

# Board Highlights



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### Mission Statement

Citrus College delivers high quality instruction to students both within and beyond traditional geographic boundaries. We are dedicated to fostering a diverse educational community and learning environment by providing an open and welcoming culture that supports successful completion of transfer, career/technical education, and basic skills development. We demonstrate our commitment to academic excellence and student success by continuously assessing student learning and institutional effectiveness.

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## REPORTS

### Superintendent/President

Dr. Geraldine M. Perri, superintendent/president, was pleased to announce that Citrus College won two awards from the Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO). The college received a first place award for its Convocation video and a second place award for its Veterans Program video. Dr. Perri thanked Ms. Paula Green, director of communications, and Ms. Stacy Armstrong, publications specialist, for their work on these award-winning videos.

The Registered Dental Assisting program has just completed a successful accreditation site visit. Dr. Perri said the successful visit represents a great deal of work, and she commended Ms. Claudia Pohl and the dental assisting faculty for their professionalism and dedication to the program.

In April, Dr. Perri attended the Glendora Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year event, which honored Mr. Thom Hill. Mr. Hill was formerly the dean of administrative and cultural services and a faculty member at Citrus College.

Dr. Perri congratulated Dr. Bruce Solheim, history instructor, on being selected as Citrus College's Distinguished Faculty Award recipient for the year. Dr. Perri said Dr. Solheim has gone above and beyond in serving the college's student veterans.

Dr. Perri said this is the last board meeting for Student Trustee Crescencio Calderon. She thanked him for his vision and leadership. She also thanked him for showcasing many Citrus College student success stories, and she wished him well in his future educational and career pursuits.

### Academic Affairs

Dr. Irene Malmgren, vice president of academic affairs, reported on the Citrus Singers' weeklong tour of New York City. They had the opportunity to perform several concerts and attend Broadway productions. They also connected with former Citrus Singers who are now working in the industry.

On April 29, Ms. Patty Glover, cosmetology instructor, and a team of Cosmetology students served as theatrical make-up artists for the "Every 15 Minutes" program at San Dimas High School. "Every 15 Minutes" is the mortality rate of individuals who die while driving impaired or texting. Dr. Malmgren said San Dimas High School greatly appreciated their participation.

Dr. Malmgren said the *Clarion* staff received a number of awards at the Journalism Association of Community Colleges (JACC) state convention. This year, they won in a new category, video journalism.

Dr. Malmgren said Dr. Eric Rabitoy, dean of physical and natural sciences and library, and Mr. Jim Lancaster, dean of career, technical and continuing education, are working together to facilitate a cross-discipline project. Ms. Lucia Riderer, physics instructor, and Mr. Mariano Rubio, automotive instructor, are recruiting a team of students to design and build a car that will go the farthest on the least amount of fuel for the Shell Eco-marathon Competition.

Dr. Malmgren announced that Dr. Gailynn White has successfully defended her dissertation.

### Student Services

Dr. Lucinda Over, dean of counseling programs and services, said counselors and advisors performed a graduation check for 265 students who completed 50 units or more. Each student was contacted and encouraged to sign a graduation application. They will also contact students who meet other criteria but need a few more classes.

The number of Citrus College students applying to and being accepted by the University of California, Berkeley this year has increased significantly as compared to last year. Dr. Over credited the increase, in part, to increased training for counselors and the collegewide efforts to be a "College of Completion."

## COMMENTS

### Academic Senate

Mr. James Woolum, academic senate president, reported on the Student Success Scorecard. Mr. Woolum made a number of observations, including the fact that the first scorecard reflects data from a cohort formed in 2006-2007, which was tracked for six years. It does not fully reflect the impact of several programs initiated during the evaluation period. He also said, due to the small size of the cohort, it is anticipated that some measures of success may not be captured.

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## Classified School Employees Association

Mr. Robert Coutts, classified school employees association (CSEA) president, was pleased to report that Area G held their membership recognition event. Senator Ed Hernandez attended the event and presented plaques to those being honored.

Mr. Coutts thanked the Board of Trustees, Dr. Perri, CCFA, the Management Team and the Supervisor/Confidential Team for hosting the Classified Breakfast and the Pizza Lunch for evening staff. The event, "Surf's Up!", will take place on May 24.

The CSEA Chapter is preparing for their membership meeting on May 14, where they will be recruiting volunteers for a committee to review the experience and education requirements listed in bargaining unit job descriptions.

## Members of the Board of Trustees

Student Trustee Calderon said it has been a great pleasure to serve as the students' representative on the Citrus College Board of Trustees. He thanked the board and Dr. Perri for the wonderful experience.

Student Trustee Calderon reported on Springfest 2013. The theme was "Citrus Palooza," and it featured music, games, food trucks and club booths.

Student Trustee Calderon provided the student success story of Ms. Mariana Vega, the incoming student trustee. Ms. Vega is a first generation college student who was overwhelmed by the process of applying to four-year universities. She enrolled at Citrus College and quickly became involved in campus life, joining Latinos Unidos Students Association (LUSA) and getting involved in ASCC. She believes Citrus College has helped her to develop both academically and personally.

Board President Keith thanked Student Trustee Calderon for all he has done during his tenure as student trustee. She said she is confident he will do great things in the world. Student Trustee Calderon was accepted to UC Berkeley and UCLA, and he is looking forward to being a "Bruin" next fall.

Trustee Joanne Montgomery, board clerk/secretary, reported on several recent events. She attended the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership meeting featuring Senator Ed Hernandez; the Duarte Education Foundation event, "Music Matters," and a Glendora Kiwaniannes Tea, where the Foundation hosted a table. She also attended the Community College League of California (CCLC) Trustees Conference, which featured many informative sessions. CCLC presented longevity awards to several trustees, and Trustee Gary L. Woods, board member, was honored for 30 years of service. Trustee Montgomery announced that the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Don Montgomery Golf Tournament will be held on May 17.

Trustee Montgomery attended sabbatical presentations by Ms. Pohl and Dr. Solheim. She said it is exciting to learn about the great work they are doing.

Trustee Montgomery said it is difficult to say "goodbye" to Student Trustee Calderon. She thanked him for his excellent work.

Trustee Patricia Rasmussen, board vice president, attended a San Gabriel Valley Public Affairs Network meeting featuring Congresswoman Grace Napolitano and Congresswoman Gloria Negrete McLeod. She said both Congresswomen are interested in veterans issues.

Trustee Rasmussen reported on the Foundation board meeting. She said they viewed a video about the Rocket Owls and learned that a Citrus College honors student will present a research paper at Stanford. The Foundation plans to award 24 Bright Futures Scholarships, and it will also award several mini grants to faculty. They heard an update on the college's Centennial Celebration plans and a report on web-giving.

Trustee Rasmussen attended a HPAC performance of *Legally Blonde*. She said it was very entertaining, and the costumes and music done by Citrus College students were stellar. She gave kudos to Mr. John Vaughan, Interim Director of the Haugh Performing Arts Center; and Mr. Douglas Austin, music instructor.

Trustee Edward C. Ortell, board member, said Dr. David Viar has been selected as Glendale Community College's new superintendent/president. Dr. Viar was formerly the executive director of CCLC and someone that Citrus College board members have worked with for many years. Trustee Ortell commented that there are a large number of new bills working their way through the legislative process, and he believes Dr. Viar will be an asset for SanFACC's advocacy efforts in Sacramento.

Board President Keith reported on the CCLC conference. There were a number of timely session topics including accreditation, the Student Success Scorecard and MOOCs (massive open online courses). She said the consensus is that MOOCs are certain to impact higher education, and community college leaders need to be included in the discussion.

Board President Keith said it is exciting to see the launch of the Foundation's President's Circle, and she thanked Dr. Perri and Ms. Christina Garcia, director of development and alumni relations, for coordinating the kickoff reception.

## COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Art Morales, Azusa resident and Citrus College alumnus, commented on the availability of parking on campus and the lighting near the marquee on Citrus Avenue. He also recounted his experience as a Citrus College student.

## INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

On behalf of Dr. Martha McDonald, dean of students, Dr. Over presented a Campus Safety Update. The update included information on emergency preparedness and parking.

Ms. Garcia presented background on the Distinguished Alumni Award. Mr. Eric Magallon, alumni association president, announced the names of the winners for 2013 and provided information about their service to the community. The honorees are: Ms. Phyllis Fritz, Ms. Laura Bollinger and Dr. Bo (Bernard) Bollinger.

Dr. Lan Hao, director of institutional research, made a presentation on the new 2013 Accountability Reporting for the Community Colleges (ARCC), which has been modified and is now called the Student Success Scorecard.

Mrs. Carol R. Horton, vice president of finance and administrative services, commented on revisions to administrative procedures for AP 6550, disposal of district property, and AP 3560, alcoholic beverages.

## BOARD ACTION

The board approved 11 action items, including the Quarterly Financial Status Report for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2013, and a resolution to order the Biennial Governing Board Election for Tuesday, November 5, 2013.