

SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT'S GOVERNING BOARD MONTHLY UPDATE



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May 10, 2019

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

First Things First

The spring semester is quickly coming to a close! This is the time of year when we celebrate the successes of our students, programs, and services. In 2017-2018 our theme was “better together.” All of us had our own personal copy of Simon Sinek’s book, “Together is Better” to guide our planning and collaborations. In 2018-2019 we voted to continue the theme with “better together 2.0.” Throughout the campus it was evident we worked even better together focused on our three priorities: Diversity, Guided Pathways and Fiscal Stewardship.

We set goals to diversify our efforts in Instruction, Student Services, Human Resources, Finance and Administrative Services, Institutional Research and Planning, and Marketing, Communications, Public Affairs and, the Foundation. Each monthly report illustrated the intentionality and thoughtfulness to broaden our commitment to equity, inclusion and expanded partnerships.

The Guided Pathways initiative has helped us keep students at the center of our work as a learner-centered college. Our efforts have been data informed, creatively disruptive to the status quo but more importantly, designed with our students in mind. We will continue to complete the implementation of guided pathways with student success as the ultimate goal.

Fiscal stewardship has dominated the year with the advent of the new Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF). This has been a real rollercoaster ride. Fortunately, in the first iteration the District is among the “hold harmless” colleges which provides us with stability over the next three years. We have conducted a series of budget update workshops to provide a better understanding of the current version of the formula and, the short-term and long-term goals moving forward. The Executive team carried over 2017-2018 budget reductions and has engaged an IEPI Partnership Resource Team (PRT) to provide recommendations to strengthen our processes and efficiencies. We will continue to align expenditures with revenues to ensure the fiscal health of the district. Additionally, strategies to develop and expand alternative revenue streams will be recommended to the governing board.

CCLC Annual Trustee Conference

This year's League's Trustee Conference was one of the most informative, inspirational and focused on relevant issues facing California community colleges. The workshops included topics such as hiring employees and student workers with criminal records, strategies on diversifying faculty, updates on the new funding formula, the recommendations to address student basic needs, implementation of AB 705 and much more. The highlights from the conference were the keynote speakers, Dr. Lande Ajose, Senior Policy Advisor on Higher Education to Governor Gavin Newsom and Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart President, Amarillo College. Dr. Ajose provided insight into Governor Newsome's vision for the future of community colleges and key initiatives outlined in the 2019-2020 budget. Dr. Lowery-Hart presented Amarillo's "no excuses philosophy" and shared a riveting student video that had the room in tears. The philosophy aligned with the pathways model, integrated equity and inclusion, innovation and compassion all wrapped up with a "get to yes" bow on it!

The Association for Community College Trustees (ACCT) also presented on the importance of building strong relationships among the trustees and with the CEO and the national agenda on equity, diversity and inclusion.

San Diego North Economic Development Council (SDNEDC) Chairman's Dinner

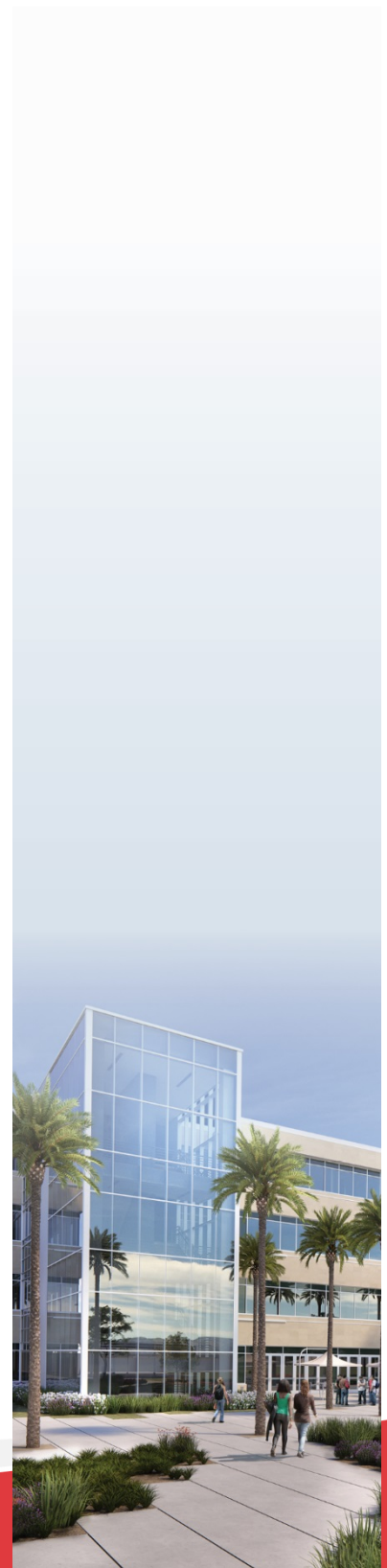
SDNEDC hosts a quarterly dinner to discuss issues facing the region. Invited include CEOs from the public and private sector as well as elected officials. The focus of this convening was the transportation issue in North County. The guest speaker was Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director of SANDAG. Mr. Ikhrata is recognized as one of the leading experts in transportation planning. The discussion focused on the controversial spending proposal related to tax revenue from TransNet for countywide transportation projects.

Palomar College will be hosting an upcoming SDNEDC meeting in the fall.

What's Upcoming?

As we finish up a productive year, we have an exciting 2019-2020 academic year ahead! A few areas of focus will be:

- *SCFF Action Plan
- *Exploration of a new bond
- *Finalization of Fallbrook Education Center and Athletic Complex
- *ME (math and English) First implementation
- *Guided Pathways
- *Development of Middle College high School Partnerships
- *Expansion of Workforce Partnerships



The votes have been tallied and next year, our theme will be: Explore the Possibilities. We are working on our logo and a book to help frame our conversations, culture and mindset. The Art of Possibility is one of my favorites, however, the jury is still out! Keeping with the theme, Norman Vincent Peale coined one of my favorite quotes:

“Become a **possibilitarian**. No matter how dark things seem to be or actually are, raise your sights and see possibilities — always see them, for they're always there.” ~ Norman Vincent Peale



OFFICE OF INSTRUCTION

Annual Public Safety event

On April 10, Palomar College hosted its annual Public Safety event for the north county community. Several agencies from the north county were invited to host a table and share with the community their services and opportunities in the field of public safety. The instructional programs for the Police Academy, the Fire Academy, and the Emergency Medical Education EMT and Paramedic programs were represented. Student Services was also represented by various areas. Our own College Police were giving tours of our new campus Police facility. We also had several community organizations present including the San Diego Police Department, the Mira Costa College Police, CSUSM College Police, San Diego Unified Police Department, Sprouts, and military police agencies. Mercy Air treated the attendees to an up-close landing in the parking lot and then allowed individuals to sit in the medivac unit for photo opportunities. Our own Sarah DeSimone, Director of our EME program is responsible for securing Mercy Air as she used to work as a medic for the hospital as well as in the military. The event was well attended and we look forward to hosting this again next year.



Breaking Down Barriers – Building Partnerships in Education Conference

Palomar College sent a team from Student Affairs and CTEE to the “Breaking Down Barriers – Building Partnerships in Education” conference at the Handlery Hotel in San



Diego on April 19. The conference had an equity focus for creating internal and external partnerships that would close the equity gap in our community colleges. The keynote speaker was Dr. Veronica A. K. Keiffer-Lewis who is an internationally sought after organizational equity and cultural humility specialist with close to three decades of experience as a diversity

trainer, coach, and consultant. Her keynote was informative and inspirational and included an activity that challenged participants to respond to scenarios that encouraged difficult conversations around our own biases as she coached us through techniques to address these biases while maintaining respect and dignity. Following the keynote address was a variety of workshops offered throughout the day focusing on Guided Pathways, Career Development, Apprenticeship, Basic Skills Research, all with the focus of closing the equity gap and transforming our institutions through developing equity-minded practitioners.

Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Training at Palomar

After a hosting a successful training at our Rancho Bernardo campus for faculty and staff

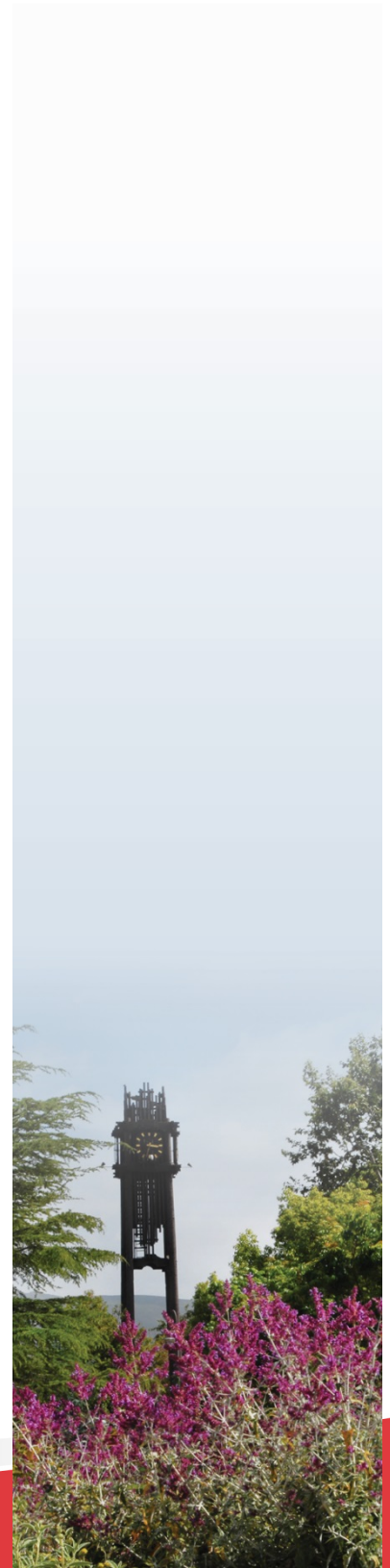


in January, the Child Development Department hosted another Stewards of Children - Darkness to Light child abuse prevention training on April 12 reaching over 50 students and faculty. Thank you to Kim Cardoso and The Palomar Health Foundation for bringing this important training seminar to our campus. Palomar Health thanked the Child Development department for hosting and bringing awareness to this issue and the Darkness to Light Training by presenting us with a framed picture that now hangs in our department hallway. The Child Development Department

looks forward to partnering again in the future and hopes to host next time during daytime hours and in coordination with other academic departments or programs on campus.

Palomar LIT Students Visit UCSD Geisel Library

On April 26, students and faculty from Palomar’s Library & Information Technology (LIT) Program visited the Geisel Library at the University of California, San Diego in La Jolla. Palomar’s LIT department chartered a bus for the trip to-and-from UCSD, where students attended presentations by UCSD Library staff, and received a tour of various public services spaces and behind-the-scenes staff work areas.



The visit began with a welcome from Associate University Librarian Tammy Dearie, a graduate of Palomar's library program, who opened the session with an overview of the Library that included facts about the facility and services. Next, there were presentations from other Library staff on the Library's different departments and functions, including space planning, human resources, student engagement, and collection selection, processing and management. Presenters shared information about their own backgrounds and paths to landing their jobs at the UCSD Library.



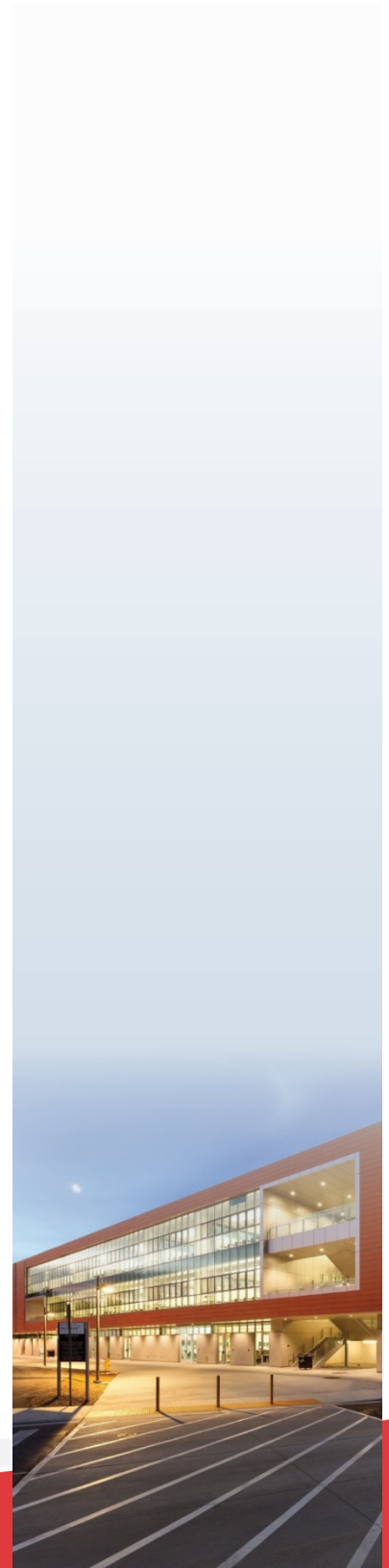
Following the presentations, the group received a tour of various public and staff-only areas of the Library, which included visits to the Special Collections & Archives reading room, the Digital Media Lab, and the large East Commons wing - a student study and work space open nearly 24/7 that contains enough individual seating, and private and group areas to accommodate hundreds of students. The Library also includes a café. Palomar students enjoyed the remainder of their time at UCSD visiting the campus with their classmates and professors.

The fieldtrip was an engaging, community-building activity that fulfilled Goal I, Objective I.2 of the College's Strategic Plan (Strategic Plan 2019 Year 3): *"Encourage and promote innovative instructional and student support practices and strategies focused on strengthening teaching and learning"*. Our department was able to support our distance education students in 'bringing to life' the profession they are training for in the online classroom. Informal comments made to the Coordinator indicate that this educational trip was a meaningful part of students' Palomar education, and enhanced the curriculum for instructors.

Funding for the chartered bus transportation to and from UCSD came from the Howard and Betty Jeanne Gross Memorial Endowment, a Library/LIT Foundation fund. This allowed LIT students to attend this trip at no charge.

Service Learning

Students from the morning NESL 972 (Basic Skills in ESL) classes have been involved in service learning projects as a part of their English language learning experience. These classes meet at the Fallbrook Education Center in the morning with instructor Sheri Cully. To join their Facebook group and to share in their community involvement, please click on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pcesl/members/>.



STUDENT SERVICES

Nutrition Center

- Handed out 1,883.5 pounds of food and 17 cases of water to other departments and Palomar campuses
- Handed out 1,425 pounds of food (including Starbucks pastries/sandwiches, produce, and bread) during our #PalomarEatsNow free farmers markets
- Handed out 1,830 diapers
- Gave 79 CalFresh referrals (emails, flyers)
- Handed out approximately 100 pounds of prepared “hot meals” which were donated from Sae Kitchen on 4/30/19
 - Including white and brown rice, ground beef, tilapia, salmon, steak, broccoli, chicken breast, and quinoa
- Assisted 265 individual visitors to the Food & Nutrition Center, with 826 visits.

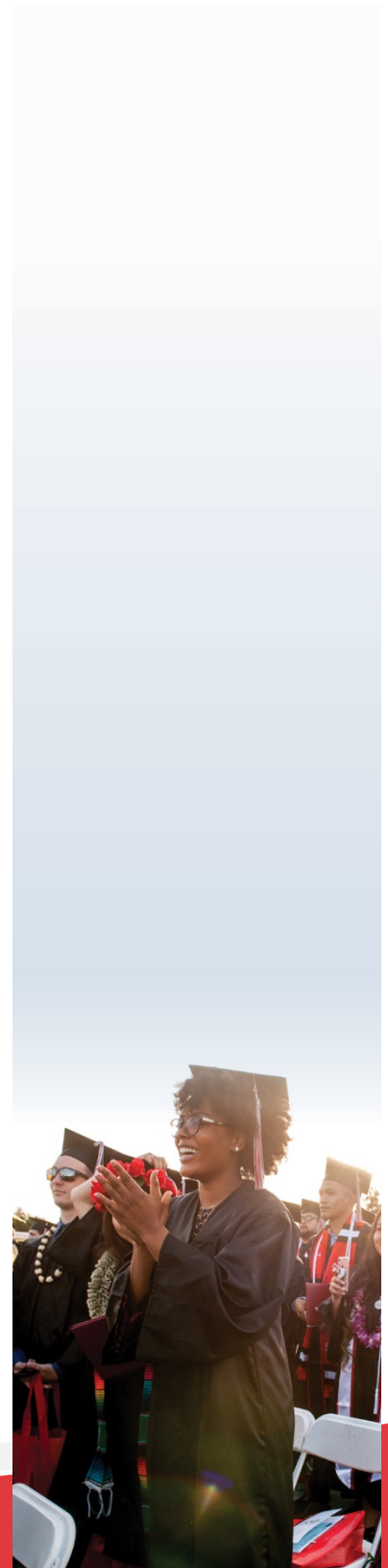
Student Affairs

Palomar College employees from the Office of Student Affairs attended the “College Support for Students who are Homeless” conference at San Diego State University. The conference was a discussion between San Diego colleges. Those present included Southwestern College, San Diego Mesa College, San Diego State University, and UC San Diego. The San Diego Food Bank introduced a recent study on the prevalence of homelessness and the demographics of those affected in college. Each college spoke on their current status in tackling and destigmatizing homelessness on their campus, and suggestions were given to each other for future collaboration.

The Office of Student Affairs assisted in making flyers, sending general email and displaying sandwich boards on campus for the SCION visit. Four sessions were held with the SCION representatives. The 10:00 a.m. session was recorded by Jim Odom (ETV manager) who is doing closed captioning and preparing to provide a link to be sent out to all faculty, staff and students for viewing next week.

OSA employees attended a conference in San Diego called “Breaking Down Barriers in Education” hosted by the California Community Colleges. Dr. Veronica Keiffer-Lewis, an organizational equity and cultural humility specialist, was the keynote speaker. Her discussion was influential and discussed various topics such as developing partnerships and collaborative networks, focusing on innovative practices and student outcomes, improving student success through equitable action, and rethinking education by social change and social justice. Overall, the conference provided our programs with enhanced understanding of cultural humility across the lifespan, peace and social justice praxis, equity change management, unconscious bias and oppression transformation, and attitudinal healing.

Employees also attended a Trauma Informed Care Conference in Anaheim that the Chancellor’s office recommended. The training was for those working directly with youth who have experience in the foster care system and/or who have experienced homelessness.



Student Health Centers

Dr. Patrick Savaiano, Psychologist, will start as Assistant Director, Behavioral Health on May 13. Dr. Savaiano will be introduced to the Board members during their May 14 meeting.

Judy Harris and Dr. Savaiano will be meeting with Neighborhood Healthcare Representatives on May 16 to discuss partnership/MOU to streamline student referral process for medical specialist, including Behavioral Health, services. Similar discussions were held this week with the COO from Vista Community Clinic.

Athletics

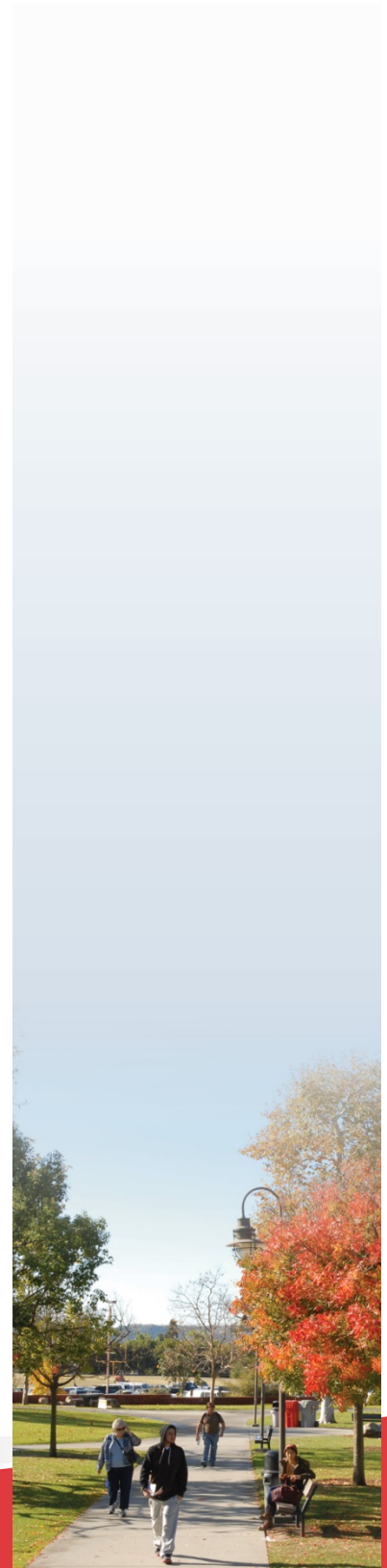
Women's Softball - under Head Coach Lacey Craft, the team won its' sixth-straight Pacific Coast Athletic Conference championship and earned a berth in the California Community College Athletic Association Southern California Regional Tournament as the No. 3 seed. This past weekend (May 3-4) the team defeated visiting Citrus College, 4-0 and 5-0 to advance to the second round, where the Comets will host sixth-seeded Antelope Valley College in a best-of-three games series May 10-11. If the Comets can defeat Antelope Valley, they will qualify for the eight-team CCCAA State Championship Tournament, scheduled for May 16-19 in Bakersfield.

Men's Golf – Guided by Head Coach Mark Halda, the 2019 Palomar College Men's Golf Team won the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference Championship, posting an impressive 44-4 conference win-loss record. The Comets qualified as a full team for the CCCAA Southern California Regional Tournament, conducted May 6 at Los Serranos Golf Course in Chino Hills. In that competition, sophomore Jacob Montes, the 2019 PCAC Player of the Year, posted a 36-hole score of 139 (seven under par) to stand as the regional medalist and qualify, along with teammate Kyle Hazlett, for the CCCAA State Championship Tournament, scheduled for May 13 at the Silverado Resort in Napa.

Women's Track and Field - Coached by Sonia Rodriguez, the 2019 Palomar College Women's Track and Field Team won the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference championship and has advanced seven of its' team members to the CCCAA Southern California Regional Finals Meet, scheduled for Saturday, May 11 at Riverside City College. Palomar's regional-finalist qualifiers include sophomores Tria Ismay (400M hurdles), Hannah Lopez (3,000M steeplechase) and Alicia Zappia-Neeley (long jump) and freshmen Maria Chaffin (5,000M), Ashley Duniphan (discus), Jessica Dutton (discus) and Jennifer Pedroza (heptathlete). All will be vying for qualification to the CCCAA State Championship Meet, scheduled for May 17-18 at the College of San Mateo.

Campus Police

On May 9, North County Gang Commission invited Palomar College Police Chief Moore and CSUSM Chief Ybaranso to meet and discuss ways to support formerly incarcerated student programs and measures to protect students on campus.



FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Recognition

We congratulate Carmen Coniglio, Senior Director of Fiscal Services, on being selected as one of two recipients of the *Frank L. Greathouse Government Accounting Scholarship*, awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association for excellence in state and local government financial management. Carmen will use the scholarship to complete her Master of Business Administration degree from Louisiana State University – Shreveport later this year.

Budget Update (Student Centered Funding Formula) Presentation

Finance and Administrative Services, in collaboration with Student Services and Instruction, presented detailed information to campus groups (including a town hall meeting) to illustrate the impact of the new Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF) on the District's budget and on the work of the institution across all areas. We can no longer focus only on full-time equivalent student (FTES) enrollment numbers when preparing our institutional budget and planning our work. We must be deliberate and thoughtful in planning strategies that will support our students in efficiently reaching their goals. This is reflected in a recent presentation at the Community College League of California (CCLC) Trustees Conference, entitled "Student Success, Enrollment, Retention and the New Funding Formula" in which the goal of the SCFF is described as encouraging progress toward the Vision for Success adopted by the Board of Governors, closing equity gaps in student outcomes, providing additional supports to students facing barriers to success, and adopting college structures under the Guided Pathways framework to help students achieve their goals.

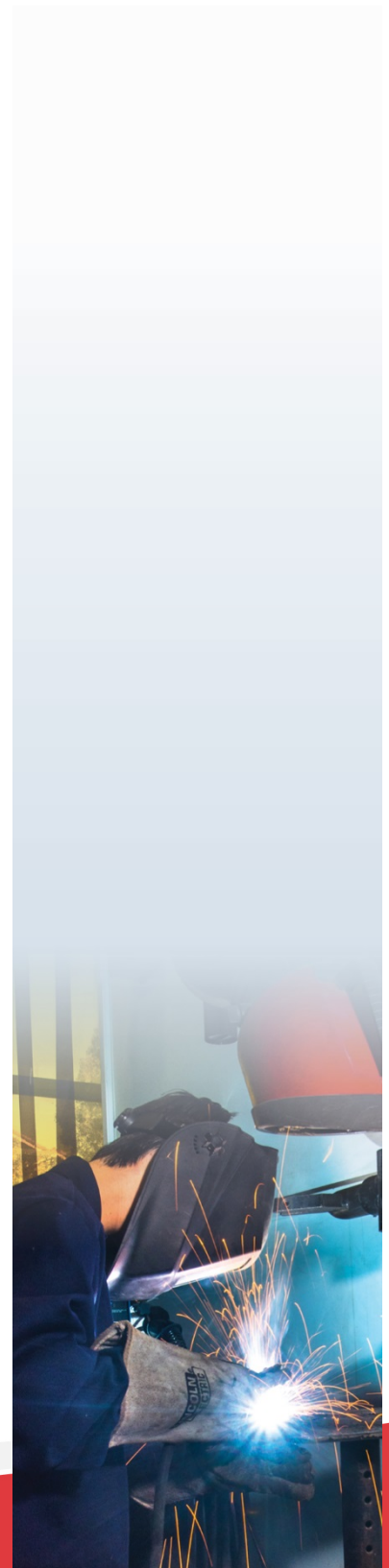
HUMAN RESOURCES

Recruitment/Vacancies

Human Resource Services (HRS) will be attending two job fair events on May 10, to include: 1) California Indian Manpower Consortium Career and Resource Fair, and; 2) Keeping the Promise 2019 Veterans job fair. HRS will also be sharing a table at three street fairs this month with our Marketing department. The street fair locations include Rancho Penasquitos, Escondido and Vista. Our goal in attending diverse events is to promote the College by sharing information on why applicants should apply/work here, and to bring in diverse, qualified candidates.

Below are the recruitment figures to date:

- 65 permanent recruitments in progress
 - 11 – Admin/CAST
 - 24 – Classified
 - 30 – Faculty (we're waiting on 2 more authorizations for the second Nursing and second EME positions)
- 67 part-time faculty recruitments in progress
 - 8 additional part-time faculty postings have closed and departments are still hiring from those application pools



New Employee Onboarding

HRS in conjunction with the HR Strategic Planning Council continues to explore and strengthen the onboarding of new employees. As a part of this process, HRS recently met with managers and supervisors to get feedback on what employees need within the first day through the first year of employment. The goal is to develop a comprehensive checklist for the new employee onboarding process to ensure that all employees get the information that they need to both acclimate to the new environment as well as feel welcomed. This checklist will be used by supervisors and the department to provide the most essential information needed for new employees to have the resources and tools needed to be successful in his/her new role. In addition, HRS is in the early stages of building a mentorship program in hopes that employees will feel connected and supported. The program's design is being constructed with the collaboration and feedback from each constituent group.

Benefits, Workers Compensation, Leaves, and Accommodations

The Benefits Office, along with BrightPath Consulting Services (BCS), will be hosting a face-to-face workshop about the new EyeMed vision benefits on May 10 at 11:30 a.m. in MD-157. The representatives from EyeMed will provide an overview of the new benefits and make themselves available for questions from people who may be having trouble navigating the new benefits. On May 16, the Benefits Office and BCS will host a webinar about high deductible health plans and health savings accounts. One of the District Benefits Specialist will host this workshop in SEC-119 on the Rancho Bernardo campus. A recording of the webinar will be made available to all employees on the Benefits Website. We will continue to provide this type of outreach at the Centers, with a goal of providing more support to our employees.

Finally, the Benefits Office is also working toward developing educational and readiness support systems to assist all employees and supervisors with the tools needed to understand leave options under the scope of the American with Disabilities (ADA) Act and the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). The intent is to ensure consistency of practice along with the information needed in order to engage in the required "interactive process" when employees are requesting to take leave based on non-work related medical concerns. The long-term goal of these efforts is to support any employee who may benefit from a possible reasonable accommodation so that he/she can return to work and not sustain further injury or to provide assistance and awareness in the event an employee cannot return.

RESEARCH AND PLANNING

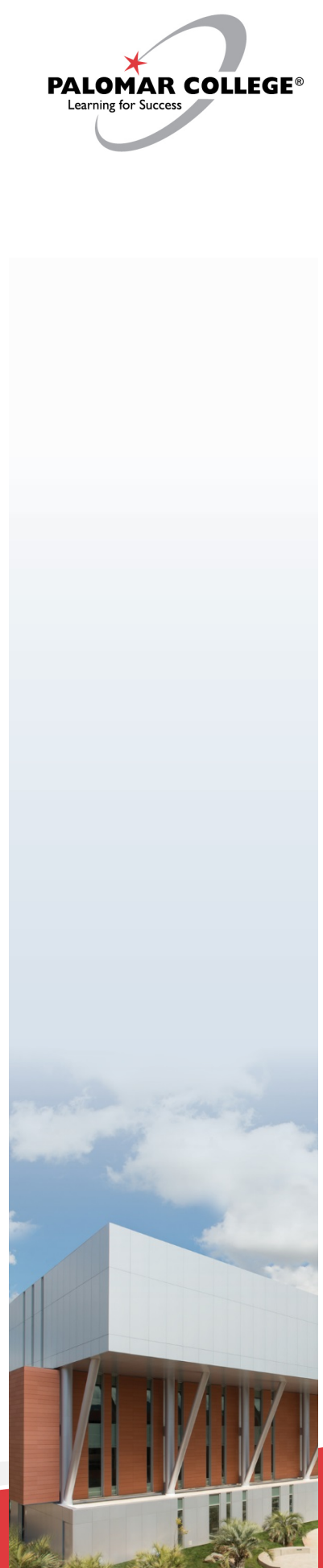
Accreditation

A team from Palomar College attended the ACCJC Partnerships in Excellence Conference. The conference included sessions on integrated planning, governance, assessment, equity, and best practices for navigating the self-evaluation process.

Integrated Planning

Vision for Success (VfS) and Equity Goals

The VfS and Equity Goals were shared with the Associated Student Government and the Faculty Senate. The Senate will take the next two weeks to discuss the VfS goals in more detail and then take action to accept them. They will then be forwarded to SPC



for an online vote. The Board will receive the VFS goals for action at its May 28 board meeting. Colleges are required to adopt goals in alignment with the system's goals by May 31, 2019. The Student Access and Equity Plan will go to the Board in June.

IEPI Partnership Resource Team (PRT)

In mid-April PRT sent a Menu of Options (MOO) for the College to consider for inclusion in its IEPI Effectiveness and Innovation plan. Utilizing recommendation from the team and considering the College's strategic priorities, the Sr. Director of IR&P worked with the Vice Presidents to develop a draft Institutional Innovation and Effectiveness Plan for the topic areas the College is addressing as part of this process. The PRT returned to the College in late April to discuss the development of the plan. The draft plan was revised based on the PRT meetings and shared with SPC at its last meeting in May. SPC made two suggestions focused on integrating equity and student voice into the action items. These changes will be incorporated into the plan and then submitted to IEPI. Once accepted, the College will receive \$250,000 to help implement the plan's action steps.

Included in the IEPI Institutional Innovation and Effectiveness plan is a call to review the College's governance and Integrated Planning Model. The SPC will engage in workshop(s) over the summer to complete this work.

Education Center Status

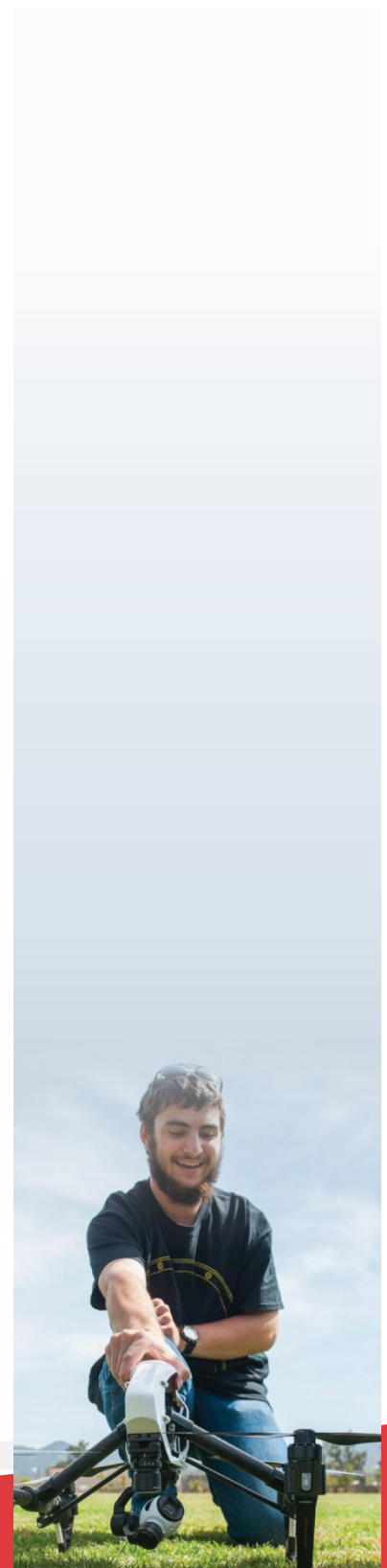
In April, the College submitted a request to the Chancellor's Office to move the Fallbrook Education Center Status from "Conditionally Approved" to "Approved."

Also in April, the College submitted to the Chancellor's Office, its Preliminary Notice and Letter of Intent requesting formal Center Status for the Rancho Bernardo Education Center. The Chancellor's Office has 90 days to respond and approve the College's request to submit the third document, a Needs Study, as part of this process. As the Rancho Bernardo Education Center currently generates over 500 FTES, it meets the threshold to be considered a Center. The Needs Study will be submitted by July 15, 2019 to ensure it is considered in this year's approval process. Once both Centers receive formal approval as centers, and then generate 1,000 FTES, the district will be eligible to receive approximately \$1.3 million dollars for each center in its base allocation. The College is working with Alma Strategies to prepare all aspects of this work.

Institutional Research and Planning

IR&P continues to work on preparing information for the Needs Study described above. The Office is also completing the DRC survey required for its report to the Chancellor's office and providing additional support for AB705 and Guided Pathways implementation.

Researchers have initiated two new studies of interest. The first study is an examination of our online student population. The second study is an assessment of the most difficult courses to successfully complete on-campus.



Grants

In April, IR&P worked with the Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences and a grant writer (funded through the Chancellor's office) to prepare and submit a grant to strengthen our online CTE programs. The proposal was submitted during the last week of April.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

Community and Media Relations

The Public Affairs Office worked on a number of media stories in April and the beginning of May, including articles covering the M&O Grand Opening, the USPS Cactus Stamp Series San Diego unveiling, summer enrollment, and the ManOne Dedication. The team will be working on coverage for the upcoming end-of-year celebrations including Honor's Night and Commencement.

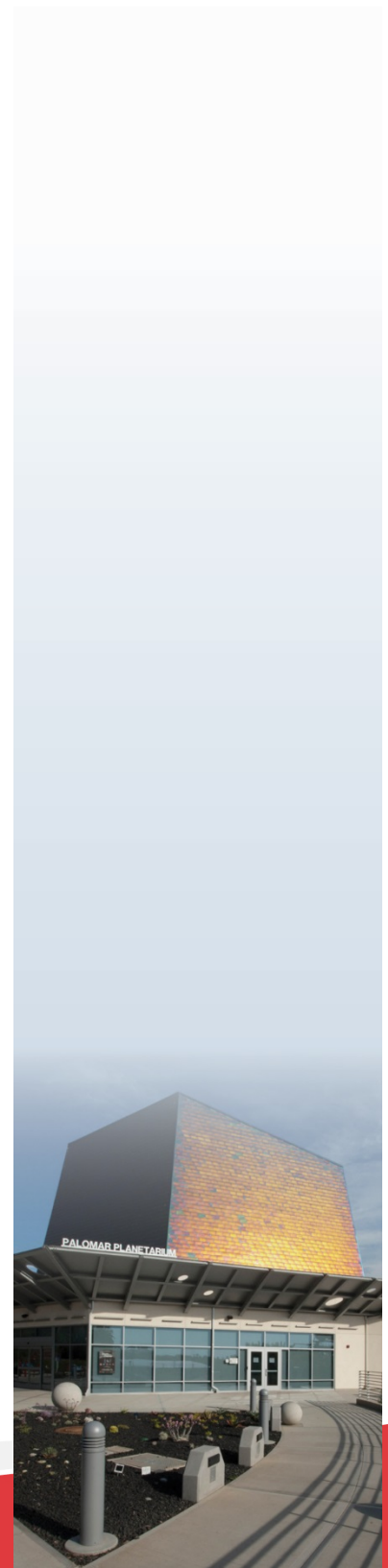
Palomar in the News

Below are examples of some of the stories that appeared in the media this past month:

<https://ncdailystar.com/palomar-alumna-serving-first-term-on-city-council/>
<http://thevistapress.com/united-states-postal-service-usps-forever-cactus-flowers-stamp-series-unveiling-ceremony/>
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<https://www.thecoastnews.com/usps-launches-cactus-stamp-series-at-palomar-college-succulent-garden/>
<https://www.valleycenter.com/articles/usps-unveils-stamp-series-at-palomars-cactus-garden/>
<http://thevistapress.com/summer-semester-enrollment-now-open-at-palomar-college/>
<https://ncdailystar.com/internationally-acclaimed-artist-man-one-at-the-san-marcos-campus/>

Internal/External Communications and Public Affairs

Three Minutes of News was distributed twice in April and again on May 3; there are two more editions scheduled before the end of this month. The *Palomar News* newsletter was also distributed on Friday, May 3. We continue to have a number of subscription requests for *Palomar News* – that publication is distributed using a third-party vendor and list development is only allowed through subscription inquiries and requests. We have averaged two to three subscription requests per week and the list continues to grow.



Marketing/Advertising/Promotion

Summer enrollment is under way and the summer marketing is in full-swing. The campaign includes a billboard on Bent Street (I-78) and at North County Fair. Additional bus ads can be seen around North County. Class schedules were delivered to District North County resident last month. Additional scheduled advertising includes social media paid ads (Facebook) as well as print ads in Vista and Fallbrook.

The PAO and Creative Services teams continue working on the 2019 Fall Class Schedule production. The cover for this version features two students in the architect program. The schedule will be sent to the printer mid-month, with home deliveries planned for the end of the month. A fall marketing and communications campaign is scheduled to start rolling-out mid-June.

FOUNDATION

Fundraising Activities

The Foundation will host the 13th annual President's Invitational Golf Classic on Monday, May 13 at Maderas Golf Club in Poway. The volunteer tournament committee's hard work and determination will deliver another BIG DRIVE this year to support student success — providing scholarships, textbooks, and emergency grants for Palomar College students. To date, the tournament committee and Foundation staff has secured over \$175,000 in sponsorship support from 50 sponsors — including six, first-time sponsors.

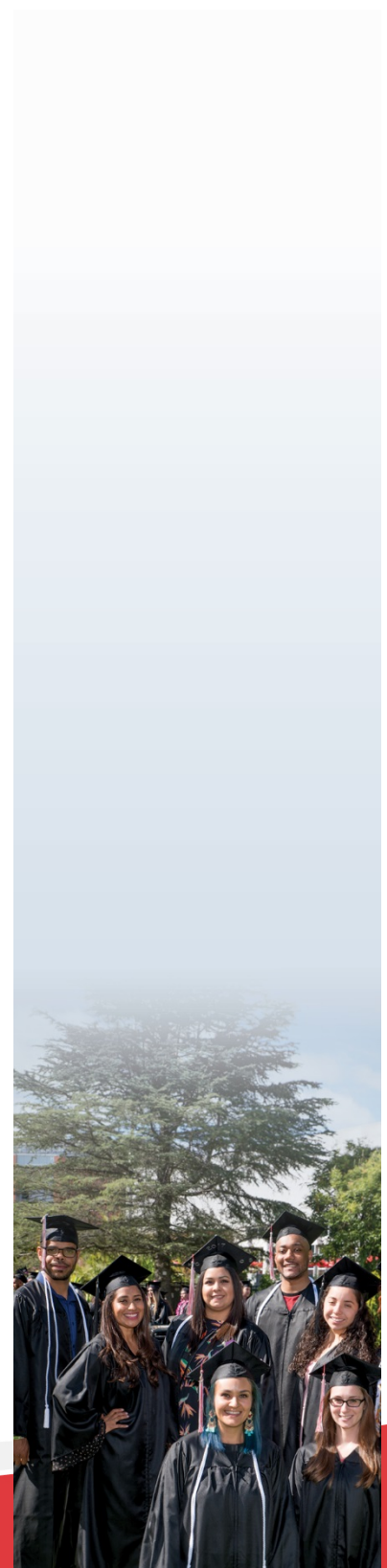
The Palomar College Foundation received confirmation of a grant award for \$20,000 from the County of San Diego (District 3 Kristin Gaspar) Neighborhood Reinvestment Program. The grant funds are for the purchase of state-of-the-art medical simulation equipment for the EME Program at the Escondido Education Center and textbooks for the Palomar Promise program.

The Foundation received a 2019 Inspiring Future Leaders grant from San Diego Gas & Electric in the amount of \$10,000 to support K-12 STEM outreach initiatives. This grant will be used to support the 4th annual STEM Conference to be held in the first quarter of 2020.

A new scholarship was established this month in partnership with The E. Grey Lockwood and Mary Etta Lockwood Family Trust. The Mary Etta Lockwood scholarship of \$13,120 will be awarded to students majoring in the arts, with a preference for those concentrating in watercolor and/or painting. The donor wishes for the scholarship to be disbursed in 10% increments of \$1,312, giving the fund a longevity of ten years.

The Foundation submitted a grant application to the Walter J. & Betty C. Zable Foundation requesting \$10,000 to support the Palomar College Transitions Program — *Changing Paths: Educational Opportunity for the Formerly Incarcerated*.

The Tri-City Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship Awards Night was held on April 24. Development Officer Kim Hartwell and Palomar College Faculty Karen Donovan attended on behalf of the Palomar College Foundation and the Nursing Program. The Tri-City Hospital Auxiliary awarded \$26,000 in scholarships to 32 students from Palomar College's Nursing Program.



The Palomar College Foundation President's Associates Spring Event was held at Stone Brewery in Escondido on Wednesday, April 22, featuring a festive reception and networking opportunity generously underwritten by Steve Wagner, President/ Chief Stone Culture Architect



(and Founder). Over 60 attendees enjoyed an inspiring program including comments by Stacy Rungaitis, an update from President Joi Lin Blake, a compelling testimonial from current Palomar College student Anthony White, and an invitation to join the President's Associates from Chairman, Pete Rogers. As a result, 10 guests showed interest in joining the President's Associates with four scheduled campus tours already in place.



Marketing & Community Engagement

Executive Director Stacy Rungaitis, President Blake as well as the Foundation team and board members attended several key community events allowing for significant community and donor engagement. These events included; Palomar College Shattered Dreams Premier on April 4 in the Howard Brubeck Theater; North County Health Services Gala on Saturday April 6 at the Westin Carlsbad Resort & Spa; North County Economic Summit on Wednesday April 10 at CSUSM and the San Marcos Boys & Girls Club Auction on Saturday, April 27 in San Marcos.



Donor Relations & Stewardship

Foundation Staff attended the San Diego Women's Week events held April 1-4 with Foundation supporters Diana Aaron from Datron Communications, Lety Banks from Abako Foundation and Marlene Rogers.

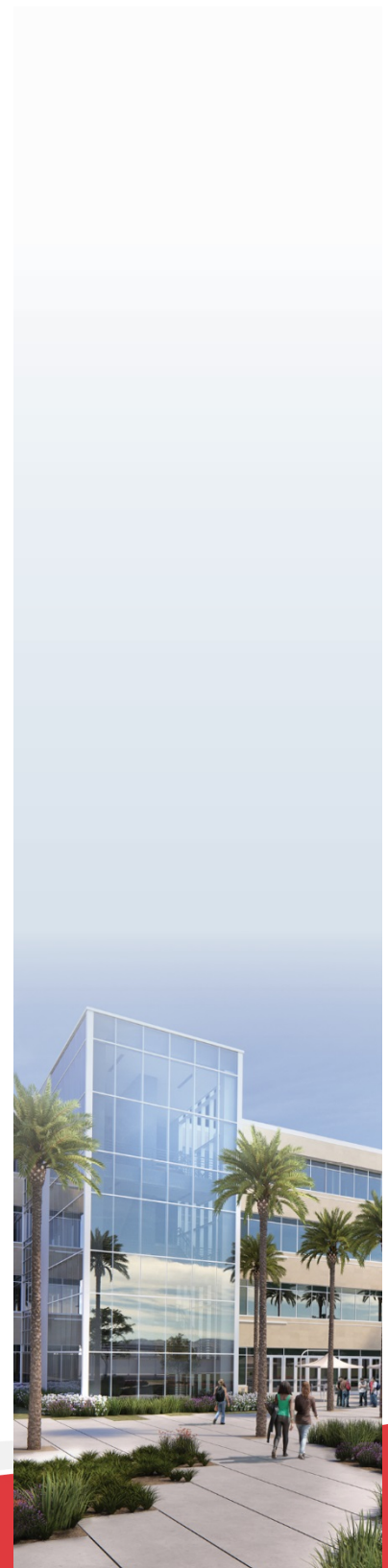
Dr. Blake, Stacy Rungaitis and Linda Moynan met with Foundation President's Associates member Vince Ross on Wednesday, April 4 at the Garden Center in Fallbrook. Vince is a loyal Palomar supporter helping to engage the community in our efforts in the region.



The first cohort of Palomar Promise students, 56 will graduate in May. This first group was funded by the Foundation. Special Palomar Promise stoles will be given to these students to wear at commencement.

Board and Staff Development / Infrastructure

The Foundation audit field work was completed in April. The auditor was pleased with the state of the Foundation's finances. The complete audit report will be available in early June.



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 10th 7:00 p.m.
MODA Fashion Show
SM Campus, Lot 9

May 13th 5:00 p.m.
Foundation Golf Classic
Maderas Golf Club, Poway

May 14th 1:00 p.m.
Mural Dedication event
SM Campus behind SU

May 16th 4:00 p.m.
Transfer Celebration
SM Campus P-32

May 16th 5:00 p.m.
Faculty Achievement Event
St. Mark's Golf Resort

May 20th 5:30 p.m.
Fire Fighter Academy Graduation
184 Santar Place

May 22nd 5:30 p.m.
Scholarship Honors Night
SM Campus, Student Union

May 23rd 10:00 a.m.
Cabinet & Furniture Technology
Awards Ceremony
SM Campus, "T" Building

May 23rd 5:00 p.m.
Nursing Class Pinning
SM Campus, Lot 9

May 24th 4:00 p.m.
VIP Reception
"A" Bldg Courtyard

May 24th 5:00 p.m.
Commencement
SM Campus

May 31st 12:00 p.m.
CalWORKs Recognition Ceremony
SM Campus, Student Union

June 8th 6:00 p.m.
CSUSM Gala
CSUSM campus

June 27th 6:00 p.m.
Paramedic Academy Graduation
Howard Brubeck Theatre

