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Spring Developments

IPC Enrollment Forum

On March 7th, The Innovation and Planning Council (IPC) held its first-ever *Innovation and Planning Council Enrollment Forum*. The Forum was an opportunity for faculty and staff to brainstorm using the following questions:

- What would you suggest to improve the quality of the overall educational experience at Cuyamaca College?
- What strategies would you use to attract the community to the college?
- What strategies would you use to retain existing students?
- What strategies would you use to attract new students?

The forum was structured by assigning a facilitator for each question and participants divided into four groups. Each group had 10 minutes to brainstorm on each question before moving to the next station in the room. At the end of the brainstorming segment, forum participants listened to Jeopardy music as they con-

templated the most effective enrollment strategies for each question. The ideas with the most votes would be considered as part of the college's enrollment strategies. So, now that you know the process, here are the results.

There were **106** ideas submitted—many with sub-ideas, and the following are the top five favorites:

- Develop a guest lecture series
- Survey students who leave the college
- Develop an honors program
- Institute a shortened academic calendar
- Hold an open house event.

Now! Let's get to work on making these suggestions a reality!

Accreditation Update

The Cuyamaca College Student, Faculty and Staff Accreditation Surveys were completed and

the results were tabulated by the District Office of Institutional Research. The accreditation self-study standard committees will be reviewing survey results as they transition from the descriptive phase to evaluation and assessment. All teams are on course for completing initial drafts by the end of the spring semester.

College Policy & Procedure Committee

The College Policy & Procedure Committee is in the process of updating the college's Organizational & Governance Structures Manual. Changes to the manual will be forwarded to the Innovation & Planning Council for approval. Once approved, the updated manual will be posted to the college's website and hard copies will be forwarded to all departments and IPC members. You can print a copy of the manual directly from the college's website, should you desire a personal copy of the document.

The Charge...

Philosophy: Leadership through vision is the foundation for the planning and policy-making process at Cuyamaca College. The college engages all its members to ensure broad-based participation in college decision-making. This process assures that the college remains dynamic, futuristic and effective in meeting the educational needs of its community.

Overview of the Process: The Innovation and Planning Council is the recognized shared governance structure for the college. The Council will evolve, amend and guide the planning and policy-making process for the college.

The college's planning process provides a focus to mobilize and allocate its human, fiscal, technical and physical resources. The college's initiatives, both long-term and short-term, are defined, implemented, continuously reviewed, assessed, and updated to respond to the ever-changing needs of the student population and the demands of the external and internal environments. A three-year planning cycle is used to implement the Cuyamaca College Strategic Plan and the District Strategic Plan. An Annual Implementation Plan is developed by the Council using the Strategic Plan.

The college's policy-making process provides a constituency review of all college policies and committee structures.