

Weekly Update 10-12-18

Happy Friday! I hope you all had an enriching Flex Day on Wednesday. A special thank you to everyone who helped to plan the day, including the Professional Learning team, session presenters and our ITS and Facilities team.

Project Read Trivia Bee at Cañada College TONIGHT!!!!

The College is once again the host location for the <u>Project READ Trivia Bee</u>. The event will be held in the Main Theatre tonight at 6:30 p.m. For 27 years Redwood City Friends of Literacy (RCFOL) has supported Project READ Redwood City with its annual Trivia Bee. The Trivia Bee is RCFOL's method of raising funds for the award-winning volunteer-based Project READ literacy program housed at the Redwood City public Library. Project READ provides free literacy services to adults, youth and families.

New Position Proposal Deadline Extended

We have extended the deadline for the position proposal process. Completed <u>forms</u> should be submitted **no later than October 19**th to <u>VP Robinson</u> for instructional positions or <u>VP Perlas</u> for student services positions. The Planning and Budgeting Council (PBC) has set aside three sessions to accommodate the number of position proposals. Presentations and Discussion are scheduled for Oct. 30- Nov. 1.

Building 1 Update

The new Kinesiology & Wellness Building construction progress has temporarily slowed down due to the plan review and permit process taking longer at the Division of State Architects (DSA) office than originally expected. The District met with DSA and the contractor a couple of weeks ago to identify and resolve the issues causing the extended plan review. DSA has acknowledged that their office is experiencing high demand at this time and they've sent the plans out to a third party plan reviewer. This adds more time to the process. They also noted that the design is very complex compared to the new Science & Technology Building design requiring more design coordination and time to review and analyze the building details. The contractor and DSA are working diligently to have the plan review completed and the building permit issued within the next few weeks. Construction will begin on the foundations immediately upon receipt of the building permit.

Aligning our Planning and Budgeting

Our Flex Day session on Program Review was well attended. Folks learned about the new <u>TracDat</u> <u>Tool</u> and <u>NEW data dashboards</u> developed by Tracy Huang. Anyone in need of assistance in meeting the new, earlier deadline for Program Review and resource requests this year is welcome to contact the PRIE Office at <u>engelk@smccd.edu</u>.



Accreditation

We also had a great turn out of folks who worked collaboratively to shape the Quality Focus Projects that will be included in our Institutional Self Evaluation Report (ISER). Ten break-out groups shaped the topics identified by the ISER Ad Hoc Steering Committee and the PBC under the college priority: Identify barriers to student entry, persistence, and completion and address them systematically. Thanks also goes to our Standard II Team who facilitated great sessions and gathered feedback on that part of our ISER. All of the information, photos, and materials we gathered yesterday are posted online <u>here</u>.

USCEC Visit

On Wednesday, Dr. Robinson and I had the opportunity to speak with the delegates from US-China Exchange Council. Our guests had the opportunity to connect with members of the campus and District community, including representative from our International Student Center, STEM Center and Silicon Valley Intensive English Program (SVIEP). The group learned a lot and very much enjoyed their time on our campus.



Title IX Coordinator Update

In efforts to streamline Title IX communications with our District Title IX Coordinator, Cañada College has chosen to align its Title IX reporting structure with that of our sister colleges. Dr. Char Perlas, Interim Vice President of Student Services, is now serving as the Title IX Coordinator. All incidences relating to Title IX as well as ADA/504 should be reported to Dr. Char Perlas. For more information on Title IX and ADA/504, please visit:

https://canadacollege.edu/studentservices/sexual-misconduct.php and https://canadacollege.edu/studentservices/disability.php.



Students Invited to President's Luncheon

Our <u>Inaugural President's Luncheon</u> is less than two weeks away! As this fundraising event benefits our students, we would love for students to connect with community members and attend the luncheon. Free transportation and registration will be offered. Please send <u>Megan Rodriguez</u> <u>Antone</u> the names of the students who would like to attend by Thursday, October 17. This luncheon will bring community leaders together as a fundraiser to support the <u>Cañada College</u> <u>Promise Scholars Program</u>.

Enjoy your weekend!

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