



March 20, 2014

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Chief Executive Officer

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Special Trustee
Compton Community College District

Dear Special Trustee Henry:

Spring is upon us and students appear eager to complete the semester and move ahead to transfer to a four-year university, find a job or return to the Compton Center for another semester to finish their course work. We continue to be inspired in our daily work by the words – “every student is a success story”.

Sunday, March 16, 2014, marked my three-year anniversary as the CEO of the Compton Community College District. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, faculty, staff, managers, board members, our partnering district and you for making the past three years a very rewarding experience. The next regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014. Closed session begins at 4:00 p.m., with open session commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendar for the Grand Opening of the Library-Student Success Center, scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. Parking will be available in Lots A, E and F.

The March 25, 2014 Board Agenda includes the following:

- A. The consent section includes various purchase orders necessary for operation of the District and the El Camino College Compton Center, as well as all personnel actions.
- B. The action agenda includes approving a new member to the Special Trustee Advisory Committee; and requesting approval to change the name of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) to the Library-Student Success Center.
- C. The discussion/information agenda includes the Special Trustee Advisory Committee minutes; and the Special Trustee Advisory Committee meeting dates; the board meeting Presentations and Reports Schedule for 2014; the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee meeting dates; the El Camino College Compton Center FTES Goals & Actuals 2013-2014; and the Measure CC Bond Fund Category Budgets and Balances through February 28, 2014.

The items below are included for your perusal:

1. Letter to Special Trustee Henry dated March 20, 2014, regarding the African-American Education Network and Development (A²MEND) organization purchase orders.

2. Memo from Barbara Perez dated March 20, 2014, providing the dates for the El Camino College Compton Center year-end activities.
3. Memo from Felipe Lopez dated March 19, 2014, providing the revenue we received for non-resident tuition from 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013.
4. Memo from Rodney Murray dated March 19, 2014, providing an update on the Southwest Los Angeles Adult Education Consortium.
5. Memo from Felipe Lopez dated March 19, 2014, providing additional information on the District's Membership in the Statewide Educational Wrap-Up Program (SEWUP) Joint Powers Authority (JPA).
6. Memo from Felipe Lopez dated March 19, 2014, providing an update on the Request for Proposal for Polling Services.
7. Memo from Linda Owens dated March 19, 2014, providing an update on the Compton Construction Project.
8. Memo from Reuben James dated March 19, providing a list of the Special Events for the month of March 2014.
9. Compton Community College District and El Camino College Compton Center News Releases for February 13, 2014 through March 18, 2014.

If you would like to request additional back-up information on any Board Agenda items prior to the March 25, 2014 board meeting, please contact Ms. Paula VanBrown, Executive Assistant to the CEO, at (310) 900-1600, ext. 2001. Any additional back-up information will also be made available to the public at the March 25, 2014 board meeting.

Sincerely,



Keith Curry
CEO

c: CCCD Board of Trustees
Vice President, Deans, Directors



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On the March 25, 2014 Compton Community College District board agenda there are several purchase orders for approval for the African-American Education Network and Development (A²MEND) organization. The A²MEND organization is comprised of African American male administrators who utilize their scholarly and professional expertise to foster institutional change within the community college system. Since 2009, I have been a member of this volunteer organization serving in many capacities, including chairing the 7th Annual A²MEND Summit, "Standing Our Ground: Building Pathways for African-American Male Student Success," held at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott Hotel on March 6-7, 2014.

The purchase orders on the Compton Community College District board agenda are the registration fees for employees and students from our First Year Experience Program who attended the Summit. The funds from registration are used to support the Summit and the operations of the A²MEND organization. For full disclosure purposes, I do not receive any financial benefit from my participation with the A²MEND organization.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Keith Curry", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Keith Curry
CEO

FROM: Barbara Perez, Vice President Compton Center

SUBJECT: End of the Year Activities



El Camino College Compton Center

March 20, 2014

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Time</i>
April 15, 2014	Grand Opening Library-Student Success Center	SSC Building	2:00pm
April 25, 2014	CalWORKS Student and Employer Recognition Breakfast	Student Lounge	8:30am
April 27, 2014	Academic Awards Tea	Student Lounge	3:00pm
May 8, 2014	First Year Experience Program Year-End Celebration	Student Lounge	1:00pm-2:30pm
May 9, 2014	Transfer Center Admit Celebration Reception	Staff Lounge	12 noon-2:00pm
May 9, 2014	EOPS/CARE Spring Banquet	Double Tree Hotel 2 Civic Plaza Drive Carson, CA	6:00pm
May 13, 2014	Nursing Pinning Ceremony	Gymnasium	6:00pm
May 15, 2014	Commencement Ceremony	Soccer/Football Stadium	5:30pm
May 29, 2014	ASB Awards Banquet	Student Lounge	6:30pm

Please share the list of end-of-year activities at the Compton Center with the Special Trustee and members of the Board of Trustees. I hope they will be able to join us in the celebration of our student's accomplishments.



OFFICE OF BUSINESS SERVICES

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Chief Executive Officer

From: Felipe R Lopez, Chief Business Officer

Date: March 19, 2014

Subject: Non-resident Tuition

The District has recorded revenues for non-resident tuition over the past three fiscal years as follows:

- FY2011 - \$99,897
- FY2012 - \$51,007
- FY2013 - \$99,449



El Cerrito College
Compton, CA

March 20, 2014

TO: Dr. Keith Curry, CEO



Office of Dean of Student Learning

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Chief Executive Officer

From: Dr. Rodney Murray, Dean of Student Learning

Date: March 19, 2014

Subject: Southwest Los Angeles Adult Education Consortium Update

The California Department of Education and Community College Chancellor's Office are jointly overseeing the AB 86 Adult Education Regional Consortia program. The Legislature has committed funds to AB86 to develop regional consortia of K-12 and community college districts to collaborate regionally to develop plans for expanding and improving adult education services by creating linkages between the two educational systems. The law requires that a consortium have at least one community college district and one K-12 district within the boundaries of the community college district. The adult education providers of the K-12 districts within our community college district are working together to form a consortium.

Compton Community College District and El Camino College Compton Center is a part of the Southwest Los Angeles Adult Education Consortium which also includes Compton Unified School District, Lynwood Unified School District, and Paramount Unified School District.

In preparation for forming this AB86 Consortium, our members met on four occasions beginning in November, 2013. First meetings focused on relationship building and sharing information regarding our programs. Subsequent meetings have focused on the AB86 application process.

Guiding principles that inform the planning process going forward include:

1. Share the leadership and the workload
2. Rotate meeting locations and meeting facilitator among the members
3. Value all comments, questions, and suggestions
4. Ensure that everyone at the meetings has the same status during discussions
5. Come prepared to the meetings
6. Meet timelines for all tasks
7. Share communication and materials with all participants

Thomas M. Fallo, Ed.D.
Superintendent/President
El Camino College



Barbara Perez
Vice President
El Camino Compton
Community Center

Regular scheduled meetings are held monthly. Other meetings are scheduled as needed by decision at the monthly meetings. The Southwest Los Angeles Adult Education Consortium will communicate the planning process, members' assignments, and consortium agreements to appropriate levels of governance within each district and other organizations within the region via progress reports to ensure transparency and accountability. Reports will be made available in a variety of formats, including electronic and hard copies.

The Consortium will communicate with regional stakeholders and neighboring regions, including parents, businesses, public service agencies, and state and local government agencies through the following communication channels; paid newspaper display ads in local news outlets, district newsletters, town hall meetings, news releases written by a professional PR Consultant, media outlets and interviews on public and cable television and radio, e-mail lists, a common website, and social media.

Consortium members will also communicate to all stakeholders through a common brochure, containing the following information; career pathways, course offerings, industry-based certifications, regional economic trend data, financial aid information and deadlines, and registration information. Staff and students will be apprised of the planning process progress via already established site-based communication channels (i.e., faculty and staff meetings, Associated Student Body Meetings). The Consortium will approve any and all communications to the regional stakeholders and neighboring regions.

To this date, the consortium has submitted all required forms to the CCCCCO and received a notice of funding. The consortium will begin reviewing program areas from each district to meet the grant objectives.



OFFICE OF BUSINESS SERVICES

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Chief Executive Officer
From: Felipe R Lopez, Chief Business Officer
Date: March 19, 2014
Subject: Statewide Educational Wrap-Up Program (SEWUP)

The District is a member of the Statewide Educational Wrap-up Program (SEWUP) Joint Powers Authority and is utilizing SEWUP of the Allied Health Building Project. The SEWUP JPA provides the most comprehensive and cost effective policies available in the market place in terms of limits of liability and insurance coverage. The coverages include:

- Workers' Compensation
- General Liability
- Builder's Risk
- Contractor's Pollution Liability
- Owner's Protective Professional Indemnity

Under the General Liability, the comprehensive liability policy written on a Commercial General Liability Form to provide third-party coverage with dedicated limits to each bound project and is intended to cover:

- The District;
- General Contractor/Prime Contractor;
- Subcontractors of every tier;

The policy is intended to pay, on behalf of any insured, all sums the insured becomes legally obligated to pay while they are engaged in services or construction operations under a contract because of claims or suits alleging:

- Bodily injury, sickness or disease
- Personal injury
- Property Damage, including loss of use

This program excludes the following from this policy and will not cover:

- Breach of Contract
- Mold/Fungus
- Contractor's Equipment
- Automobile Liability

The Builder's Risk covers the building/structure (as well as materials and equipment intended to become a permanent part of the building/structure) while in the course of construction, reconstruction or renovation. I

Contractor's Pollution Liability provides protection against a sudden and accidental pollution condition that is created or exacerbated by an enrolled contractor during the course of construction.

The Owner's Protective Professional Indemnity acts as an umbrella to protect Owners (Districts) from claims in excess of the design consultant's own practice policies; with drop down provisions if consultant's limits are depleted. This is a critical coverage for the Owner (District) as defense costs on an E & O (error and omissions) claim can erode an Architect and Engineer's limits of liability leaving an Owner (District) uncovered and their general funds vulnerable.

The premium for insurance on the Allied Health Building project is \$314,934.66 which is based on the construction value of \$9,597,662.



OFFICE OF BUSINESS SERVICES

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Chief Executive Officer

From: Felipe R Lopez, Chief Business Officer

Date: March 19, 2014

Subject: RFP # CCCD-0020 – Polling Services

Below is a summary of the RFP # CCCD-0020 – Polling Services:

The District issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for polling services requesting qualifications from qualified opinion research firms (“Consultant”) to conduct a public opinion poll to understand the knowledge and attitudes among the District’s constituents on related educational issues and to determine the feasibility of passing the Bond Measure.

The deadline to submit a RFP is Friday March 21, 2014. The District has formed a committee which will be reviewing the proposals, interviewing potential firms, and providing a recommendation to the CEO to award. The District anticipates providing a recommendation to the board at the April 15, 2014 board meeting.

MEMORANDUM

TO: DR. KEITH CURRY, CEO

FROM: LINDA OWENS, DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: COMPTON CAMPUS PROJECTS UPDATE (BOND AND STATE FUNDED PROJECTS)

DATE: 3/19/14

Project Update:

I. LRC Project

Final acceptance of the LRC project by DSA will require the closeout of both 'A' numbers, which covers both original and new construction modifications. All 160 change orders have been DSA approved.

The Contractor, P.H. Hagopian, is approximately 98% complete. Installation of new computers in all the labs and offices is ongoing. The Library and Learning Resource Center move into the new building is scheduled for the week of Spring Break. The contractor has also continued general cleaning of areas where work is complete. The Project is still on schedule. The Grand Opening of the LRC Building is scheduled for April 15, 2014 at 2pm.

II. Music Building Renovation (Y-Area / Little Theater)

The current total project budget is \$1 Million. WLC Architect, the new architect of record for this project, submitted the documents to DSA in December 2013. Documents are due back from DSA in July/August 2014.

III. Server Room and MIS Building Enhancements

Phase 1 of this project was completed in February 2014. Remaining phases are dependent upon future budget allocations.

IV. Phase I - Central Plant / Stadium Lighting

The Photovoltaic (solar) panels are installed and terminated. The contractor is working on completing an interconnectivity agreement with SCE to operate the solar panels. The final power switch over to the new electrical system for the MIS and M&O Buildings is scheduled for the first Sunday in April. The switchover will require a complete campus wide shutdown. The contractor continues to flush the old and new chilled water systems as they prepare to

start-up the central plant system. The contractor is still working on providing an overall completion schedule.

Phase I – Utility Infrastructure

Landscaping and irrigation along the Main Road is complete. Programming for the new lighting is almost complete. Connection of domestic water, gas and sewer to the existing buildings continues. The contractor is working on providing an overall completion schedule.

Retention Basin - The Retention Basin is complete. The contractor is providing pricing for irrigation and hydro-seeding of the area. The District is planning to use this area as a practice field.

Project Update Continued...

V. Phase II – Utility Infrastructure

Landscaping and irrigation along the Main Road is complete. Programming for the new lighting is almost complete. The East Greenleaf gate is almost complete. Installation of a man gate, fence panels and painting remains for completion of east Greenleaf entrance. Connection of domestic water, gas and sewer to the existing buildings continues. Pending changes include a new trash enclosure in parking lot G and ramp with pathway at parking lot F. The contractor is working on providing an overall completion schedule.

VI. Allied Health Building

Department of Finance gave final approval for this project at the end of February 2014. The Pre-construction meeting with the general contractor, AMG, is scheduled for March 20, 2014 at 10am. The project duration is scheduled for 548 days.



OFFICE OF BUSINESS SERVICES

To: Dr. Keith Curry, Interim Chief Executive Officer
From: Reuben James, Director of Fiscal Affairs
Date: March 19, 2014
Subject: March Events

Below is the list of the special events that are scheduled for the month of March 2014

Upward Bound Saturday Academy	March 1, 8, 22, 29, 2014 8:00 am – 12:30 pm	D-32, 33, Y-99, VT-212 B
Cocaine Anonymous Meeting	March 1 – July 12, 2014 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm (Sat)	V-70
ECC-Track Team Practice	Feb. 3 – May 19, 2014 2:30 pm – 6:00 pm (Mon-Fri)	Track
Counseling-Probation Workshops	March 4-26, 2014 11:30 am -12:30 pm (Tues) 5:30pm -6:30pm (Wed)	F-31
Pacific Shock Waves Youth Track Practice	March 4 -27, 2014 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm (Tues/Thurs.)	Track
CalWorks Student Forum	March 14, 2014 8:00 am – 10:30 am	Student Lounge
Classified Union Mtg.	March 20, 2014 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Staff Lounge

Dr. Keith Curry CIFE Workshop	March 22, 2014 7:00 am- 2:00 pm	Student/Staff Lounge
Student Services Staff Meeting	March 22, 2014 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Staff Lounge
Health/Human Srvs Accreditation Update Forum	March 25, 2014 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Student Lounge
ASB-Cesar Chavez Celebration Day	March 27, 2014 11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Student Lounge



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For Immediate Release

March 19, 2014

Compton Community College District Board to Meet March 25

The next meeting of the Compton Community College District Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.

All regular session Board meetings are open to the public. Closed session begins at 4:00 p.m. The Board Agenda is posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the District website, www.district.compton.edu.

About the Compton Community College District

Board meetings are usually held the third 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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March 11, 2014

El Camino College Compton Center's First Year Experience Program Establishes All-Male Learning Community

"If I had not been in the First Year Experience program at El Camino College Compton Center, I would have dropped out of college," wrote a student in an anonymous feedback survey for the program.

In an effort to improve persistence and completion rates among African-American and Hispanic males in its student population, ECC Compton Center established an all-male learning community in the First Year Experience (FYE) program during the fall 2013 semester.

Concerned about the turnover of male students, faculty and administrators came together in the summer of 2012 to initiate a way to reach out to this population and offer programs that enhance their educational development. The FYE all-male learning community was made possible through a grant from Learning Works, and ECC Compton Center hired a new FYE program counselor to help with this initiative.

As one of the fastest growing and highly successful student support programs at ECC Compton Center, First Year Experience helps students in their first year of college by providing an educational environment where students learn collaboratively. Classes are linked so that groups of students enroll in courses together. Sharing common schedules, students also make friends, form study groups, and socialize together outside of class.

The FYE program at ECC Compton Center is serving more students than ever before. For the 2013-2014 academic year, FYE expanded to five learning communities, marking significant growth from the one learning community available when the program was established in 2009. With 150 students enrolled this year, the FYE program has served more than 600 ECC Compton Center students collectively.

Research shows that students who take part in a learning community program graduate at higher or faster rates than students who do not participate. During the 2013-2014 academic year, students enrolled in First Year Experience at ECC Compton Center have displayed an average retention rate (course completion rate, regardless of grade) of 90 percent, compared to a 80 percent retention rate for the general population. The average success rate of FYE students (course completion with a grade of C or better) is 8 percent higher than the average success rate for the general population.

The inclusion of an all-male learning community last fall is an extension of the Brother 2 Brother Mentoring organization established at ECC Compton Center last year. Brother 2 Brother is a peer-to-peer, minority enrichment mentoring program for male students.

Although freshman soccer recruit, Gerardo De La Riva, completed Advanced Placement and honors classes at South Gate High School, his college assessment tests resulted in lower basic skills placement than he had anticipated. "I was very nervous during testing, so I don't think I did as well as I could have," said De La Riva. "So the FYE counselor recommended the all-male learning community because it offers an accelerated basic skills curriculum the first semester to get up to speed."

A key component for the all-male learning community is pairing each student with a male mentor who is a member of the faculty, staff or administration. The program begins with the students meeting their mentors during a celebratory event. The pairs have the opportunity to cultivate a relationship that supports the students' educational development throughout the program.

"I am the first member of my family to go to college so I didn't want to take this opportunity for granted; it is important that I do well, transfer and earn a degree," said De La Riva, who plans to transfer to California State University, Dominguez Hills to major in health science. "The all-male learning community is a surprising bonus because I feel more comfortable participating in discussions; we relate in a straight-forward way."

Additional components of the all-male FYE curriculum and activities will include: an accelerated basic skills English class the first semester followed by a college-level English class the second semester; a course at UCLA on team building for males; a human development class; field trips to African-American and Hispanic heritage museums; motivational seminars focusing on teamwork and career exploration; and a year-end banquet for the students and their mentors.

Plans are underway to expand the FYE Program to six learning communities beginning in fall 2014 in order to serve even more students. "Recruitment and enrollment for FYE will begin earlier," said Estrada. "I will spend more time this spring working with the local high school counselors on recruiting seniors in the class of 2014. There is definitely interest in the program; an average of 25 potential students attended each of the weekly information sessions conducted last summer."

First Year Experience is currently accepting applicants for the 2014-2015 academic year. For more information, please call 310-900-1600, Ext. 2761. To enroll in the FYE Program or view a schedule of upcoming FYE Information Sessions beginning in March, please visit the website <http://www.compton.edu/student-services/fye/aboutfye.aspx>.

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February 28, 2014

Compton Community College District to Make Community Roundtable Presentation at Lynwood City Council Meeting March 4

Compton Community College District's (CCCD) CEO Keith Curry and El Camino College Compton Center Vice President, Barbara Perez will make a presentation at the Lynwood City Council meeting on Tuesday, March 4 at 6:00 p.m. The city council meeting is open to the public and will take place at the Lynwood City Hall, located at 11330 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262.

The Compton Community College District presentation will cover a number of topics of interest to the communities served by the District, including the process to accreditation, facilities master plan, and community participation in governance opportunities.

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February 19, 2014

El Camino College Compton Center Reminds High School Seniors, College-Bound Students of March 2 Deadline to Apply for Financial Aid

El Camino College Compton Center offers a reminder that the deadline for applying for a Cal Grant is Sunday, March 2, 2014. A Cal Grant is one of the best ways to get cash for college—it is a cash award that you don't have to pay back! Depending on the type of grant a student receives, the money can be used for tuition, books or supplies.

Students are encouraged to apply for financial aid today to get cash for college, even if they think they may not be eligible. Research shows that while hundreds of thousands of California's community college students are eligible for federal Pell Grants (worth up to \$5,645 each), most do not apply.

The first step in gaining access to financial aid is to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. One application is all that is needed to apply for both state and federal grants. It is important that students apply by the March 2 priority deadline in order to receive financial aid for the fall 2014 semester.

For more information about financial aid, and to get assistance with the application process, contact the El Camino College Compton Center Financial Aid Office, Room E-17, at 310-900-1600, Ext. 2935.

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February 18, 2014

El Camino College Compton Center Hosts Free Tax Preparation Assistance Event

Need help preparing and filing your taxes, as well as applying for student financial aid? El Camino College Compton Center is hosting the Intuit Financial Freedom Foundation, and the Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA), who will provide free tax preparation and filing assistance on Saturday, Feb. 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Vocational Technology Building, Rooms 209 and 212.

Also at ECC Compton on Feb. 22 is a “Cash for College” fair for parents and students from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Vocational Technology Building. This complimentary event is open to the public and includes an in-depth presentation on available financial aid and scholarships to help students afford college. Online computer assistance will be provided along with expert guidance in completing the Federal Financial Aid Application (FAFSA) in preparation for the March 2 submission deadline.

In order to be eligible for free tax preparation services, one of the following must apply: earned \$30,000 Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) or less in 2013; are eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC); or served active military duty in 2013, including Reservists and National Guard, with a 2013 W2 and an AGI of \$58,000 or less.

Participants need to bring a copy of their 2012 tax return, if available; a picture I.D. for each taxpayer and spouse, if applicable; a social security number or individual taxpayers’ identification number (ITIN) for each family member; proof of income including W2s and 1099 forms; documentation of deductible expenses; and account and routing numbers of checking and savings accounts for direct deposit and a faster refund.

Making an appointment to attend this event is highly recommended, but walk-ins are also welcome. Call 866-577-1231 and mention that you would like to reserve spot for the California Free Tax Event.

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February 6, 2014

El Camino College Compton Center Welcomes Four New Faculty Members

El Camino College Compton Center hired four new full-time faculty members at the beginning of the spring 2014 semester. These instructors, who join ECC Compton Center in the mission to provide high-quality educational programs, bring extensive knowledge and professional experience to their new roles, helping to contribute to student success.

Sevana Khodagholian

Chemistry instructor. Sevana Khodagholian earned both a Ph.D. and master's degree in organic chemistry from the University of California, Riverside and a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Southern California. She has been an adjunct instructor at Pasadena City College, Glendale Community College, and Ventura College. She also served as the math and science department head at the Fusion Academy and Learning Center in Hermosa Beach, California.

Jesse Mills

Political Science instructor. Jesse Mills earned a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Southern California, and graduated cum laude from Loyola Marymount University with a bachelor's degree in political science. Prior to joining ECC Compton Center, he taught political science and served as a lecturer at Loyola Marymount University, Scripps College, and the University of Southern California.

Kent Schwitkis

Physics/Astronomy instructor. Kent Schwitkis graduated with both a Ph.D. in high energy physics and a master's degree in physics from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He earned a bachelor's degree in physics from the University of California, San Diego. He has been an instructor of astronomy and physics at Chaffey College, California State University Dominguez Hills, Long Beach City College and Los Angeles City College. He also has more than 20 years experience working on satellite communications systems for the defense industry.

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ECC Compton Center New Faculty Members 2-2-2-2

Rajinder Sidhu

Anatomy/Physiology instructor. Rajinder Sidhu earned both a master's and bachelor's degree in zoology from Punjabi University in Patiala, India. Sidhu also completed courses in microbiology and human physiology at the University of California, Irvine. He most recently taught anatomy, physiology and biology as an instructor at El Camino College, Mt. San Antonio College, Cypress College, Coastline College and East Los Angeles College.

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