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Governing Board Welcomes New Student Trustee

ew Governing Board Student Trustee Jessica Cisneros is a Diablo Valley College (DVC) Political Science major preparing to transfer to UCD or UCLA. She remains active in several DVC clubs and organizations including the Latino Student Alliance, the Veterans Alliance, the Women's Empowerment Club, business fraternity PHI BETA LAMBDA, the DVC diversity committee and the Puente Project where she continues to give to her community, develop her leadership skills, and mentor new club members. Her duties within these clubs consist of organizing fundraisers, developing strategic plans for club growth and maintaining the clubs visibility.



DVC student Jessica Cisneros was sworn in as the new Student Trustee at the June 27, 2017 Governing Board meeting.

Jessica's political experience includes participating in the Young Democrats of Contra Costa County and interning for the Mae Torlakson campaign during the fall 2016 election. These experiences have enabled her to work with diverse populations, helping marginalized students achieve their educational and lifetime goals through empowerment while developing her leadership traits and character strengths. Through her involvement, Jessica has developed a passion for listening, advocating for the needs of students and her community and acknowledging similar and divergent points of view for problem solutions.

District Office Student Interns

The District Office rarely receives student visitors, but this summer proved different as several students are completing internships at the Martinez office. Working in the Communications and Community Relations department, Lorenzo Morotti of Contra Costa College (CCC) and Veronica Hanel of Los Medanos College (LMC) acted as Social Media/Marketing interns for the District.

After graduating from LMC, Hanel received her Bachelor's degree from University of California, Berkeley and has returned to LMC to pursue a certificate in Graphic Design. Morotti's experience as a Journalism student and editor of CCC's student newspaper proved useful as he engaged in interviewing, photography and communications-related tasks during the internship. Having graduated from CCC this past spring, Morotti will be attending San Francisco State University in the fall, where he will pursue a Bachelor's degree in Journalism.

As a Diablo Valley College (DVC) Information Technology (IT) student, TaeWoo Kim was happy to secure a position through DVC. "This is technically an on-campus job, and as an international student



This summer, the District Office was joined by several interns representing all three colleges: (left to right) Dominic Jimenez, TaeWoo Kim, Veronica Hanel and Lorenzo Morotti.

it is hard to get an off-campus job," Kim said. "I was glad that I could not only work for my school, but I'd be able to help the other two schools (in the District) as well."

Dominic Jimenez is a History major at DVC who just happened to stumble across a Payroll internship job posting. Though he didn't have Payroll experience, he applied anyway and has enjoyed the position so far.

Several of the student interns joined the District as student workers, while others participated in the Cooperative Work Experience Education (CWEE) program, which allows students to enroll in a credit bearing course designed to introduce students to real world learning experiences through internships.





Dave Wetmore, Director of Purchasing at the District Office, was one of many participants who helped the District win the Perpetual Fitness Award.

District Wins Perpetual Fitness Award

The District has won the Perpetual Fitness Award for completing the highest average number of miles per participant in the 100 Mile Fitness Challenge. The competition, hosted by the Contra Costa County Schools Insurance Group, attracted 33 employees districtwide and ran from March 13 – May 7, 2017.

The award itself includes the names of previous winners from the last three challenges and will stay in the District's possession until fall 2017, when the new competition commences and a new district winner is awarded.

Carlos-Manuel	Chavarria	CCC
Andrew	Kuo	CCC
Patricia	Herrera	CCC
Mikel	Jackson	CCC
Gloria	Pharn	CCC
Sara	Marcellino	CCC
Maricela	zambrano	CCC
Jackie	Lopez	CCC
Gene	Huff	DST
David	Wetmore	DST
Cindy	Goga	DST
Bryan	Clarkson	DVC
David	Hagerty	DVC
Jean	Chiar	DVC
Nicole	Johnson	DVC
Diane	Dodd	DVC
Obed	Vazquez	DVC
Carrie	Sadighian	DVC
Sonja	Nilsen	DVC
Tim	Murphy	DVC
Ted	Shearer	DVC
Trinh	Nguyen	LMC
Debra	Winckler	LMC
Theodora	Adkins	LMC
Sylvia	Benzler	LMC
Abbey	Duldulao	LMC
Marie	Arcidiacono	LMC
Maria	Perrone	LMC
Julie	Lucca	LMC
Dennis	Gravert	LMC
Julie	Ashmore	LMC
Penny	Wilkins	LMC



District Partners With PG&E Climate Corp Fellow



District Office Energy & Environmental Associate Isaac Knipfing leads a discussion with DVC's sustainability committee.

he District has partnered with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) to welcome Isaac Knipfing as the new Energy & Environmental Associate. Since March 2017, Isaac has been participating in the Fellowship in Community College Sustainability (FiCCS), a division of Climate Corp, a professional development experience for emerging climate protection leaders funded by PG&E. Isaac joined the District's Facilities Planning Department team and will be continuing his fellowship through June 2018.

Isaac is managing energy conservation projects, as well as collaborating with students, faculty and staff within the District to support the development of sustainability goals and initiatives. He is currently managing three projects; the Los Medanos College Science Building laboratory fume hood occupancy sensor installation; remodeling upgrades to bathrooms at the District Office, and data centers lighting occupancy sensors installation.

Isaac is a native of Buffalo, New York, where he graduated from the State University of New York College with a Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Energy Management in May 2016. In the coming year, Isaac wishes to make himself a resource to the colleges, collaborating with students, faculty and staff to address pain points and help them realize their goals. "I'm here to help. I believe that there are many issues and challenges that the District faces that can be used as active learning opportunities for our students and can result in increased operational savings."

For more information on the PG&E Climate Corps program, please visit http://www.climate-corps.org/mission.html.

Board of Governors Welcome New Student Trustee from CCC

Contra Costa College (CCC) student Alexander B. Walker-Griffin has been appointed to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors. Walker-Griffin, who has been a student at CCC since 2016, has extensive experience as a public service intern. Walker-Griffin currently serves as CCC's Associated Student Union (ASU) president and is actively involved in the Contra Costa College Community Organizing and Political Action Club. He is a legislative affairs director for the Student Senate for California Community Colleges, Region III and a member of the West County Democratic Club, Democratic Party of Contra Costa County and the Gladeo League.

The California Community Colleges Board of Governors sets policy and provides guidance for the 72 districts and 114 colleges that constitute the system. The 17-member board is appointed by the Governor and formally interacts with state and federal officials and other organizations.



CCC's Alexander B. Walker-Griffin has interned at various public policy organizations, including Richmond City Council, Richmond Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Office of Congressman Mark DeSaulnier.





Please welcome the following new employees who were approved by the Governing Board in June and July.

Regular Managers

Location	Name	Title
CCC	Kenneth Sherwood	Vice President
LMC	Sharon Goldfarb	Associate Dean, Nursing and Allied Health
LMC	Chialin Hsieh	Senior Dean

Regular Academic Employees

CCC	Maritez Apigo	English
CCC	Kelly Cadungug	Counseling
CCC	Elaine Gerber	Learning Disabilities; Disabled Students
CCC	Mary Hernandez	Nursing
CCC	Jessica Le	Medical Assisting
CCC	Bashir Shah	Business
DVC	Kitran Colwell	Physics/Astronomy
DVC	John Fogli	Business
DVC	Carmina Quirarte	History
DVC	Glen Scott	Mathematics
DVC	Marlene Storz	Dental Technology
LMC	Jill Bouchard	Biological Sciences
LMC	Roy Hanks	Biological Sciences
LMC	Ryan Hiscocks	Political Science
LMC	Áprill Nogarr	English
LMC	Camille Santana	Counseling
LMC	Trinidad Zavala	Counseling

Regular Monthly Classified Employees

CCC	Jenna Hornbuckle	Office Assistant
DVC	Ashley Dondero	Office Assistant II
DVC	NaTisha Hutson	Minority Student Retention Specialist
DVC	Cynthia Perez-Nicholas	Student Services and Instructional Support Coordinator
DVC	Hanan Salman	Admissions/Records Assistant I
DVC	Kenneth Statham	Web Administrator, Senior
DVC	Maria Talavera	Admissions/Records Assistant I
LMC	Michael Campbell	Custodian II
LMC	Elizabeth Ramirez	Program Coordinator
LMC	Danna Tejada Baquero	Program Coordinator

Board Report

To review highlights of the Governing Board Meeting held on June 28, 2017, click on the link below:

http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board_reports/June%2028,%202017.pdf

To review highlights of the Governing Board Special Meeting held on July 15, 2017, click on the link below:

http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board reports/July%2015,%202017.pdf

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http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board_reports/July%2026,%202017.pdf

Cabinet Highlights

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The Contra Costa Community College District, founded in 1948 and governed by a publicly elected five-member board, is one of the largest multi-college community college districts in California. The mission of the District is to attract and transform students and communities by providing accessible, innovative and outstanding higher education learning opportunities and support services.

Contra Costa Community College District is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and campus life. The District does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, marital status, national origin, parental status, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status in any access to and treatment in College programs, activities, and application for employment.

