



PALOMAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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Star Rivera-Lacey, Ph.D.
Superintendent/President

August 13, 2021

SPECIAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Public comment included information on Article 16 of the Palomar Faculty Federation contract which outlines faculty benefits; the importance of gratitude and loyalty; and the Palomar College Antiracism framework.

Board President Olson announced his resignation from the Governing Board effective September 10 due to the eventuality that he will no longer live within Area 4 of the District. He will work with the Governing Board and Superintendent/President to support any required transition.

Board Vice President Evilsizer stated his respect for Trustee Olson's decision and thanked him for his service. He reported on attending the San Marcos Chamber of Commerce "Meet Your Elected Officials" event held on July 22. He welcomed Dr. Rivera-Lacey to her first official Governing Board meeting and thanked Dr. Jack Kahn for his dedication and work during the last 18 months.

Board Secretary Miyamoto thanked Trustee Olson for his service to his constituents and the Governing Board and wished him well. She welcomed Dr. Rivera-Lacey to her first official Governing Board, and recognized Dr. Jack Kahn for his leadership during the past 18 months. Trustee Miyamoto provided a short commentary on the learning paradigm born out of Palomar College in the late 90s, with a reminder of its importance as we start a new semester.

Trustee Garcia stated his agreement with the statement made by Trustee Rodriguez regarding the need to focus on desegregated student and employee demographic data. He stated his gratitude to Trustee Olson and wished him well. Trustee Garcia officially welcomed Dr. Rivera-Lacey to the College and stated his excitement for the coming academic year.

Trustee Rodriguez welcomed Dr. Rivera-Lacey. He stated that he was able to attend the convening of a workshop opposing the suppression of Asian Pacific Islanders and Native Americans, held on August 6. One key takeaway from the workshop was the stated importance of utilizing desegregated data when reviewing student and employee demographics. Trustee Rodriguez thanked Trustee Olson for his service and wished him well in his future endeavors.

Student Trustee Alazar welcomed Dr. Rivera-Lacey. She also expressed her concern related to impacted courses and associated lab classes. Student Trustee Alazar also mentioned the need to provide students with the reassurance that administrators are reviewing and tracking the impact of the COVID-19 variants and how it could impact the fall class schedule.

Superintendent/President Dr. Rivera-Lacey reported that the Palomar College Foundation received the largest grant in Foundation history for over \$100,000 from the Conrad Prebys Foundation. She also mentioned the convening of the first meeting of the Black/African American Community Advisory Council, held on August 6. Dr. Rivera-Lacey thanked Dr. Jack Kahn for his vision and Stacy Rungaitis for her work in supporting the Council. She also mentioned the work being done on the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) and its related importance to the March 2022 accreditation visit. Lastly, Dr. Rivera-Lacey recognized the facilities department for their dedication and work to prepare the campus and education centers for the new academic year.

BOARD ACTIONS

At its meeting on August 7, 2021 the Board of Trustees:

- approved a Memorandum of Understanding with San Diego Regional EDC for the College to become a preferred provider for manufacturing talent in the Machinist Technology Program through the Advancing San Diego initiative.
- approved the California COVID-19 Vaccine Program (MyCAVac) enrollment to allow the District to order, receive and administer the COVID-19 vaccines through Health Services and for the District to become a vaccination site.
- approved Resolution No. 20-21601 preliminary official statement in connection with 2021 General Obligation Refunding Bonds.
- approved a Memorandum of Agreement and Use of Facilities License Agreement with National University to offer their education programs and hold classes at the Rancho Bernardo Education Center.
- adopted Resolution No. 21-21604 authorizing the requirement of COVID-19 vaccinations for all Palomar College student athletes.
- adopted Resolution No. 21-21600 prohibiting travel to states as per the requirements of state Assembly Bill 1887.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

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Norma Miyamoto, *Secretary*
Christian Garcia, *Trustee*
Roberto Rodriguez, *Trustee*
Rachel Alazar, *Student Trustee*

SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT

Star Rivera-Lacey, 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.

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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