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District's 4CDLI Begins



Governing Board members' Dr. Anthony Gordon and John Nejedly were part of the welcoming committee to recognize and congratulate the first cohort of the Contra Costa Community College District Leadership Institute (4CDLI).

The program is designed to offer participants the opportunity to learn and refine their skills while building the District's future leadership capabilities.

"I found the first meeting to be very beneficial," said CCC's Counseling Department/Matriculation Faculty Coordinator **Kenyetta Tribble**. "I felt a sense of collegiality throughout the day and know this is a great opportunity for my professional and personal growth. I even walked away with knowledge that I can implement now in my every day interactions with others."

The inaugural cohort of the 4CDLI program will complete their program in May 2010.



District Co-Sponsors County Dialogue on Education



The Contra Costa Community College District recently joined the Contra Costa County Office of Education in hosting an educational discussion on the future of education in the county featuring futurist Dr. Mark Milliron. The event brought K-12 and higher education leaders throughout the county to hear about the technological, cultural and student demographic changes we will face in successfully educating current and future students.

“Dr. Milliron offered a glimpse of the future that will be challenging for us in education,” says Vice Chancellor, Districtwide Planning and Educational Services’ **Dr. Deborah Blue**. “It was a wonderful opportunity to think outside of the box and begin the conversation of how do we respond to these imminent changes.”

Chancellor’s Cabinet will be evaluating potential next steps for the District and explore collaborations with other higher education institutions throughout the county.

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2009 Bond Measure Annual Report Now Available



Postcards have been sent to over 390,000 households and businesses in Contra Costa County announcing the arrival of the 2009 Citizens' Oversight Committee's Annual Report to the Community.

The annual bond report is a mandated communication that thanks the community for their support of Measure A (2002) and Measure A (2006) funds, and provides a citizens' review that substantiates spending is consistent with the original bond intent.

English and Spanish versions of the report can be viewed on our website www.4cd.edu and Facebook page- keyword search: *Contra Costa Community College District*.

Special thanks to **Rosa Armendariz** (LMC), **Ileana Dorn** (DVC), **Martha Estrada** (DO) and **Brenda Jerez** (DVC) for assisting in the Spanish version translation.

Daniel Abbott Nominated to National DUG Board



Daniel Abbott was recently elected to the National Datatel Users Group (DUG) Board of Directors for a three year term. He will represent the District and over 760 other higher education institutions that use the Datatel software.

DUG provides opportunities for employees of organizations that utilize Datatel software products to share ideas, network with other DUG members, advocate for product and service improvements, and develop their own professional skills.

"I am extremely proud of Daniel's election to the DUG Board," says Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer **Mojdeh Mehdizadeh**. "This opportunity provides an excellent leadership growth opportunity for him, and helps the District to have a more prominent voice in Datatel's future directions related to their software and services."

Daniel will officially begin his term in March after the annual 2010 DUG Conference and Expo.

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Visits to State Legislators



(L-R) Governing Board member Sheila Grilli, Chancellor **Helen Benjamin**, Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan, and Director of Communications and Community Relations **Tim Leong**



(L-R) Director of Communications and Community Relations **Tim Leong**, Assemblywoman Nancy Skinner, Chancellor **Helen Benjamin**, and Governing Board member Sheila Grilli

Governing Board member Sheila Grilli, Chancellor **Helen Benjamin**, and Director of Communications and Community Relations **Tim Leong** visited state legislative representatives last month as part of Community College League of California's Legislative Conference. In addition to Assemblywoman Joan Buchanan and Assemblywoman Nancy Skinner, meetings were also held with State Senator Loni Hancock and State Senator Mark DeSaulnier to share how budget reductions are impacting the District.

Introducing New District Employees

Please welcome the following new employees who were approved by the Governing Board in January.

Location	Name	Title
DVC	Gian Achen	Media Services Technician II
LMC	Jamila Brown	Financial Aid Assistant II
LMC	Allison Carlson	Math Laboratory Coordinator
DVC	Joan Dowd	Science Laboratory Technician II
DVC	Kimberly Tucker	Child Care Center Assistant
District Office	David Wetmore	Senior Buyer
District Office	Bruce Wilke	Capital Projects Manager
DVC	Carol Yacorzynski	Senior Account Clerk

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January 2010 Board Report

To review highlights of the January 27, 2010 Governing Board meeting, click on the link below:

http://www.4cd.net/crpa/board_reports/Forms/AllItems.aspx

January 2010 Cabinet Highlights

To review highlights of the January 2010 Chancellor's Cabinet meetings, click on the link below:

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