



PALOMAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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Student Trustee



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Superintendent/President

May 14, 2021

SPECIAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Public comment included the mention of the fee recovery grant project designed to reduce student past due balances, therefore enabling them to register for summer and fall terms. Comments were received regarding the recently established CCE Reimbursement Request Process, and support for enacting certain privileges for the Student Trustee.

Board President, Brian Olson thanked the organizers of the monthly food distribution events held at the main campus and expressed his desire to volunteer. He extended his congratulations to the 2021 graduates of Palomar College and looks forward to engaging with students, particularly as we return to onsite operations and learning in the fall.

Vice President, Mark Evilsizer issued a reminder regarding the 2021 Community College League of California (CCLC) Annual Trustees Conference May 5 – May 7. In addition, Trustee Evilsizer mentioned a webinar on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) that will be held on May 20, targeted to trustees in California. Dr. Kahn and Trustee Evilsizer are proposing a presentation on the progress of DEI work done at Palomar College be included in the webinar. Trustee Evilsizer also presented information on the increased need for future workforce related educators and his pursuance of connecting Palomar and CSU San Marcos, to collaborate on addressing this need. He also extended his congratulations to retirees and recent award recipients, Professor Lawson and Professor Sadat Ahadi. Trustee Evilsizer expressed his excitement for the Drive-Thru Commencement that will be held on May 28.

Secretary Norma Miyamoto extended her congratulations to the soon-to-be 2021 Palomar College graduates and recognized the work of faculty and staff who have worked with students to get them across the finish line. She also extended her congratulations to recent award recipients, Professor Lawson and Professor Sadat Ahadi. Trustee Miyamoto recognized the classified staff for their continued dedication to the college and expressed her gratitude for their work. She ended her report by thanking Dr. Kahn and the staff who worked to develop and issue the many reports associated with the May 4 board agenda.

Trustee Christian Garcia stated his congratulations to the 2021 Palomar College graduates and expressed his gratitude for all of the employees who continue to work together to move the College forward during a difficult time. Trustee Garcia mentioned his appreciation for the Board's commitment to move forward in selling the Educational Broadband System (EBS) licenses currently held by the College.

Trustee Roberto Rodriguez recognized the National Day of the Teacher and expressed his gratitude to all faculty. He also stated his gratitude for all of the DEI work that is continuing at the College. Trustee Rodriguez recognized the classified staff as the backbone of the College and stated his appreciation for their work and dedication.

Student Trustee Rachel Alazar stated that she is running for another term and encouraged all students to vote in the ASG elections and to get involved in the student life and leadership activities. She announced the upcoming event "Breaking the Silence" that will be held on May 21. The event is open to all students and designed to bring attention to the historical and recent discriminatory acts against Asian Pacific Islanders. Trustee Alazar expressed her gratitude for the privilege to serve as the Student Trustee.

Interim Superintendent/President, Dr. Jack Kahn recognized Teacher Appreciate Week and mentioned his fond memories of serving as a Dean and his observance of all of the great instructors. He recognized the extraordinary job our faculty do at Palomar College. Dr. Kahn summarized the work being done around strategic planning and the return to on campus work and safety plans. These plans are integral to our safe return to on campus learning and operations during the fall semester. Dr. Kahn provided insight into the upcoming DEI report and the many initiatives happening at the College as we continue to build the antiracist framework. He ended his report stating his gratitude for all of the work being done throughout the College.

BOARD ACTIONS

At its meeting on May 4, 2021 the Board of Trustees:

- Received a report on the potential sale of the District's Educational Broadband System licenses.
- Received a presentation on the dissolution of the Intelcom Learning Joint Powers Authority.
- Received a Quarterly Financial Status Update from Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Ambur Borth.
- Confirmed the instrument and timeline that will be implemented for the Governing Board's Self-Evaluation.
- Reviewed and approved four Board Policies, including BP 2510, BP 3310, BP 3500 and BP 3505.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

Brian Olson, *President*
Mark Evilsizer, *Vice President*
Norma Miyamoto, *Secretary*
Christian Garcia, *Trustee*
Roberto Rodriguez, *Trustee*
Rachel Alazar, *Student Trustee*

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT/ PRESIDENT

Jack Kahn, Ph.D.

BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Meetings are schedule to be held on the 1st Tuesday of the month in 2021. ***Due to COVID-19 all meetings are being held virtually. ***
Closed session 4:00 p.m. Open session 5:00 p.m.

June 1, 2021
July 6, 2021
August 3, 2021
September 7, 2021
October 5, 2021
November 2, 2021
December 7, 2021

For more information regarding these meetings please visit the Governing Board web page:
<https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/governingboard>

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