PCC Logo**PASADENA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**President’s Latino Advisory Committee (PLAC)**

**Mission:** *To enhance the success of Latino students at PCC*

# **Committee Minutes**

**Wednesday, September 18, 2019**

*Members Present*: C. Altamirano, A. Boekelheide, A. Chavez, E. Endrijonas, R. Martinez, M. Mares-Tamayo, S. Murga, C. Olivo, H. Rodriguez

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Meeting called to order at 10:13AM.

1. **Approval of Minutes: August 21, 2019 (No Quorum/Item Tabled)**
2. **President’s Report (Erika Endrijonas)**
   1. Endrijonas has been invited to speak about leadership, Pasadena City College (“PCC”) and the college’s focus points for the future at numerous rotary events in nearby communities.
      1. PCC’s budget remains strong with a 18% reserve.
      2. Completing the Educational Master Plan (EMP) and the Facilities Master Plan (FMP) are current focus points of the college. The FMP process started in 2014, but was later abandoned in 2016. HGA Consultants have been contracted to recommence the process. Both plans will be presented to the committee for feedback.
   2. The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (“ACCJC”) evaluation team will be visiting PCC in March of 2021; the goal is to be deemed 100% compliant.
   3. The PCC Foundation recently approved its Strategic Plan with a strong focus on students and sponsorships.
   4. Upon request, the hiring statistics for the last 5 years was distributed.



1. **Reports**
2. **LatinX (Hispanic) Heritage Celebration** (Altamirano & Mares Tamayo)
   * 1. All of the events are now updated on the [ALE website](https://pasadena.edu/faculty-and-staff/ale/index.php) and ALE hopes to continue its celebration by holding events on a monthly basis.
     2. On October 15th, ALE will provide a presentation at the Board of Trustees meeting to report out on the many celebrations and highlight the successes of the culture.
     3. Mares-Tamayo distributed the LatinX Heritage Month flyer and a timeline of PCC’s LatinX history.

 

1. **Latino Heritage Parade** - The [Latino Heritage Parade and Festival](https://www.visitpasadena.com/events/latino-heritage-festival/) will be held on Saturday, October 19th from 11:00AM to 4:00PM at the Villa Parke Community Center.
2. **Pathways** (Altamirano)- 2,821 students completed the necessary FYE Program requirements; 1,464 were LatinX students and 989 are in the district. The highest number of students were from Arcadia High School with 219 followed by Temple City High School with 174. To successfully complete the program, students must complete all the [requirements](https://pasadena.edu/academics/support/pathways/for-students/index.php).
3. **CORE Program** (Olivo)- This [program](https://pasadena.edu/academics/support/core/index.php) received a grant from the Chancellor’s Office and is specifically designed to assist formerly incarcerated and system impacted students enrolling at PCC. A total of 20 students have signed up with an additional 15 students currently being scheduled.
4. **Adelante Young Men Conference** (Murga)**-** The [conference](https://www.adelanteya.org/index.php/adelante-conferences/adelante-young-men-conference) will take place on Saturday, October 26th at Pasadena City College. There are about 70 workshop presentations and nearly 1500 students attending. Ray Rodriguez will be the keynote speaker this year.
5. Murga reported that the summer Introduction to College course went well and another course is currently being scheduled with the assistance of Armando Duran. Mental health first aide training courses are now being offered to teachers and parents. Adelante is looking to serve more youth and expand services.
6. Chavez reported on the afterschool dual reenrollment classes being offered at John Marshall High School; two sign language courses and one media course.
7. [**Lancer Pantry**](https://pasadena.edu/campus-life/lancer-pantry/index.php) (Olivo)- the pantry will be offering an additional service called Lancer Bites where messages will be sent out to students alerting them of locations on campus with extra food leftover from events or meetings; students can simply go and grab a plate of food and food won’t go to waste.
8. **Announcements**
   1. Michaela Mares-Tamayo made an announcement of multiple events taking place on campus in the upcoming weeks. There have been discussions with the equity committee regarding student participation; in the current political climate, some students are not participating because they are worried some events will be a target for undocumented students. PCC is currently in the process of hiring a coordinator for the equity center (a new name is under discussion).
   2. Boekelheide announced that PCC will be participating in census and the March 2020 election; PCC will be hosting a neighborhood voting center on campus in March of 2020 for multiple days in the Circadian. There will be a lot of outreach through PCC student clubs and student services programs.
   3. Rodriguez, district representative from Assemblymember Chris Holden’s office, announced that there are still some bills, such as [AB30 College and Career Access Pathways partnership,](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB30) sitting on the governor’s desk with an October 13th deadline. More updates to provide at the next meeting.
9. **Adjourn: 11:20AM**