

# MONTEREY PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2016

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO MPC GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES November 16, 2016

#### **FUNDRAISING**

- 1. Total Monthly Donations Received in October 2016: To be reported at meeting.
- 2. President's Circle Campaign: The President's Circle (PC) campaign has raised \$131,820 so far this year.
- 3. **Grants:** So far in 2016, the Foundation has been awarded 15 grants, and has five others pending. We are currently in the process of developing an Awards for Innovation in Higher Education proposal, due in February 2017, and doing some advanced planning for a Title V grant that we expect to be due in Spring 2017. Most recently, our proposal to the Nancy Buck Ransom Foundation was funded in support of the Evans College Incentive Program.

In early November, the Monterey Peninsula Foundation conducted a site visit in response to our grant request to support the Child Development Center's proposed Outdoor Learning Classroom.

4. Other Fundraising Activities: The Foundation is preparing to send a year-end appeal to approximately 6,200 households in late November, 2017. We will also be featured in the Monterey County Weekly Gives! Campaign again this year, which runs November 10 through December 31, 2016. Gifts donated through this campaign will be matched; please visit <a href="https://www.montereycountygives.com/nonprofit/mpc/">www.montereycountygives.com/nonprofit/mpc/</a> for more information.

#### **EVENTS**

#### 1. Board & Volunteer Holiday Party

The Board is invited to attend the Foundation's annual Board & Volunteer Holiday Party at La Mirada on the evening of December 1, 2017. Invitations and more details will be sent via evite soon.

#### 2. Alumni Committee Holiday Dinner

The Board is invited to attend the Alumni Committee's Holiday Dinner on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 5:30pm at Fisherman's Grotto. More information will follow from the President's Office.

#### 3. Please Save the Date: 2017 President's Address to the Community

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual President's Address to the Community will take place on Friday, April 28, 2017 at the Monterey Marriott from 11:00am-1:30pm. More information will follow.

#### **COLLEGE SUPPORT**

#### 1. Evans College Incentive Program

The second group of Evans College Incentive program participants will receive another check (\$500/student) in November if they continue to meet all requirements. Both cohorts will receive checks at the beginning of the Spring semester following full-time enrollment. Due to the tremendous success of this program, we have secured funding commitments that will allow us to invite a third cohort of participants to begin in the 2017-2018 academic year.

#### ADMINISTRATION

- 1. The next Foundation Board Meeting will be Wednesday, December 7, 2016.
- 2. At the end of 2016, three board members will complete their terms on the Foundation Board of Directors: Nolan Kennedy, Bill Doolittle, and Sharon Larson. New Board members include Rob Lee, Dr. Linda Bynoe, and Ted Schneider.
- 3. The Foundation recently hired an MPC student intern, Sam Biede, who is studying accounting to assist with bookkeeping activities.

#### Governing Board Report for Student Services

Presented by:
Dr. Kim McGinnis, Vice President for Student Services
November 16, 2016

## Student Success & Equity

MPC Campus Tour - North Monterey County Middle School

College Night - College information session for Teamsters Union in Salinas

UC Achieve College Fair at Watsonville High School

MPC Campus tour - North Monterey County High School

College Fair - Monterey High School

MPC 7 Steps Enrollment Presentation – Central Coast

# Student Services TRIO/Student Support Services (SSS)

\* TRIO/Student Support Services (SSS) is a federal grant program, funded to serve 200 students. SSS is designed to assist first-generation and/or low-income students pursue a higher education through in depth academic advising, counseling-guidance, and academic support services. The goal of the program is to increase college retention, graduation, and transfer rates from the community college to a four-year institution.

#### Student Success

In preparation for the new BOGFW changes beginning Fall 2016, the SSS program implemented a "Student Success Program" in Spring 2016. 43 students were identified as being placed on academic and/or financial aid probation/dismissal. 3SP provided some funding to hire Heather Bowers to provide hours once a week to provide intrusive counseling strategies and time to coordinate and work with this high-risk group. Two workshops were scheduled for students to understand the implications of being on probation/dismissal, followed by an individual one-hour session to strategize solutions and identify resources to aid the student in getting back to good academic standing. At the end of the Summer 2016 term, we are happy to share that **24 out of the 43 students (55%) are no longer on probation/dismissal**. We are in the process of reaching out to the 19 students that are still on probation/dismissal, and scheduling them to meet with our Student Success Counselors.

We recently hired Janette Linares (SSS Adjunct Counselor), for this academic year to work directly with this identified high-risk group to continue the Student Success program. We already have two workshops scheduled for this month, the first one is scheduled for Friday, October 14th.

#### TRIO Learning Center (TLC) Updates:

The TLC provides academic support Monday through Friday to TRIO participants and by referral for EOPS/CARE students. SSS, our college program, utilizes the center from 9am -2pm, Monday -

Thursdays, and until 1pm on Fridays. Our pre-college programs, Upward Bound & Math/Science Upward Bound, utilize the TLC from 2:30pm - 7pm (M- Th). On Friday, October 7th SSS held our first "Student Learning Strategies" workshop in which five faculty members (Heather Craig, Merry Dennehy, Lynn Iwamoto, Tiffany Price, and Todd Ritsema) sat on a panel and gave the 13 students that were in attendance, tips and tricks for studying/doing well in a particular subject and/or any academic area in general. Both the students and faculty thought it was tremendously successful and everyone (including the professors) left having learned a few new studying techniques. We plan to to provide these workshops at least once or twice throughout the semester. We welcome any of our academic areas or Learning Center faculty/staff that would like to present at our future "Student Learning Strategies" workshops. Please contact our Lead Tutor, Torri Kling at <a href="tkling@mpc.edu">tkling@mpc.edu</a> for more information.

Overall, tutoring in the TLC is going quite well. We are seeing a lot of students using the TLC from about 9:30am - 12:30pm with a majority of students stopping by at least two to three days a week. There are currently 120 SSS students and 55 EOPS students, a total of 175 students enrolled in the TLC and utilizing tutorial and academic support services.

# "SSS Lobo Mixers"

Once a month, a "SSS Lobo Mixer" is held in the TLC for the last 1½ hrs for the SSS participants. The purpose of this event is to build community amongst the staff and participants in the program through interactive activities, workshops, guest speakers, etc. Since the start of the semester, there have been two "SSS Lobo Mixers" in the TLC. The first one took place in August and the theme was "Welcome Back" to celebrate the start of a new academic year, a total of 58 students attended the mixer. In September, another mixer was hosted to promote "Mindfulness and De-stress Techniques" with a yoga activity; a total of 35 students attended the mixer.

# **SSS Student Highlights**

Over the summer, one of our students had the opportunity to attend the Stanford Cardiothoracic Surgical Skills Internship at Stanford. It was a two-week intensive program that focused on hands on skills for cardiothoracic surgery.

# **SSS Peer Mentors**

A new component of the 2015-2020 SSS Grant is a Peer Mentor program. Jasmine Do, our SSS Instructional Specialist and Interim TLC Coordinator, is the lead for this program. This is an added component of the grant to increase retention and persistence rates of students in the program, as they work towards completing their graduation and transfer requirements. The average mentor to mentee ratio is 1:10. We have <u>8 Peer Mentors</u> and <u>76 Mentees</u> in the <u>2016-17 cohort</u>. <u>50 out of the 76 Mentees (65%) have met with their mentors</u>. We are very happy with this result! The goal is for the Peer Mentors to connect with their Mentees at least once a month. This month, we will be hosting an event on Halloween to give our new students (our Mentees) the opportunity to socialize with returning students in the program.

#### **Veteran's Center**

Boots to books

Tamale presale through November 18 (\$8 for ½ doz. and \$15 for doz.)

Veterans Transition Center sack lunch, Saturday, October 8, 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Sack lunch for veterans while they do their weekly clean up.

Disable American Veterans appreciation dinner, Wednesday, October 12, 5:00-7:00 pm. Appreciation dinner for DAV members who support the MPC Veterans Club.

Leadership Conference; Student veteran attended "Veteran Student" leadership conference, October 14-16, 2016.

Preparing for silent auction, a community even, December 3, 2016.

All funds raised, proceeds are for the purchase of graduation stoles and honor cords for graduating veterans.