**PASADENA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

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

**Wednesday, March 20, 2019, 2018 10:00AM**

**Start time: 10:11am**

1. Welcome and Introductions around the table
2. Approval of Minutes: **(Approved)**
3. President’s Report (Erika Endrijonas)
	1. The President has now had the opportunity to meet members of the community, PLAC, PAAPI, TABE, and will be meeting with PAAAC in the upcoming weeks. We had a successful turnout at our office hours at the Foothill campus and are working on making some changes of possibly adding a study room and working on having some food at that campus. The President also went on a tour of the NW Campus (John Muir) and some ideas of renovating and creating a teaching kitchen in a classroom at the high school.
	2. Erika also attended her first foundation meeting. The $10 million-dollar campaign is almost over and $15 million dollars has been raised. It has been a successful campaign.
	3. Some challenging news is that the State is wanting to cut the budget by 5%. 2 reasons, 1. Property tax and 2. Transition to a student center funding formula has proven to be more expensive than the state planned for.
	4. The Sarafian building is still not on the list of fully funded buildings. The Dept. of Finance is steadfast that PCC should pay $8-10 million dollars as a local match to get funding for the Sarafian Building. We are in actively advocating with our Legislators.
	5. The CCLC is currently arranging an Advocacy Day for the President and however many Trustees would like to accompany her in order to knock on doors and speak with Legislators.
4. Reports
	1. **-(Cynthia’s Report)-** Student Services was awarded a $150,000 grant to support former incarcerated students.

-There was also another grant proposal submitted to replicate another successful program from New York, called the ASAP Program. It’s effectiveness in assisting students to complete community college in a great time frame. Applied for a $150,000 grant to have a cohort of 165 students and we were awarded the funds.

-Working on student equity and achievement program plan. Due June 30th to State. Michaela is leading on this and she co-chairs the Student Success Committee. Cynthia mentioned that everything is going well and are off to a good start this year.

* 1. **(Michaela’s Report)-** Equity work: Michaela spoke about the goals that need to be put towards better serving our students in community college. Goals include closing equity gap completely over a ten-year period and local goals that colleges are asked to specifically asked to set.
	2. **(Tito’s Report)-** PLAC Scholarship dinner: May 21st in Creveling Lounge. There are still a few details to be worked out for the Keynote Speaker, but they do have someone in mind. The PLAC Website is in the works for people to go online to donate.
1. Around the Table
	1. There is a new program at Marshall called “Ayudame” which is a way to help with English learners. There has been an improvement in grades with English and Math. Due to this success Ana suggested connecting PCC students with Marshall students.
	2. There was a flyer passed around in regards to workshops about mental health. These workshops will be in Spanish.
	3. Dodger night will be on May 7th. Tickets will be $40 and there will be ALE T-Shirts.
	4. Pathways Program will be having an Open House on May 22nd
	5. The Annual Job fair will be on May 23rd
2. Announcements
	1. Cynthia Olivo elected as Community Marshal at the 21st Pasadena Latino Heritage Parade and Festival on October 19th, 2019 (Flyer passed out by Kristi Lopez)
3. **Adjourn 11:15am**