

President's Weekly Report to the Board of Trustees

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June 14, 2019

Mission:

Focusing on the education and workforce development needs of communities in the Salinas Valley, Hartnell College strengthens communities by providing opportunities for students to reach career and/or academic goals (associate degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer to four-year institutions) in an environment committed to student learning, achievement and success.

Public forums scheduled June 20 for three presidential finalists

The Hartnell Community College District Governing Board has scheduled three consecutive public forums on June 20 for finalists for the position of superintendent/president, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and concluding at 4:20 p.m.

Members of the Hartnell Campus Community and the general public are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate.

The forums will be held in Steinbeck Hall, located in the Student Center (Building C) on the Main Campus. Doors will open by 1:15 p.m. The 50-minute sessions will begin promptly at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m.

The finalists will briefly introduce themselves before responding to audience questions.

The three are pictured in the order of the forum schedule:

- 1:30-2:20 p.m.: Dr. Anthony (Tony) Kinkel, executive director of the Minnesota State Board for School Administrators
- 2:30-3:20 p.m.: Dr. Patricia Hsieh, president of San Diego Miramar College
- 3:30-4:20 p.m.: Dr. Peter Maphumulo, executive vice president for instruction and student services at Victor Valley College

More information on the finalists is available here. Videos of the individual presentations and their responses to questions will be shared as soon as possible following the public forums. The district Governing Board will continue the search process by interviewing the finalists on June 21 as they continue to work toward completing the appointment this summer.







Hartnell receives \$500,000 grant to elevate online programs

The California Community Colleges System has awarded Hartnell College \$500,000 to refine and expand online course offerings in its Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs and encourage more students to complete them. The system notified Hartnell of the grant amount on June 14.



Money for the project, called Ready|Set|Go, will pay for additional instructors and support staff, equipment and other operating costs. Funding will also support use of free or low-cost textbook options for online classes, further reducing expenses for Hartnell students.

"This grant will allow us to serve students in new and important ways," said Dr. Sonja Lolland, vice president of academic affairs. "Online courses open the door to students whose jobs or other commitments prevent them attending classes on campus. With this additional support, we can deliver those opportunities more effectively than ever."

Hartnell is among 70 recipients of the Online CTE Pathways grant funds and it will get the maximum funding allowed within the competitive initiative, administered by the state community college system's California Virtual Campus program. Hartnell scored 29 out of a maximum 30 points on its grant application, based on such criteria as project feasibility and alignment with the goals of the statewide community college system.

Congressman Panetta Joined Hartnell for Hispanic Ed Forum on June 14

Preparing for continued rapid growth of the Hispanic/Latinx student population in both higher education and K-12 schools was the focus of Hartnell's second annual Forum for Hispanic Serving Institutions on June 14.

I provided a brief welcome, noting Hartnell's decision several years ago to establish the position of director of Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) initiatives, held by Moises Armendariz. We have seen many other institutions adopt a similar approach.



We were pleased to have as speakers Dr. David Ortiz, senior vice president and chief operationg officer from the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU), and Luis Maldonado, the organization's chief advocacy officer. Likewise, we were honored to be joined by U.S. Rep. Jimmy Panetta, who also spoke and joined me and the HACU representatives and on a question-and-answer panel. (Pictured, from left, are Armendariz, Panetta, Ortiz, Maldonado and me.)



Attending the half-day event in Steinbeck Hall were colleagues from the five other HIS colleges and universities in Panetta's congressional district: Monterey Peninsula, Gavilan and Cabrillo colleges; California State University, Monterey Bay; and the University of California, Santa Cruz. Representatives from several K-12 districts in the Hartnell district also participated.

MPC holds farewell reception for outgoing superintendent/president

I attended a farewell reception for retiring Monterey Peninsula College Superintendent/President Dr. Walt Tribley on June 13.

As he spoke during the event at the MPC Library, Dr. Tribley mentioned the collaboration among the presidents of Hartnell, MPC and California State University, Monterey Bay.

He noted that we all started our positions in the 2012-13 academic year, and we formed strong



friendships and partnerships right away. Dr. Tribley (pictured, center) will begin his new position as president of Northern Wyoming Community College District in Sheridan, Wyo., on July 1.

TRiO Summer Bridge prepares incoming freshmen for success

A group of 84 first-generation students from throughout the Salinas Valley on June 10-14 completed a weeklong Summer Bridge orientation designed to prepare them for success during their first year at Hartnell College and beyond.

Organized and presented by TRiO/Student Support Services (TRiO/SSS) at Hartnell, Summer Bridge is now in its fourth year. It's a fast-paced and highly scheduled experience that includes briefings on student support programs, focused campus tours and interactive team-building and leadership activities.

On June 17, the students began a sixweek Counseling 1 course that will deepen their knowledge about Hartnell and increase their readiness to earn a degree and either transfer to a four-year university or begin a career.

Norma Nichols, a counselor with TRiO/SSS, said helping first-generation students connect with one another and with staff is crucial because often they do not have anyone at home who has experienced college.

"If they can make a connection with a teacher, a mentor or a counselor – somebody at the campus who they feel

comfortable with - research has shown they are less likely to drop out."

Director Dr. Manuel Bersamin talks with a "Magic Circle" on June 14.)

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(Pictured: Students participate in a team-building rope activity on June 11, and TRiO





Walker and Anderson attend Institute to prep for Umoja

Laurencia Walker, director of student affairs for college readiness, and Counselor Tony Anderson attended a June 10-14 summer institute in Irvine to prepare for establishment of the Umoja student engagement program at Hartnell next year.

They joined 250 Umoja educators from across the California Community Colleges
System for immersive training in philosophy, pedagogy, theoretical foundations and best practices based on the Umoja Community model, which aims to improve the educational experiences of African American and other students.



The Hartnell Community College District Governing Board voted May 7 to approve Hartnell's partnership with Umoja, which already has programs at many California colleges.

Dr. Lofman presents on building op plan within strategic planning

Dr. Brian Lofman, dean of institutional planning, research and effectiveness, presented June 10 at Nuventive's 12th Annual Users Conference in Pittsburgh, Pa., on the topic, "How to build an integrated operational plan within a strategic planning framework," referring to Hartnell's approach to integrated planning for its shared vision of student success.

The conference featured keynote speakers Scott Jaschik, editor of Inside Higher Ed, who spoke on the biggest challenges facing higher education, and Rob Curtin, director, Microsoft Worldwide Public Sector Higher Education, who presented, "Swipe right on learning: consumer experiences set student expectations and shape higher education transformation."

Conference presentations also showcased Nuventive's forward-looking product market vision and technology.

Hartnell and West Valley Educators present panel at GlobalMindED in Denver

Dr. Celine Pinet, dean of academic affairs for curriculum and instructional support, on June 5 gave a panel presentation at the GlobalMind Ed Conference in Denver with Hartnell colleagues Ashton Clarke, associate director of philanthropy for the Hartnell

College Foundation, and Dr. Hortencia Jimenez, Hartnell sociology instructor, as well as West Valley College President Bradley Davis and Trustee Adrienne Grey.

Their presentation, part of a strand on Growing Global Competencies, was titled "How to Move the Needle for Globally Competent Workforce Innovative Partnerships and Funding Strategies."

The annual conference draws more than 1,000 attendees from around the world, including students and staff from 30 colleges and universities.



Spotlight on fire and fire alarms as National Safety Month continues

Kenneth Laird, director of public safety and emergency management, invites the greater Hartnell community to consider several key injury-prevention reminders during National Safety Month throughout June.



This week's focus is on awareness of fire safety and response to fire alarms. Hartnell

regularly tests its fire alarm system and strives to notify employees in advance when an alarm test will be occurring within their building.

Whenever an alarm is triggered with no prior announcement of testing or other maintenance, building occupants should immediately go outside to an open area on campus, Laird said, bringing only personal belongings they can quickly grab. Even when an alarm is accidentally or intentionally triggered without cause, the Salinas Fire Department is obligated to respond and clear the building before occupants can return.

Laird reminded employees to be mindful of potential fire hazard from excessive plugs in a single outlet as well as misuse of microwave ovens.

To share a safety concern on campus, call the non-emergency line at (831) 770-7001 or the emergency line at (831) 755-6888.

Employee graduations

We congratulate our colleagues on these additional employee relative graduations.

Please send any remaining items from spring 2019 to sfaust@hartnell.edu
for publication in coming weeks.



Name: Silas Glazier Relation: Son

School: Millennial Charter High School

Attending Hartnell College to pursue a transfer degree in history

Isaura Arreguin, program assistant II, College Pathways



Name: Chelsea Salinas Arreguin

Relation: Daughter

School: Creekside Elementary, continuing at

Harden Middle School

Name: Heidi Salinas Arreguin

Relation: Daughter

School: Creekside Elementary, continuing in first grade



In the News

HACU staff to speak at Hispanic Serving Institutions Forum at Hartnell

College: https://www.hacu.net/NewsBot.asp?MODE=VIEW&ID=3061

Ruelas on a runners' high: https://gilroydispatch.com/2019/06/12/ruelas-on-a-runners-high/

Upcoming Events

Note: All event locations are on the Main Campus in Salinas unless otherwise noted.

Summer and Fall 2019 Registration

Continuing Students and New Matriculating Students

Fall through Aug. 11

"The Miracle Worker"

The Western Stage
June 1-22
Mainstage Theater

CalPERS on the Road: "Planning Your Retirement"

9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Register at <u>calpers.ca.gov</u> June 19 West Wing Conference Room Salinas City Hall 200 Lincoln Ave.

"Little Women"

The Western Stage
June 22-July 13
Mainstage Theater