PALOMAR COLLEGE – EDUCATIONAL MASTER PLAN PROJECT MARCH 2018 UPDATE

Palomar College is now very engaged in its 2018 Educational Master Plan Update. The EMP Steering Committee held its first meeting on March 13th, meeting with both the Educational Master Plan consultant team from the Collaborative Brain Trust, and the Facilities Master Plan consultant team from HMC Architects. Also in early March, these consultant teams met with key stakeholder groups at the College, including the following:

- Strategic Planning Council
- Instructional Planning Council
- Student Services Planning Council
- Finance and Administrative Services Planning Council
- Human Resource Services Planning Council
- Executive Cabinet
- President's Cabinet
- Budget Committee
- Faculty Senate
- Administrative and Confidential Staff
- Classified Staff
- Strategic Enrollment Advisory Committee

Additionally, visioning meetings were held with the President and each Vice President, and the teams met with students and with representatives from Facilities, Information Systems, and Research. In all of the above sessions there was valuable dialogue about the state of the College, and changes in the student body, College, and service region since the 2010 Update. Also explored were viewpoints about the future and the needs of the College in looking forward over the next 3-5 years at educational and facilities needs on the horizon.

During the next few months the teams will be looking at both quantitative and qualitative data that will inform decision-making for the future, and these will be reflected in the 2018 Update. Among these data are internal and external environmental scans, and results of student and employer surveys recently completed. The teams will be on campus again on May 8-9, will conduct listening sessions with external stakeholders and students, and will meet again with the EMP Steering Committee.

The EMP Steering Committee will meet monthly throughout the project and keep planning councils and constituent groups updated on the project as it progresses. The EMP website will remain live throughout the project, providing open, anytime access to current information and progress on the project, as well as monthly updates such as this one. Anyone wishing to provide input is encouraged to do so through their planning council and shared governance representatives, and/or through the input tab on the EMP web page.