President’s Report to the Governing Board
January 20, 2015

“Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow”

**Winter Wonder Jam**
Cuyamaca College’s Music Industry Studies placed the spotlight on local talent reminiscent of other music festivals with its mid-term Winter Wonder Jam. The production, held on December 12, was part of the final exam for students enrolled in the Music Industry Studies class. Department Chair, Mr. Taylor Smith, served as the emcee of the event. The evening concert provided students and local residents a chance to see what the music industry students have learned while going through the process of auditioning local bands and performing various duties of the music industry involved with the promotion of talent. A total of four musicians or groups were selected: Mockingbird, Feelgood, Barrie Dempsey, and Little Heroine.

**President’s Annual Holiday Luncheon**
The Student Center was alight with merriment at the annual President’s Holiday Luncheon. Faculty, staff, and administrators were treated to gourmet faire provided by Sodexo. The festivities were held on Thursday, December 11, from noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Student Center. During the luncheon, Sheriff’s Deputies Aaron Bailey, Mark Kelley, and Jerry Jimenez, and Sergeant Victor Perry, all received the Cuyamaca Way Award for their service to our college community.

**Continuing Education & Workforce Training**
The Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Training serves as the umbrella for many of the contract and grant-funded professional and vocational programs housed at Cuyamaca College. Many are regional programs funded to serve all of San Diego and Imperial Counties. Below is a brief summary of some of their recent activities:
Cuyamaca College’s two Workforce Innovation Partnership (WIP) Grants concluded on November 30. The grants provided the college with increased partnerships with K-12 schools related to sustainability and entrepreneurship, which were integrated into classroom and summer bridge program curriculum. The college also concluded two Industry Driven Regional Collaborative grants: 1) Sustainable Infrastructure, which provided the college with equipment, curriculum, outreach, and professional development for faculty, and provided industry training certifications for hundreds of students in CALCTP and EVITP; and 2) Sustainable Supply Chain Management, which provided the college with curriculum, industry
partnerships, and industry training certification for hundreds of students in project management, customer service, entrepreneurship, and LEED green building principles. Collaboration with SDG&E, the East County Economic Development Council, and the San Diego Workforce Partnership were all key to the success of these projects.

**Prop 39 Update:** The San Diego & Desert Region Prop 39 Directors joined resources to offer a one-day professional development opportunity to over 20 Career Technical Education (CTE) faculty from both regions. Held at Ponte Winery in Temecula (a certified sustainable winery), attendees learned about statewide energy trends from energy engineers from the Center for Sustainable Energy. The keynote speaker was Mr. Bernie Kotlier, Executive Director, at Sustainable Energy Solutions Labor Management Corporation.

**Matriculation Services to be Offered at Local High Schools**
The High School and Community Relations Department, in conjunction with Counseling Services, will be piloting a new program, *Cuyamaca’s Coyote Connection*, at our top feeder high schools starting in February and concluding in May 2015. *Coyote Connection* is a proactive approach that is designed to facilitate involvement in the matriculation services through a series of workshops that will be held in the comfort of a student’s own high school. This includes the college application, orientation, assessment, and advisement services. Seniors who complete all services will be eligible to receive priority registration for the Fall 2015 semester. Local high schools participating in this new program include Monte Vista, Mt. Miguel, Steele Canyon, Granite Hills, and Valhalla.

**Part-time Faculty Member is “Judge of the Year”**
The Honorable Eddie C. Sturgeon, a Superior Court Judge for the County of San Diego, is being honored as “Judge of the Year” by the Consumer Attorneys of San Diego (CASD) at their upcoming 56th Annual Awards and Installation Dinner on Thursday, February 12, 2015. Judge Sturgeon teaches part time in the Paralegal Studies Department. In 2013, Judge Sturgeon received the *Award for Teaching Excellence* for part-time faculty during the State-of-the-College Address.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**
*A complete list of college activities can be found on our website, [www.cuyamaca.edu](http://www.cuyamaca.edu)*

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**Athletics’ Home Games**

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Welcome Week Activities

Monday, January 26
Coffee & Donuts
9:00 to 10:30 a.m., Grand Lawn

Tuesday, January 27
Student Benefit Day
12:30 to 2:00 p.m., Grand Lawn

Wednesday, January 28
Student Organization Involvement Fair
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Grand Lawn

Thursday, January 29
Ping Pong Tournament
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 2nd Floor, Student Center

Friday, January 30
Lunch & Student Government meeting
12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Student Center, I-124

Learning about Filipino Culture & Traditions by Mr. Sam Besa
Tuesday, February 10
1:00 to 2:00 p.m.
Student Center, I-104