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## February 17, 2010

# **Chancellor's Chat**

New Antenna being installed for KVCR near the new Media and Communications News from the District Office Building

Bruce Baron, Acting Chancellor (Ext. 4021)

### Dear Jackie,

Happy February 17, 2010:

I hope you had a restful four day weekend and enjoyed time with family, friends and favorite activities. I took my fifteen year old son to see the remake of *The Wolfman*. I am no movie critic but I was very disappointed. As a real Universal horror film fan I will take the original version with Lon Chaney, Jr. anyday. The remake was very violent and had some strange plot additions. So much for movie critiques.

We had a very productive Board of Trustees meeting last Thursday. The Board was very impressed with a group of Crafton Hills students who reenacted the "tombstone" demonstration that took place on that campus last week. Each tombstone had the name of a cancelled class. The Board members empathized with the students about the difficulties that cut classes cause in program completion.

## This Weeks News

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## **Quick Links**

Bond projects, costs, and schedules.

## Save the Dates

## **District Budget Committee**

Thursday March 11, 2pm in PDC 104

#### **Resource Allocation Committee**

Monday Feb. 22, 1pm Room TBD District Strategic Planning Friday Feb. 26, 10am, ATTC Friday March 12, 10am, ATTC

**District Assembly** 

Tuesday March 2, 3pm, PDC 104

## **Rumor Control**

What is the status of the proposed parking permit price increases?

A number of SBCCD students will join students from across the state in the March in March demonstration in front of the State Capital to protest further budget cuts to education. Let's hope our political leaders hear the students' message.

Have a great "short" week.

Bruce Baron Acting Chancellor 909-382-4021

# \$4.3 Million Grant Comes to SBCCD

\$4.3 Million Grant Awarded -- Southern
California Logistics Technology Collaborative

SBCCD is the lead District and fiscal agent for a federal Department of Labor grant totaling \$4.3 million to improve logistics workforce skills along the logistics corridor between Long Beach and Los Angeles ports through to Riverside and San Bernardino distribution centers. The grant was written by Dr. Marshall Gartenlaub in conjunction with Dr. Matthew Isaac.

The project is based on employee skills enhancement that will increase the performance of logistics companies along this strategic corridor, which handles more goods than any other intermodal logistics complex in the U.S. This will benefit the strength, innovative capacity, and global competitiveness of the entire regional economy. It will also open up higher-skilled higher-paying jobs for individuals in this region by equipping them with industry-recognized, nationally portable certifications.

The **S**outhern **C**alifornia **L**ogistics **T**echnical **C**ollaborative brings together strategic partners including a wide range of businesses and associations in the Logistics, Distribution, and Transportation industries, the workforce system and community based organizations. The collaborative goals are to recruit and train over 500 entry level workers and more than 900 workers with advanced technology skills for the

The increase in the cost of parking permits for students and staff to \$40 in the Fall and Spring semesters and \$20 in the Summer semester (\$100 annually) was brought to the District Assembly in February for discussion. The members voted to bring the issue to their constituency group members to receive input.

The increase is being recommended to cover the full cost of maintaining, cleaning, lighting, and securing the parking lots on campus which is required by law to be paid from parking fees. This would "free-up" money in the General Fund to cover the cost of more classes, supplies, etc.

We sure have alot of input! The next step is to have another discussion at the March 2, 2010 District Assembly meeting. That body will make a recommendation to the Chancellor about the parking permit as well as other fees.

So, in summary,

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logistics industries and provide industry recognized certifications for program completers. With high unemployment throughout the urban areas of Los Angeles and neighboring counties this collaborative will serve a large minority population and low socioeconomic regions.

there is no final decision as of yet and we will have additional dialogue in March. If a decision is made to bring to the Board it would most likely be in April with a Summer 2010 implementation.

# **District Receives Good Audit Reports**

At the Board meeting last week, the Board received the annual audit reports for the District and for the Proposition 39 Bond funds. The reports were for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. In both cases the District received "unqualified" audits meaning there were no major problems with the audit or the District's management of its financial resources.

The auditors noted a few areas in which the District and the campuses can improve internal controls and we have already been working on correcting these findings. Deborah Crowley, who is a with the audit firm of Eadie and Payne stated to the Board that the management findings this year were much fewer than past years and she commended the progress the District has made.

Additionally, Ms. Crowley also stated in reference to the Proposition 39 Bond audit that all of the bond proceeds were appropriately spent for construction planning and Measure P related activities.

# **Other District Office News**

# **District Returns "Held" Money**

Some time ago staff was asked to make a voluntary payroll deduction to allow them to become accustomed to making contributions to the health benefits. These funds were never utilized for the purposes intended and were sitting in the County Treasury for over a year. We made a decision to return all of those

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funds to the owners, with interest applied. I hope that you have received your payment already either through the payroll system (if deductions were made with pre-tax dollars) or the accounts payable system (if deductions were made with after tax dollars).

## **Resource Allocation Committee**

On February 22, 2010 at 1:00 p.m., the Resource Allocation Committee will review a draft version of the new budget model.

The Committee has been working for months to identify the best practices of other multi-campus districts and to determine the elements of a sound budget model. All of this work culminates in an example of how the new model would work using actual budgets for the District and the colleges. The Committee will review the model, suggest changes, and later this spring take the model back to their constituent groups for input. The work of the Resource Allocation Committee also includes the development of a Human Resources Plan which is being accomplished under the direction of Vice Chancellor Renee Brunelle. This work grew out of a recommendation by the Accreditation Commission.

Let me know how the District Office can help to support you in the important work that you do for our students.

Sincerely,

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