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Governing Board Regular Meeting of November 12, 2025

The Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) Governing Board conducted a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, beginning at 5:00 p.m., followed by closed session, and continuation of the public session at 6:00 p.m.

Veterans Day Resolution, Presentation by Sentinels of Freedom

The Governing Board approved the Resolution recognizing and saluting all veterans and people currently serving in the Armed Forces around the world, our employee veterans for their contribution to success, and our student veterans enrolled in our colleges for their commitment and perseverance in completing their higher education goals. Chairman and CEO of Sentinels of Freedom Mike Conklin provided an update regarding the student veterans centers, which were established at all three 4CD colleges 10 years ago. These centers have served as a sanctuary for study, collaboration, and community projects.

4CD Outreach Activities and Best Practices

Executive Vice Chancellor, Education and Technology Kelly Schelin was joined by Joel Nickelson Shanks of CCC, Mercy Pono of DVC, and Nicole Almassey of LMC in presenting information about Districtwide outreach strategies and activities. They emphasized high-impact practices that support recruitment and onboarding of high school students across three key areas: external events and community engagement; on-campus experiences; and strategic communication and partnerships.

High School Graduate Study Shared

The Governing Board reviewed the annual High School Graduate Study, which summarized enrollment and success data for recent high school graduates from local K-12 school districts and provided multi-year early college credit enrollment trends by 4CD college.

Honoring Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Teacher of the Year

The Governing Board congratulated CCC Professor Mark Wong, who earned the 2025 Faculty Member Award for the Pacific Region by the ACCT and was recently recognized at the ACCT's national conference in October. Professor Wong was one of five educators nationwide selected to receive this award.

Resolution Honoring Native American Heritage Month

The Governing Board approved the Resolution declaring November as Native American Heritage Month. Native Americans presently make up 0.4 percent of 4CD's full- and part-time employees, including its student employees, and 0.1 percent of 4CD's student population. 4CD continues to foster a community which embraces diversity, equity, inclusion, a sense of belonging and accessibility, and caring and compassion for everyone.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of **Patricia Derickson**, retired DVC fine arts division secretary.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
WILL BE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M.**