) Freeze contracts which terminate 6/30/2011.*
- 3) Increase from FY09-10 (an election year) reduced by \$95K*
- 4) Freeze contracts which terminate 6/30; reduce Advertising by \$100K*



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For Immediate Release

May 5, 2011

El Camino College Compton Center 2010 Graduate Accepted to Junior Summer Institute at Carnegie Mellon

El Camino College Compton Center alumnus Jamal Stokley is one of only 20 students who will spend the summer at Carnegie Mellon University's prestigious Public Policy & International Affairs (PPIA) Junior Summer Institute. Stokley was chosen from an exceptional pool of applicants to receive not only admission to the program, but also a fellowship. His fellowship includes roundtrip airfare, stipend, meal allowance, university housing, books and related course materials.

The PPIA program grooms students like Stokley for admission into the nation's top graduate-level policy programs and ultimately for roles serving the public good. Throughout the seven-week program, he will receive intensive training in the areas of public policy, quantitative thinking, communication and leadership.

Stokley, who graduated from ECC Compton Center in June 2010, began carving out his role as an emerging leader while earning his associate degree in liberal arts. He had many experiences that set the guidelines for his success, including making the Dean's List with a 4.0 GPA, serving as ASB commissioner of financial aid, and founding an entrepreneur association.

In April of 2010, Stokley participated in the Greenlining Institute's annual economic summit. Along with seven other ECC Compton Center students, he attended presentations on immigration reform, California's economy, and political term limits.

"The economic summit will long be remembered as an experience that paved the way for a group of ambitious college students from Compton Center to achieve great things both for themselves and the communities they represent for many years to come," said Stokley.

His level of engagement during the summit, coupled with his strong networking skills, led to an internship with the organization. Stokley spent the summer of 2010 in Berkeley, Calif., working under and learning from the Greenlining Institute's CEO.

Stokley transferred to San Francisco State University in fall 2010 and is currently earning a degree in marketing and communications. In the future, Stokley, a father of two, is interested in becoming an entrepreneur or perhaps pursuing a career in advertising or marketing. "I want to make an impact in America from a corporate perspective," he said.

About El Camino College Compton Center

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June 6, 2011

El Camino College Compton Center Presents Class of 2011

El Camino College Compton Center will celebrate its 5th Annual Commencement on June 9 in the Tartar Quad. Addressing the Class of 2011 will be William Allen Young, acclaimed actor, orator and advocate for higher education. Young is also an El Camino College alumnus who, in 1976, was ranked as one of the top forensics team speakers among all community colleges in the nation.

The following are the 2011 graduates listed by city of residence:

Bellflower

Armesse Joyann Randolph
Belinda Swayzer
Cheryl L. Thomas

Beverly Hills

Latricia Bowers

Buena Park

Juvenal Reyes

Carson

Gabrielle Marie Bausley
Jacqueline Cherry
Jonathan Fernandez
Sherry Leann Funez
David Frank Gonzales, Jr.
Maribel Padilla Gonzalez
Re'Aunna Henderson
LaToya L. Kennedy
Angelo D. Looney II
Gerald Wendell Ransfer
LaKenya Rolland
Maria Reyda Zuniga Roxas
LaTia Antointette Samuel
Joya Elayne Service
Patricia Silva
Setu D. Taase
Ajeunesse Wilbert
Carleece Jeanine Williams-
Breaux
Navell Winbush
Denise M. Wright

Compton

Petronila Arias
Vanessa Arias
Maribel Barron
Nancy S. Bonilla
Richelle Brooks-Williams
Sheila Broussard
Telisha Burton
Jennifer A. Carter-Franklin
Beatriz Cornejo
Dena Jania Edwards-Cole
Denetria Lashun Emery
Evelyne Escobar
Beatris Espinoza
Andre LaVont Flowers II
Ne'keya Myqueen Freeman
Yesica V. Garcia
Erica Gomez
Miranda Leigh Hagan
Pamela W. Haskins
Zakiya Hill
Camille Tiara Johnson
Erik Joseph Konop
Lawrence Anthony Lawson
Mayra Leandro
Emily Leon
Melika Lynette Machen
Mysherry Karda Moore
Rosa Carmen Munoz
Jose Raul Muro
Teela Murphy
Khaila Satee Nellum
Randolph Stephen Nero

Jose Roberto Pacheco
Mayra L. Padilla
Juana Martinez Perez
Omonique Perkins
Dana Rehelle Pickett
Maria Preciado
Alma Delia Quijas
Lorena Ramos-Rios
Jasman R. Rand
Mayra Reyes
Sarah Robledo-Diaz
Silvia Robles
Cindy Rodriguez
Rosario Saenz
Cynthia Salas
Anthony Sandoval
Juana Sandoval
Mayra E. Serrato
Kashay A. Shann
Jocelyn' Chaunt'e Simmons
Rosio Soltero
Lidia R. Tejada
Liseth Tinoco
Denise Vargas
Kenneth Vicuna
Araceli Maria Villagomez
Silvia Villanueva
Traynetta Wendy Washington
Calvin Jaminsonmauri Weaks
LaMaree Dante Weaks
Shakeena Weber
Brandon White
Martin D. Whitmore

Ebony Marie Williams
Joseph R. Williams
Markia Wyche
Derrick James Young
Lounesha Dashay Young

Corona

Margaret Vanessa Nahamya

Dallas

Gabriel Nwachukwu

Gardena

Tiffany Venice Brown-Turner
Kelly Marii Cooper
Donald Chion Malone
Jacob Ray Mark
Timothy McKenzie
Rodrick Wayne Moore
Guenevere San Gil

Harbor City

Carol Xiomara Marroquin

Hawthorne

Cherryl Mbuh Diom
Astin Marie Henry
Oladapo A. Ogunnaike
Dozie Benjamin Okonkwo

Inglewood

Angela Denise Dittaway
Dajonae Jackson
Glendy L. Morataya
Isela Zacarias

La Palma

Royce Portugal

Lakewood

Ellis Earl Barfield
Anthony P. Bernal
Estal Cole
Heather Yvonne Franks
Mary Green-Montgomery
Telecia Lashaun Williams

Long Beach

Keisha N. Briggs-Graham
Mary Jane N. Briz
Robert C. Brown
Trina Brown

Dorothy A. Bush
Mildred Yanira Cabrera
Monesha Nicole Clayton
Denice Teresa Cuevas
Shanelle Nicole DeAngelo
Kaineka Terell Ducreay
Malia Lynn Faildo
Erika Gomez
Alicia Guadalupe Gonzalez
Marc Phillip Gonzalez
Eveian L. Grigsby
Robyn Johnson
Cameron K. Lockley
Leslie Diana Mazariegos
Sharon Betsy Mazariegos
Brittney Lanette Meador
Monica Ogbuafor
Nnanyelu Oguagha
Maria R. Palugod
Loranne Phillips-Dirks
Flor N. Pillado
Guadalupe Quinones
Alshalina Rodgers
Lisa Stokes
Kathleen Varela
Glenroy Lee Walker
Arlana Jean Walton
Destiny Latreece Washington
Eric L. Washington
Renesha Danae Wayne
Antonia Whitaker-Kleckley
Opal Denisa Williams
Shaneece Williams
Lisa Denise Youngblood

Los Angeles

Gloria G. Ambriz
Hulda A. Asiegbu
Felisha Augustine
Kharel Autrey
Maxie Bishop
Juan Manuel Camacho
Felicia L. Collins
Alisha Nicole-Lamour Fletcher
Sharron LaTriace Gilmore
Michael Anthony Gomez
Miguel Angel Helguera
Jewel Elizabeth Hoof
Anastasia Jackson
Ca Sandra F. Johnson
Mary Lousie Johnson
Allana Jordan

Earl S. Jordan Sr.
Gretchen R. Lee
Hannah Richard Maghasi
Uranis S. Mitchell
Marco Muniz
Prisyla Sarai Ramirez
Annette Jacquise Richard
Ellyse Rodriguez-Davila
Theodorsia Smith
Joi Patryce Stewart
Andrea Gertrese Taylor
Jacquelyne Janel Ubabuko
Sydnee Walker
Kairo Jehrod Warren
Manoah Wesson
Crystal Alaine Williams

Lynwood

Martha Gayton
Marquetra Denisha Hazzard
Margaret Luna
Rebeca Judith Miranda
Edith Josefina Negrete
Olga Quirarte
Johnna Ronique Reed
Carmen M. Vasquez

Norwalk

Gerrard Joey Huff
Shernea Laniece Tennison

Paramount

Katherine Aranda
Lissett Felix
Yolanda Hernandez
Teresa Ochoa
Stephany Ramos
Matthew Wesley-Moore

Redondo Beach

Krstyl Veal-Benoit

South Gate

Ana B. Galdamez
Dinorah Del Carmen Quintanilla

Torrance

Pearl Anne N. Aberin
Michelle Gerety
Ronnie Levi Manning
Thelma Chua Salunga
Sandy M. Weaver



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May 5, 2011

El Camino College Compton Center Mathematics Instructor Participates in Jaime Escalante Legacy Project

El Camino College Compton Center instructor Ruth Zambrano dedicates her summers to engaging inner-city youth in a demanding academic schedule of pre-college and college mathematics through the Jaime Escalante Math Program where she teaches pre-algebra and algebra. Instructors for this program are carefully selected based on their teaching skills and a passionate dedication to the success of their students.

Zambrano, who teaches courses such as basic arithmetic skills, pre-algebra, elementary algebra, intermediate algebra and college algebra at ECC Compton Center, has been a part of the Jaime Escalante Math Program since 2007. This mathematical "boot-camp" provides rigorous instruction in intermediate and advanced mathematics to middle and high school aged students in order to improve their chances of being accepted to university-level math and science programs. The program is the legacy of Jaime Escalante, a former math instructor at Garfield High School in Los Angeles who is also the subject of the 1988 film *Stand and Deliver*. During his tenure, Escalante dramatically improved the performance of his students by demanding the most out of them with a "hard work for student and teacher alike" approach.

Zambrano's approachable, attentive teaching style lends itself to this innovative, total immersion mathematics program where students cover one year of mathematics (two semesters) in seven weeks.

"In spending four hours per day, five days a week with students, you really get to know their strengths and weaknesses and are better able to meet their needs," says Zambrano. "I try to do the same thing with my students at ECC Compton Center by giving step-by-step instruction, creating a comfortable environment for questions, and making myself available for one-on-one tutoring."

Female students account for more than half of the Escalante Program's enrollment. Zambrano enjoys being a role model for young women interested in mathematics.

"I love it when even the shy girls start to ask questions," Zambrano says. "It means they have a desire to understand, which is important in keeping middle school girls engaged in the subject."

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Jaime Escalante Legacy Project 2-2-2-2

Zambrano spent her formative years in Huntington Park and Lynwood. One aspect of participating in the Escalante Program and teaching at ECC Compton Center that she finds particularly rewarding is working with students in the communities where she grew up.

"I see myself in my students and want to show them that anything is possible," she says. "One of the greatest feelings in teaching is giving others the skills they need to achieve their goals."

Zambrano earned a Master of Science degree in applied mathematics from California State University, Long Beach, in addition to a Bachelor of Science degree in the same subject from UCLA.

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June 22, 2011

Compton Community College District Welcomes New Manager of Accounting

The Compton Community College District (CCCD) has hired Robert Graham as its new manager of accounting. He will report to the Chief Business Officer of the District, and will assist with planning, directing and supervising daily accounting operations for the District, as well as have oversight for day-to-day financial processing, reporting, and record-keeping activities.

Graham has extensive budget and accounting experience in education and government organizations. He joins the CCCD from Southwestern Community College District in Chula Vista, Calif., where he served as accountant and senior budget analyst for four years. From 2002 to 2007, he was a fund specialist at the Sacramento City Unified School District where he provided budget preparation and analysis for 21 school sites with collective budgets totaling \$40 million. Graham also previously worked as an auditor for the California Bureau of State Audits in Sacramento. He holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from San Diego State University. Graham joined the CCCD on May 23, 2011.

About the Compton Community College District

The Compton Community College District serves the communities of Carson, Compton, Enterprise, North Long Beach, Lynwood, Paramount and Willowbrook. The District is governed by a state-appointed Special Trustee, who works with the five-member elected Board of Trustees. Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. The District is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA, 90221.

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May 19, 2011

Media Coverage and Publicity Generated for Compton Community College District's California Nisei College Diploma Project Receives Top Honors

The Compton Community College District, through the efforts of the El Camino College Public Relations and Marketing Department, has been awarded first place in the "Media Success Story" category for the successful media coverage and publicity generated for the California Nisei College Diploma Project. The award was presented by the Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO) last month.

A CCPRO Award represents the highest mark of achievement for marketing, public relations and government relations professionals in California's 112 community colleges. The "Media Success Story" was judged for stated media/publicity goals and objectives, strategies developed to meet goals, amount and quality of media coverage, and overall impact.

One CCPRO judge noted, "It is a media success story that really ticks all the boxes! It is emotional, it is about families, it is about righting wrong, it is about education and it is about caring." Another judge commented, "Well-executed plan with remarkable results; well done!"

The ECC Public Relations and Marketing team successfully implemented targeted media outreach, as well as utilized news releases, a web page, and other marketing collateral to recognize former Nisei students (second-generation Japanese Americans) who had their education interrupted during World War II when they were ordered into internment camps as a result of Executive Order 9066. From the outset, the goal was to present these individuals with honorary degrees.

At the center of the campaign were a series of news releases capturing the poignant life stories of some of the honorees. The stories captured the resilience of honorees such as Tomomi (Tom) Murakami who spent three months in an internment camp in Rohrer, Arkansas, before going on to earn a Ph.D. in electrical engineering, establishing 11 patents and enjoying a long and distinguished career at RCA. Honoree Lawson Sakai and his family received safe passage to Colorado, but soon after relocating he volunteered to join the 442nd Regimental Combat Team where he served in Mississippi and later France. Wounded four times in combat, Sakai was awarded both a Purple Heart and two Bronze Star Medals; today he serves as the president of the Friends & Family of Nisei Veterans (FFNV) organization in Morgan Hill, Calif.

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Nisei Diploma Project Wins Media Campaign Honor 2-2-2-2

Honorees were also recognized posthumously, which was the case for accomplished journalist Miwako "Monica" (Oana) Miya. She and her family were forced to move to the Heart Mountain Relocation Center in Wyoming. While there, Miya wrote a column about internment camp life titled "Mo's Scratchpad" for the Heart Mountain Sentinel, the relocation center's newspaper. She went on to become the Associate Dean of Student Affairs at Columbia University's School of Journalism.

The public relations outreach for this campaign captured the attention of local media that included cable television outlets, as well as regional, local and Japanese-focused newspapers. More importantly, it helped the team achieve their goal and, ultimately, 43 former Compton Community College students received honorary Associate of Arts degrees from the Compton Community College District at a special ceremony last fall.

The honorees and their family members were emotionally moved and truly grateful for the experience. In many cases, the event was an opportunity for education about an important period in history, as well as a catalyst for tearful reunions of former classmates who hadn't seen each other for nearly 70 years. The brother of a graduate wrote, "It was a moving experience for us and we shall never forget the honor you have bestowed on our sister. Our Shiroishi family 110th year reunion (with 300 people strong attending) will be in 2014 and we will make sure that this event is presented as a legacy."

The son of another graduate commented, "The ceremony was not only an opportunity to gather with family, but it was an opportunity to reflect on the internment, the role of education in our lives, the injustice that can occur and has occurred in our immediate family, and the importance of keeping history alive."

The CCPRO panel of judges included editors, writers, graphic designers and media producers. Judges awarded points to each entry based on predetermined guidelines. Based on the results of the judging, the CCPRO committee presented first, second and third place awards for each category as appropriate.

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Juana Sandoval Selected as El Camino College Compton Center's 2011 Student Commencement Speaker

On Thursday, June 9, Juana Sandoval will deliver the student address to graduates at El Camino College Compton Center's 2011 Commencement. The ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Tartar Quad. Sandoval's speech will highlight her incredible journey from immigrant to El Camino College Compton Center graduate.

Sandoval is a native of Zacatecas, Mexico. In 1999, she came to the United States with her parents and siblings, settled in Compton (Calif.) and quickly found work as a machine operator in a factory. At the factory, Sandoval endured undesirable working conditions and it did not take her long to realize that an education was her ticket to a better life. However, as an immigrant unsure of her English language and writing skills, a college degree seemed unobtainable.

Determined to take on the challenge, Sandoval first enrolled at an adult education center. She gained the writing and speaking skills necessary to obtain her GED and ultimately enrolled at El Camino College Compton Center in 2006.

Sandoval's story as a student at ECC Compton Center is not only one of success, but also of perseverance. Despite several setbacks and family circumstances that could have derailed her education, Sandoval has achieved a great deal. She is graduating with an associate degree and a 3.87 GPA and plans to transfer to California State University, Dominguez Hills, where she will major in business administration.

Her father's words, "Education is one of the most important values that a person can possess," are what she credits for motivating her to study harder during challenging times. As a mother of two, she hopes to pass these words down to her children in hopes that they too will pursue a higher education.

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El Camino College Compton Center's Associated Student Body to Sponsor a Student Health Expo

El Camino College Compton Center's Associated Student Body (ASB) is sponsoring a Student Health Expo that will take place on Tuesday, May 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Student Lounge. Students and members of the public are encouraged to attend this complimentary event.

The Student Health Expo will include various fitness and health care companies and providers' exhibits. Some of these organizations include UCLA Care Center, Watts Health Foundation, LA Fitness, Reach LA, 24 Hour Fitness and Planned Parenthood. Attendees will be able to interact with these exhibitors and become more aware of the various programs and services they offer in support of healthy living.

Two open mic discussions will also take place. One will cater to men and the other will cater to women. Dr. Ernest Smith and Health Instructor Diana Collins will be moderating the discussions, which will give students and community members the opportunity to ask questions and seek out information that will help them to become more proactive about their health.

Nutritious smoothies will be served as refreshments, compliments of Jamba Juice.

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June 2, 2011

William Allen Young to Deliver 2011 Commencement Address at El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center is pleased to announce that William Allen Young will deliver this year's commencement address on June 9. Young, an acclaimed actor, orator and advocate for higher education, has a passion for inspiring young people to become future leaders and champions of change in their communities and society. Young is El Camino College alumnus who, in 1976, was ranked as one of the top forensics team speakers among all community colleges in the nation.

A Washington D.C. native who spent his formative years living in South Central Los Angeles, Young rose from humble beginnings to achieve notable success. His acting career spans two decades and includes starring roles on hit television series like *Moesha* and *CSI: Miami*, as well as in stage and film productions—including the Academy Award-nominated film, *A Soldier's Story*.

Young's journey of success and national fame began at age 13 when he discovered acting. He studied at the famed Inner City Acting Academy and later honed his skills at the University of Southern California (USC) under the direction of his mentor, American theatre icon John Houseman. He later traveled to Russia to study at the renowned Moscow Art Theatre.

A belief in the value of higher education led Young to establish his own nonprofit organization, Young Center for Academic & Cultural Enrichment, where he works to create opportunities for economically disadvantaged youth to realize their dreams of earning a college degree. Over the years, his work has changed the lives of children around the world.

While attending USC, Young led the Trojan Debate Squad to two consecutive National Championships and is now a dynamic motivational speaker. His extensive client list includes organizations such as Northrop Grumman, NAACP, California Teachers Association, Los Angeles Community College District, Stanford University and USC.

Young graduated from Locke High School in Los Angeles, and became a distinguished graduate at USC. He earned a masters degree in Sociolinguistics and a bachelor's degree in Rhetoric & Debate.

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May 19, 2011

El Camino College Compton Center's Matthew Young Named All-SCC Most Valuable Player for Baseball

El Camino College Compton Center's Tartar baseball team tied for second place with East Los Angeles in the South Coast Conference (SCC) division. Their 13-8 season finish can be attributed, in part, to the outstanding performance of sophomore Matthew Young. Young ranked first in the SCC in nine offensive categories this season including conference hits (53), total bases (77), on-base percentage (.511), slugging percentage (.647), runs scored (31) and batting average (.465). Recently, Young was selected as the All-SCC most valuable player, as well as its offensive player of the year.

Young was not the only member of the Tartar baseball team to post impressive numbers this season. ECC Compton Center placed near or at the top of statistical categories such as batting average, runs scored, runs batted in and bases stolen in conference play this season. As a result, several Tartar baseball players are represented on All-SCC baseball teams.

Freshman designated hitter Pascual Garcia made the All-SCC First Team; sophomore infielder Joseph Williams and freshman Mark Silva, as well as sophomore outfielder and two-time All-SCC player Kyle Gonzaga made the All-SCC second team; and sophomore pitcher Aldo Montoya, sophomore captain and pitcher David Rivera and freshman pitcher Tyray Gatewood received All-SCC honorable mentions. In addition, Joseph Williams (second base) was also named to the All-SCC Defensive Team.

The depth of the team coupled with Young's high level of skill led the Tartars to exciting victories over several traditional baseball powerhouses. The Tartars finished the conference season with two wins against Long Beach City, two wins against Cerritos, two wins against Mt. San Antonio and a win against Los Angeles Harbor.

For more information regarding Tartar athletics, including baseball, contact Albert "Lefty" Olguin, Director of Athletics, at 310-900-1600, ext. 2940, or at aolguin@elcamino.edu.

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Compton Community College District Board to Meet

The next meeting of the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Lounge at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221. Please note the change in date and location; the June meeting will not be held on the second Tuesday of the month as is normally the case.

Closed session begins at 5:00 p.m. for anyone wishing to address the Board on closed session agenda items.

The Board Agenda is posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the District website, www.district.compton.edu.

All regular session Board meetings are open to the public.

About the Compton Community College District

The Compton Community College District serves the communities of Carson, Compton, Enterprise, North Long Beach, Lynwood, Paramount and Willowbrook. The District is governed by a state-appointed Special Trustee, who works with the five-member elected Board of Trustees. Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. The District is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA, 90221.

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Compton baseball team players voted to all-conference squad

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