



PALOMAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



Board President



Roberto Rodriguez







Christian Garcia



Rachel Alazai Student Trustee



March 15, 2022

SPECIAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Public comment included statements regarding staffing vacancies in the Fiscal Department and concerns regarding face-to-face courses that were converted online for the spring semester.

Board President Miyamoto reported she attended the Paramedic 57 Cohort Graduation. She thanked everyone for their hard work in completing the ISER and preparing for the accreditation visit. She thanked Dr. Rivera-Lacey for leading and preparing the District for the accreditation visit. She concluded her report by sharing she would like to meet with more Palomar students and asked if Student Trustee Alazar could assist with facilitating any students interested in meeting with her.

Vice President Rodriguez expressed excitement seeing everyone on-site. He reported how he was impressed with the student work related to activities including Black History Month and Women's History Month. He concluded his report by how he would like the Governing Board to consider developing a similar DEI/Anti-Racism Resolution compared to the approved resolution by the Palomar College Faculty

Secretary Raju stated he attended the Comet Together event and met with the Student Life and Leadership Office. He shared how he met with ASG students and learned about the Student Health Center services for students. He thanked the Disability Resource Center for providing him with a tour of their renovated office. He concluded his report by sharing that he attend the Paramedic 57 Cohort Graduation and met with Faculty Senate.

Trustee Evilsizer stated he attended the Paramedic 57 Cohort Graduation. He shared how Board President Miyamoto and he were a part of an interview with the Accreditation Peer Review Team. He expressed gratitude for the District's efforts in completing the ISER. He concluded his report by sharing how he would like the Governing Board to develop a resolution related to supporting DEI and anti-racism efforts.

Trustee Garcia thanked Dr. Rivera-Lacey and Tom Medel for a tour of the Escondido Education Center. He stated how he hopes the Escondido Education Center can increase their enrollment within the Latinx community and ensure the Center is being used to its fullest capacity. He thanked Dr. Rivera-Lacey and Board President Miyamoto for meeting with him to discuss the State of the Budget.

Student Trustee Alazar congratulated all the recommended tenured faculty. She informed the Governing Board of an upcoming election for ASG and the Student Trustee position. She concluded her report by sharing that she attended the Comet Together event and thanked everyone for their support as the District transitions to on-site learning and services.

Superintendent/President Dr. Star Rivera-Lacey thanked everyone for their work related to accreditation and all the information that was prepared for the visit. She stated that she attended the Comet Together event and various Black History Month events. She shared that the District will be updating signage for all campuses and will be implementing these improvements in the coming months. She shared she will be meeting with other CEOs at the Symposium Conference in San Diego. She reported the Palomar College Foundation welcomed five new board members and approved a faculty innovation grant of \$5,000 to develop an Honor's Program at the College. Additionally, the Foundation Board celebrated net assets of \$16 million and the annual scholarship application process for students opens on March 7, 2022. She concluded her report by encouraging everyone to read her weekly email and follow her on social media.

BOARD ACTIONS

At its meeting on March I, 2022, the Board of Trustees:

- approved three agreements with the Foundation for Grossmont and Cuyamaca Colleges
- approved Resolution No. 21-21621 for the purchase and installation of FieldTurf Super Elite
- Rejected all bids received on the Athletics Stadiums Project, Bid 102-22, and authorized the District to rebid at a later date

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

Norma Miyamoto, President Roberto Rodriguez, Vice President Kartik Raju, Secretary Mark Evilsizer, Trustee Christian Garcia, Trustee Rachel Alazar, Student Trustee

SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT

Star Rivera-Lacey, Ph.D.

BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Meetings are scheduled to be held on the 1st Tuesday of the month in

Due to COVID-19 all meetings are currently held in a hybrid modality. Closed session 4:00 p.m. Open session 5:00 p.m.

April 5, 2022

May 3, 2022

June 7, 2022

July 5, 2022

August 2, 2022

September 6, 2022 October 4, 2022

November 1, 2022

December 6, 2022

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