



# INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



2018 – 2019  
ANNUAL REPORT



## A LETTER FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

*Dear Community Member,*

On November 7, 2006, voters in the Palomar Community College District approved a \$694 million facilities bond measure (Proposition M) under the rules established by Prop 39. Under the rules of Prop 39, an independent citizen's oversight committee (ICOC) was first established September 26, 2006. It is now my pleasure to present the 2018-2019 ICOC Annual Report. The District experienced a significant amount of construction activity in 2018-2019 within the Prop M projects, including completion of three new facilities and the Edwin and Frances Hunter Arboretum. This Annual Report is made available to District residents, in fulfillment of the role of the ICOC, as specified by law, and to provide a report on the investment activities accomplished.

The ICOC is responsible for reviewing expenditures to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only for the purposes set forth in Proposition M. To the best of its knowledge, the Committee reports the District is in full compliance with the responsibilities as described in Article XIII A of the California State Constitution. With this report, the ICOC members assure the community that Proposition M bond expenditures have been issued properly, and only for projects identified in the bond measure and that no measures or monies were used unlawfully for teacher and administration salaries or other operating expenses.

The members of the ICOC look forward to continuing our work with District staff. We thank you for your ongoing support and confidence in the Palomar Community College District and the vision it has for the future of education in North San Diego County and the region.

*Sincerely,*

*Glen Winn*

*Chair, Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee*

## 2018 - 2019 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Margo Cobian, *Member of a Community College Support Organization*

Michael Hunsaker, *Vice-Chair, Member of a Taxpayers' Association*

Athenea Luciano, *Member of a Local Business Organization*

Sarah Rosenfield, *Member of the Community-at-Large*

Beverly Ann Tolbert, *Member of a Senior Citizen Organization*

Glen Winn, *Chair, Community Member-at-large*

Amber Bancroft (Jul. '18 - Dec. '18), *Student Enrolled and Active in a Community College Support Organization*

Linus Smith (Jan. '19 - Jun. '19), *Student Enrolled and Active in a Community College Support Organization*

### JULY 2018 – DECEMBER 2019

#### GOVERNING BOARD

Paul P. McNamara, *President*

John J. Halcón, Ph.D., *Vice President*

Mark Evilsizer, *Secretary*

Nina Deerfield, *Trustee*

Nancy Ann Hensch, *Trustee*

Amber Bancroft, *Student Trustee*

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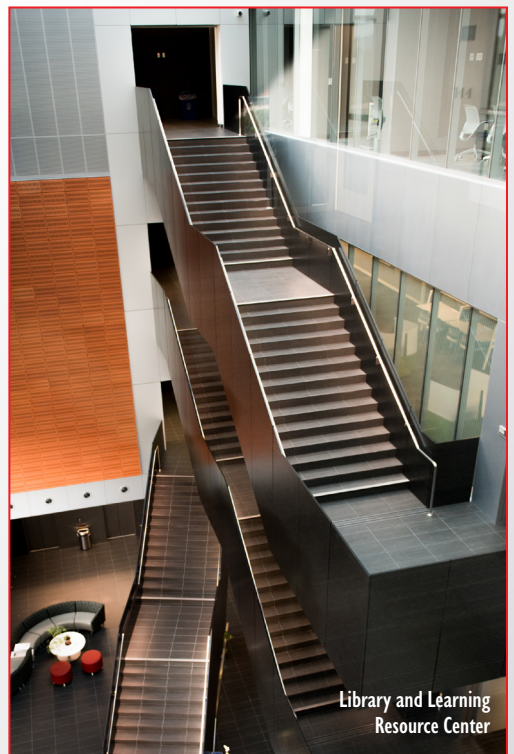
Nina Deerfield, *Trustee*

Norma Miyamoto, *Trustee*

Linus Smith, *Student Trustee*

### SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT

Joi Lin Blake, Ed.D.



# ABOUT PROPOSITION M

On November 7, 2006, voters in the District’s service area approved Proposition M, a \$694 million facilities bond measure, enabling the District to:

- Upgrade nursing and emergency medical career training labs
- Modernize outdated science, computer and job training labs/equipment
- Upgrade electrical and technology infrastructure
- Repair/replace deteriorated roofs, plumbing, lighting, heating and ventilation systems
- Improve energy efficiency
- Modernize/replace outdated classrooms and student support facilities
- Complete safety upgrades to College buildings and grounds

The Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee monitors the expenditure of funds from the Proposition M General Obligation Bond to ensure that bond revenues are expended only for the purposes described and that no bond funds are used for any faculty or administrative salaries or other operating expenses.

Proposition M was authorized pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution in accordance with the requirements of the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bond Act of 2000 (Prop 39).



## COMMITTEE ACTIVITY SUMMARY

The first Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee was appointed by the Palomar College Governing Board on May 8, 2007, and met five times during the 2007-2008 fiscal year. At these initial meetings, the Committee appointed its first Chair, reviewed bylaws and the roles and responsibilities of the ICOC. During the first year, the ICOC website was established ([palomar.edu/propm/icoc](http://palomar.edu/propm/icoc)) and construction projects and financial reports were reviewed.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee meets on a quarterly basis. All meetings are open to the public. Agendas and meeting minutes from all Committee meetings are available on the ICOC website at [palomar.edu/propm/icoc](http://palomar.edu/propm/icoc). All meetings are held on the San Marcos campus unless noted differently on the ICOC website. Meetings held or scheduled during the 2018-19 and the 2019-2020 fiscal years include:



HELD	SCHEDULED
September 7, 2018	September 6, 2019
December 7, 2018	December 6, 2019
March 1, 2019	March 6, 2020
June 7, 2019	July 10, 2020

Series A Bond Issuance

In May 2007, the Palomar Community College District issued Series A bonds in the amount of \$160 million. The bonds were sold with a qualified tax opinion and investors were restricted to approved institutional buyers.

Series B Bond Issuance

In November 2010, the Palomar Community College District issued Series B bonds in the amount of \$175 million. The bonds consisted of \$83.5 million in federally taxable Build America Bonds and \$91.5 million in tax-exempt General Obligation Bonds.

Series C Bond Issuance

In April 2015, the Palomar Community College District issued Series C bonds in the amount of \$220 million in tax-exempt General Obligation Bonds.

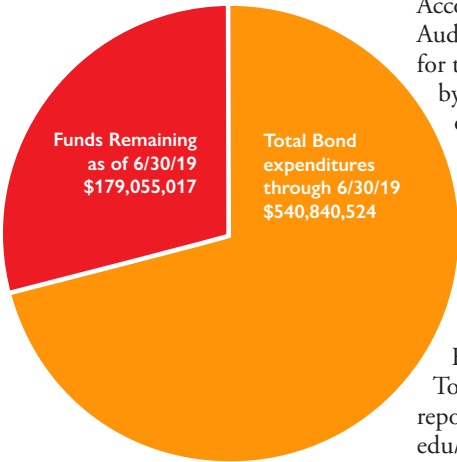
Series D Bond Issuance

In April 2017, the Palomar Community College District issued Series D bonds in the amount of \$139 million in tax-exempt General Obligation Bonds.

Total Bond monies available, including interest through 6/30/19

Palomar Community College District 2018-19 Prop M Financial Data

The firm of Eide Bailly LLP, Certified Public Accountants conducted the Financial and Performance Audits for proceeds and use of general obligation bonds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, as required by Proposition 39. Palomar received an “unmodified opinion” – the topmost audit opinion an entity can receive. The results of the procedure performed indicated that financial statements are presented in accordance with applicable financial reporting framework. The findings of our annual audit report emphasizes the District’s efforts to remain transparent and validates the success of internal controls established by the Palomar College Finance and Administrative Services Department. To view the complete independent accountant’s report, please visit <https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/propm/financial-and-performance-audits/>.



EXPENDITURES-TO-DATE

Rancho Bernardo Education Center	\$106,412,467	
Fallbrook Education Center	\$91,297,968	
Library & Learning Resource Center	\$63,141,674	
Humanities Building	\$50,341,708	
Parking Structure & Improvement Projects	\$37,137,531	
Theatre/Performing Arts Complex	\$22,682,300	
Information Services Projects	\$17,316,709	
Maintenance and Operations Buiding	\$17,145,305	
Early Childhood Education Lab Center	\$17,128,937	
T Building Renovation	\$16,026,308	
Other Costs	\$15,901,533	
Escondido Education Center Improvements	\$15,751,150	
Industrial Technology Center	\$13,829,425	
Health Sciences Building	\$11,156,530	
Baseball Field Complex	\$10,341,065	
Multimedia Lab & Planetarium	\$8,705,553	
Infrastructure Improvements	\$7,236,519	
Teaching & Learning Center	\$4,254,248	
Multidisciplinary Instructional Building	\$4,245,705	
San Marcos Land Acquisition	\$3,749,879	
Natural Sciences Building	\$3,554,257	
San Marcos Campus CEQA/EIR Study	\$2,171,550	
Project Management	\$1,312,191	
Grand Total	\$540,840,524	



## PROPOSITION M ACTIVITIES

- Rancho Bernardo and Fallbrook Education Centers welcomed students for the summer 2018 session.
- The remodel and storage project of the T-Building was initiated.
- Construction on the Police Building was completed and opened.
- Construction on the Maintenance and Operations building was completed and building opened.
- Construction on the Learning Resource Center and Library was completed and building opened.
- Redesign and redevelopment of the Edwin and Frances Hunter Arboretum was initiated.
- The design phases of the proposed athletics complex and permanent buildings at the Fallbrook Education Center continued.



## LEVERAGING OF THIS INVESTMENT

- The design and development of the Maintenance and Operations building has become recognized as a model and national leader in sustainable design, having earned nearly one dozen awards.
- New projects continue to participate in the San Diego Gas & Electric “Savings By Design” program for energy efficiency. Buildings that are complete and operational are scheduled to receive rebates.
- The District continues to implement LEED and Living Building Challenge standards on all buildings through sustainable design which includes the plan for all new buildings to be Net Zero Energy.
- The District continues to construct PV systems at all campus locations in an effort to reduce energy consumption thereby reducing operating expenditures.
- The District installed a new irrigation well that serves the Arboretum and is estimated to reduce the potable water consumption of the San Marcos campus by approximately 25%.



# PALOMAR COLLEGE MISSION

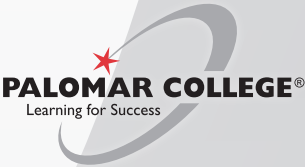
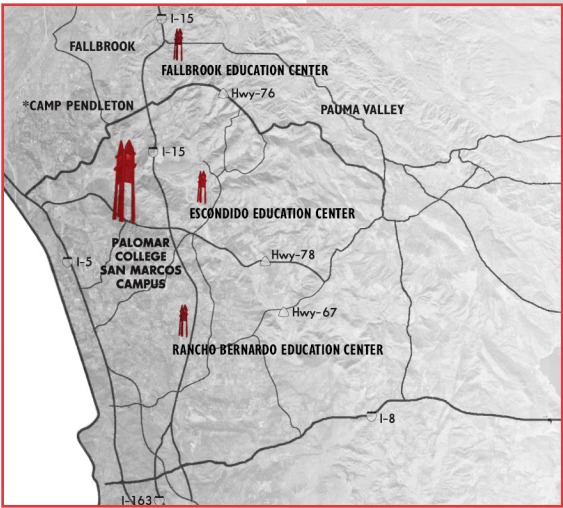
Our mission is to provide an engaging teaching and learning environment for students of diverse origins, experiences, needs, abilities, and goals. As a comprehensive college, we support and encourage students who are pursuing transfer-readiness, general education, basic skills, career and technical training, aesthetic and cultural enrichment, and lifelong education. We are committed to promoting the learning outcomes necessary for our students to contribute as individuals and global citizens living responsibly, effectively, and creatively in an interdependent and changing world.

## VISION

Learning for Success

## ABOUT THE DISTRICT

Palomar College has been providing quality education to its District’s residents for over 70 years. Our San Marcos campus is supplemented by educational centers in Escondido, Fallbrook, and Rancho Bernardo as well as smaller sites within the 2,500 square mile District. Palomar College offers over 200 associate degree and certificate programs and serves more than 25,000 students each semester.



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