Weekly Update 9-7-18

Planning and Budget Council Update (PBC):
Program Review Process
At PBC this week the Council heard a proposal to streamline the program review process this year (to meet the new timeline the group set last year). Members will be discussing it with their constituencies this week with a final decision due to be made at the next meeting on September 19. The proposal is attached.

Strategic Planning
PBC formed an ad hoc committee to help draft an annual Strategic Plan for this academic year. The group will bring a draft back to the PBC in October and intends to align its work closely with all of the College's existing plans as well as findings from the Accreditation Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) teams. If you are interested in contributing to this effort, please contact PBC Co-Chairs Hyla Lacefield or Jeanne Stalker. For more information, contact Dean Karen Engel, PRIE at engelk@smccd.edu.

Amazon Web Services (AWS)
Cañada College is currently developing a Cloud Computing Certificate in partnership with Amazon Web Services (AWS). This certificate will provide students with the industry-standard skills necessary to understand and develop applications for the cloud, including hardware and software requirements, storage and database management, and security. Based on curriculum already successfully implemented at Santa Monica College, this certificate is being developed by local faculty in computer science to provide students the skills they need to either transfer into a four-year degree or enter directly into the workforce. With an ambitious target of Fall 2019 for our first course offerings, keep an eye out for new computer science courses in the cloud!

Project Read Trivia Bee Join the Cañada Team
Shouting out for all Cañada Trivia Enthusiasts! Friday, October 12th at 6:30pm in our theater, the College is hosting the Project Read Trivia Bee. We are seeking two 3 person teams. Contact Leonor Cabrera for more information. Please contact Leonor Cabrera at cabreral@smccd.edu. 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. http://www.projectreadredwoodcity.org/bee.

Welcome Back Reception
I would like to thank the Canada College Community for coming-out and participating in the Welcome Back to School Reception on September 6th. Thank you for joining the faculty, staff and administrators of Canada over refreshments. Congratulations to Diva Ward who won the Classified raffle and received some goodies. Special thanks to Chrissy Molina, Debbie Joy and Barbara Bucton for assisting in the planning of the event. Thank you to McCarthy Construction for sponsoring the event.

Enjoy your weekend!

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